

WELCOME <u>NEW MEMBER</u> TO THE ACADEMY OF PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATES IN LEGAL MEDICINE!

APALM is a constituent organization of the AAPA. Our mission is to establish Physician Associates as leaders at the intersection of healthcare and law, with an emphasis on patient safety, ethical standards, and quality of care through education, service, and collaboration.

ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVES

- To serve as a resource for PAs and other medical professionals who may be facing legal action.
- To provide information and resources to PAs who are interested in becoming medico-legal consultants.
- To act as a resource for attorneys and insurance companies who are seeking PA experts regarding the scope of practice and standard of care of Physician Associates.

BENEFITS OF APALM

- Members will receive a quarterly newsletter with information about medico-legal issues, and current trends and topics as well as staying informed on our social media platforms.
- Members will be able to note on their CVs that they are members of the only organization of its kind in the PA profession.
- Fellow members will be notified by email when an attorney requests a PA expert witness. Members can respond promptly if their specialization or qualifications match the need.
 - ***Please note, APALM does NOT serve as an expert witness training organization ***

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS

- Participate in fulfilling all aspects of the APALM mission, including the education of fellow PAs,
 PA students and the medico-legal community about PA practice, PA liability and standards of care.
- Uphold the American Academy of Physician Associate Adopted Ethical Guidelines when serving as an expert witness. These guidelines are posted on the APALM website.
- Keep their dues and membership information current.
- Make every effort to attend APALM's annual business meeting which is held during the AAPA annual conference.

Thank you for joining APALM, one of the most unique constituent organizations of the AAPA. Please feel free to contact any of the board members with questions or comments.

Sincerely,

The APALM Board

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