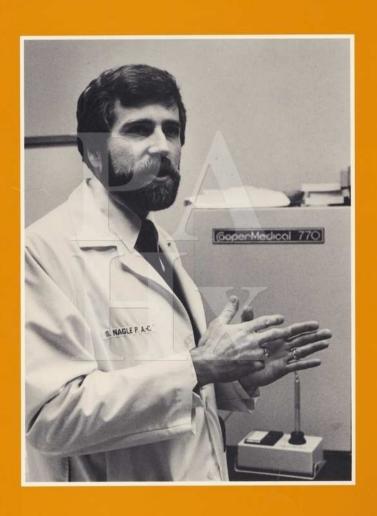


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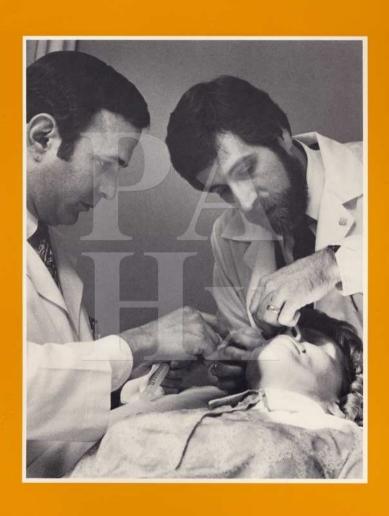
### A DEFINITION

The physician assistant, working dependently under the supervision of a physician, is a vital member of the health care team... providing a broad range of health care services, and dedicated to

- increasing accessibility to high quality health care.
- providing comprehensive health care services.
- enhancing the atmosphere of caring & trust among patients, families and the health care team.
- improving the continuity of patient care within the system.

The physician assistant has become a vital member of the primary health care team.





### PRACTICE PROFILE OF THE TYPICAL PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT.

- 79% of PAs provide primary care ... regardless of setting.
- 85% of PAs have their own patient load.
- 23 patients per day are seen by the average PA.2
- 57% of those patients are seen by the PA ... alone.
- 21 prescriptions per day are written by the average PA.¹
- 38% of PAs declare themselves as Early Majority in the Drug Adoption Sequence ... vs 26% for Primary Care physicians. (GP/IM/DO).

"... the high prescribing PA can represent more sales potential than the average or low volume prescribing Primary Care physician."

- 1. Beta Research, 1980.
- Survey of Physician Assistants
   Pharmatech Systems, Inc.
   June, 1981
- The Physician Assistant Study Fisher-Stevens, Inc.
   Data Services Division, March 1983

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## DEGREE OF RESPONSIBILITY

- 76% of the patients seen by the PA are diagnosed without assistance from the physician.
- 62% of patient therapeutic management is established by the PA without assistance from the physician.
- 85% of PAs have their own patient load.
- 78% of prescriptions written by the PA are written without the co-signature of the physician.

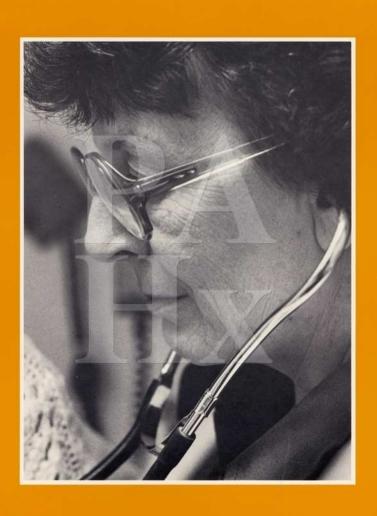
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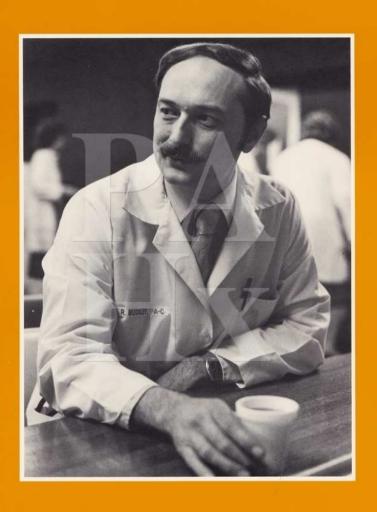
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- Upper Respiratory Infection Diabetes
- Otitis
- Urinary Tract Infection
- CHF/Coronary
- Lower Back Syndrome
- Fracture
- Fungus

