

Topic	PA-C	ARNP
<b>Licensure</b>	All 50 states have licensure provisions	All 50 states have licensure provisions
<b>Regulatory Board</b>	Board of Medicine	Board of Nursing
<b>Prescriptive privileges</b>	All 50 states	All 50 states
<b>Co-signature in chart</b>	Not mandatory in State of FL per state statute	Not mandatory in state of FL per state statute
<b>Ratio of Supervision</b>	One physician can supervise up to 4 PAs	No limit.  Standards for Protocols” found at 64B9-4.010, Florida Administrative Code, requires that the supervision arrangement be “appropriate for prudent health care providers under similar circumstances”.
<b>Distance Requirement</b>	The supervising physician must be within reasonable distance (75 miles)	No distance requirement for collaborating physician
<b>Medicare Reimbursement</b>	Please see supporting document	Please see supporting document
<b>Controlled Substance prescribing in FL</b>	None	None
<b>Independent Practice Ability</b>	None	Yes
<b>Practice Protocols</b>	None needed. Only Supervising Data Form filed with MQA/DOH	Yes. Filed with the Board of Nursing every two years and within 30 days of practice.

The table above outlines several practice guideline similarities and differences between PA and ARNP in the state of Florida. These reflect the most common questions by hiring physicians.

### References:

Pertaining to Physician Assistants

Florida Statutes, Chapter 458 & 459 -

[http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App\\_mode=Display\\_Statute&Search\\_String=&URL=0400-0499/0458/Sections/0458.347.html](http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0400-0499/0458/Sections/0458.347.html)

Administrative Code : Rule Chapter 64B8-30

<https://www.flrules.org/gateway/ChapterHome.asp?Chapter=64B8-30>

Pertaining to Nurse Practitioners

[http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/nursing/info\\_practiceAct.pdf](http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa/nursing/info_practiceAct.pdf)