



Washington Academy of Physician Assistants

# WAPA's 2nd PA Lobby Day

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

## Governor Hotel

621 Capitol Way S. ■ Olympia WA 98501

**S**ave the date and join us in Olympia on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 to discuss the future of your practice and profession with your legislators. Last year, our bill (SB 5411) did not make it out of the Senate healthcare committee.

### We need to reform PA practice laws in Washington state.

Our goals are to remove outdated policies and procedures to allow PAs to provide care to their patients without unnecessary barriers.

### We must act now!

- Medical practice has changed, threatening the viability of PA practice. Medical employers are rejecting PAs because of the “burden” and “liability” of supervising PAs.
- Community health centers cannot hire PAs because physicians have reached the maximum ratio of PAs they can supervise.
- There is a payment disparity with NPs and PAs without precedent nationwide.
- PAs face stark financial barriers to employment in occupational medicine.

It's time for Optimal Team Practice (OTP) and to REMOVE delegation agreements required with the Medical Commission.

We need to EMPOWER physicians to choose the best people for the team with delegation determined at the practice level; through a credentials committee or other mechanism.

We need to PROMOTE patient access to high-quality care by releasing PAs from overly restrictive practice requirements.

An agenda and your legislative appointments will be emailed to you approximately 1 week prior to PA lobby day.

WAPA will set your legislative appointments once you RSVP. Your appointment times and locations will be emailed to you with driving directions approximately 1 week prior to February 5, 2020.

Parking is free at the Governor Hotel and the hotel is within walking distance to the Capitol. Please wear comfortable shoes. The dress code at the Capitol and this event is business attire. Please bring your white coat for this event.

If you have any questions, please contact WAPA at: [LMK@wsma.org](mailto:LMK@wsma.org) or call (206) 956-3624.



■ Will you join us this legislative session?     Yes!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ CLINIC/ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

■ Address for legislative district and appointments:

STREET: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

■ Coffee and a continental breakfast will be provided, along with a box lunch.

Lunch option:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Parmesan Chicken Salad      | <input type="checkbox"/> Roast Beef Sandwich          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey w/guacamole Sandwich | <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh Garden Veggie Sandwich |