- Pneumonia
- Dermatitis/Acne
- Bronchitis
- Angina
- Sprains
- Depression

The physician assistant delivers primary care.

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# **PA vs MD**

#### Prescriptions per week

PA	MD
11.7	10.4
7.6	9.2
7.6	10.7
8.6	12.4
5.1	9.3
5.4	6.9
10.6	10.4
9.9	7.9
10.7	10.1
8.0	7.8
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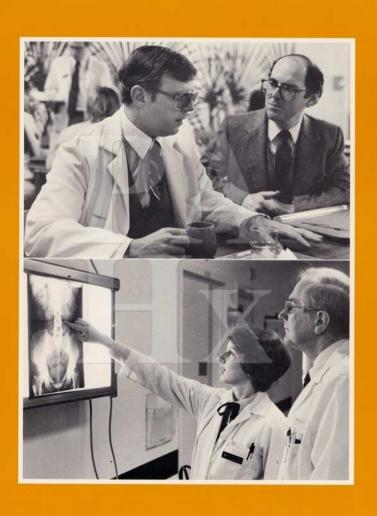
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## DRUG REP COVERAGE OF THE PA.

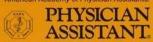
- 60% of PAs see one or fewer drug reps per week ... vs 50% of the Primary Care physicians, who see 3 or more reps per week.¹
- 1/3 of PAs are not called on by drug reps at all.1
- 86% of PAs see a drug rep without their supervising physician being present?

The PA ... a high-prescribing ... untapped ... pharmaceutical market.

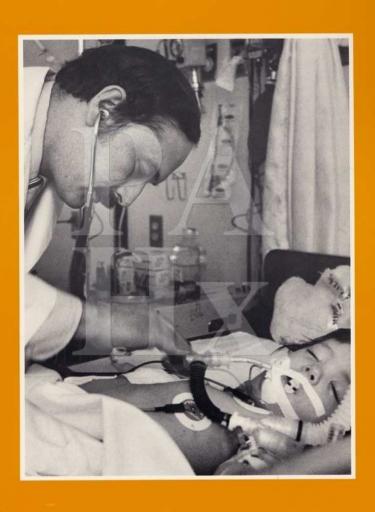
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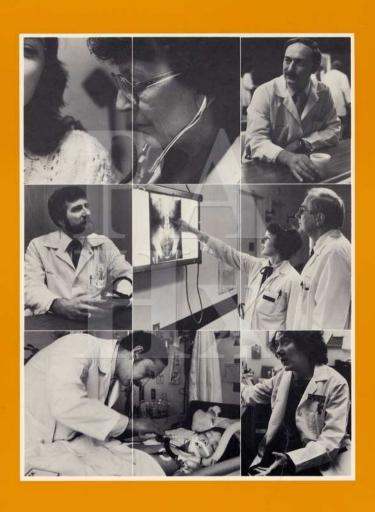
### PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IS READ BY 98% OF THIS UNTAPPED MARKET.

- Physician Assistant ... the official publication of the American Academy of Physician Assistants.
- In a comparison study, 4 out of 5 physician assistants prefer Physician Assistant!
- 86% of PAs are Media-Chek high-readers of Physician Assistant!

Physician Assistant is the physician assistant market.

Media-Chek





### **PA PROFILE**

- The physician assistant has become a vital member of the primary health care team.
- The physician assistant is autonomous.
- The physician assistant delivers primary care.
- ■The physician assistant is equal to the GP/FP/DO.
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