



American College of  
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# POLICY STATEMENT

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## State Board of Medicine Regulation of Non-Physician Practitioners Practicing Medicine

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The American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP):

- advocates that physicians and non-physician practitioners who engage in the practice of medicine should be licensed and regulated by state medical licensing and regulatory boards;
- supports that physician assistants should be licensed and regulated under the oversight of state medical licensing and regulatory boards;
- opposes legislative efforts to establish autonomous regulatory boards meant to license and regulate physician assistants outside of state medical licensing and regulatory boards' authority and purview; and
- supports that certified nurse practitioners, certified registered nurse anesthetists certified nurse midwives, and clinical nurse specialists should be licensed and regulated jointly by state medical and nursing boards.