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## MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

### REQUEST FOR A TEMPORARY LICENSE FOR ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT

NAME OF APPLICANT: (Please print): \_\_\_\_\_

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Supervisor complete this section:

#### AFFIDAVIT OF SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN

My signature below indicates that I request that a temporary license to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant in the State of Wisconsin be issued to the applicant named above. My signature indicates that I agree to assume supervisory responsibility for the practice of the anesthesiologist assistant under the terms of Wis. Stat. § 448.22. I have read the following and understand legal and practice requirements of an anesthesiologist assistant who is a temporary licensee. I am aware that, for the Department's purposes, it will be my responsibility to insure that the practice of any temporary licensee under my supervision does not place any patient at unacceptable risk of harm, and that the practice of the temporary licensee under my supervision complies with any and all legal requirements. I understand that any failure on my part to fulfill the obligations of competent and legal supervision could result in disciplinary action against my license to practice medicine and surgery.

**Requirements of a temporary license to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.04(1)(g) are as follows:**

- The board may issue a temporary license to a person who meets the requirements under s. 448.05 (5w) and who is eligible to take, but has not passed, the examination under s. 448.05 (6).
- A temporary license expires on the date on which the board grants or denies an applicant permanent licensure or on the date of the next regularly scheduled examination required under s. 448.05 (6) if the applicant is required to take, but has failed to apply for, the examination.
- An applicant who continues to meet the requirements for a temporary license may request that the board renew the temporary license, but an anesthesiologist assistant may not practice under a temporary license for a period of more than 18 months.

**Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.05(5w), requirements for a license to practice as an anesthesiologist assistant are as follows:**

- A bachelor's degree.
- Satisfactorily completion of an anesthesiologist assistant program that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, or by a predecessor or successor entity.
- A passing score on the certifying examination administered by, and obtained active certification from, the National Commission on Certification of Anesthesiologist Assistants or a successor entity.

**448.22 Anesthesiologist assistants. (1)** In this section, "supervision" means the use of the powers of direction and decision to coordinate, direct, and inspect the accomplishments of another, and to oversee the implementation of the anesthesiologist's intentions.

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(2) An anesthesiologist assistant may assist an anesthesiologist in the delivery of medical care only under the supervision of an anesthesiologist and only as described in a supervision agreement between the anesthesiologist assistant and an anesthesiologist who represents the anesthesiologist assistant's employer. The supervising anesthesiologist shall be immediately available in the same physical location or facility in which the anesthesiologist assistant assists in the delivery of medical care such that the supervising anesthesiologist is able to intervene if needed.

(3) A supervision agreement under sub. (2) shall do all of the following:

(a) Describe the supervising anesthesiologist.

(b) Define the practice of the anesthesiologist assistant consistent with subs. (2), (4), and (5).

(4) An anesthesiologist assistant's practice may not exceed his or her education and training, the scope of practice of the supervising anesthesiologist, and the practice outlined in the anesthesiologist assistant supervision agreement. A medical care task assigned by the supervising anesthesiologist to the anesthesiologist assistant may not be delegated by the anesthesiologist assistant to another person.

(5) An anesthesiologist assistant may assist only the supervising anesthesiologist in the delivery of medical care and may perform only the following medical care tasks as assigned by the supervising anesthesiologist:

(a) Developing and implementing an anesthesia care plan for a patient.

(b) Obtaining a comprehensive patient history and performing relevant elements of a physical exam.

(c) Pretesting and calibrating anesthesia delivery systems and obtaining and interpreting information from the systems and from monitors.

(d) Implementing medically accepted monitoring techniques.

(e) Establishing basic and advanced airway interventions, including intubation of the trachea and performing ventilatory support.

(f) Administering intermittent vasoactive drugs and starting and adjusting vasoactive infusions.

(g) Administering anesthetic drugs, adjuvant drugs, and accessory drugs.

(h) Implementing spinal, epidural, and regional anesthetic procedures.

(i) Administering blood, blood products, and supportive fluids.

(j) Assisting a cardiopulmonary resuscitation team in response to a life threatening situation.

(k) Participating in administrative, research, and clinical teaching activities specified in the supervision agreement.

(L) Supervising student anesthesiologist assistants.

(6) An anesthesiologist who represents an anesthesiologist assistant's employer shall review a supervision agreement with the anesthesiologist assistant at least annually. The supervision agreement shall be available for inspection at the location where the anesthesiologist assistant practices. The supervision agreement may limit the practice of an anesthesiologist assistant to less than the full scope of practice authorized under sub. (5).

(7) An anesthesiologist assistant shall be employed by a health care provider, as defined in s. 655.001 (8), that is operated in this state for the primary purpose of providing the medical services of physicians or that is an entity described in s. 655.002 (1) (g), (h), or (i). If an anesthesiologist assistant's employer is not an anesthesiologist, the employer shall provide for, and not interfere with, an anesthesiologist's supervision of the anesthesiologist assistant.

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Signature and Title Supervising Anesthesiologist

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Agency/Department

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Print Name and WI License Number

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Street Address

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Date