

Putting your Practice Puzzle Together

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State and Federal Watch -

NC Voluntary Health Care Services Act Now Officially Includes PAs

On July 12, 2012, Governor Perdue signed <u>House Bill 614</u>, legislation enabling the Volunteer Health Care Services Act into law. Effective January 1, 2013, registered sponsoring organizations will have the authority to organize or arrange for the voluntary provision of healthcare services in the state.

PAs are: (1) specifically included within the definition of the term "healthcare provider," (2) relieved from additional licensure requirements when they engage in the voluntary provision of healthcare services in association with a sponsoring organization for no more than seven days and (3) afforded limited protection from civil liability for acts or

omissions that occur during the voluntary provision of healthcare services.

Reference:

https://www.aapa.org/news_and_publications/pa_pro_now/item.aspx?id=4683



Gimme The \$\$\$

Contracts are often a challenging part of a practice administrator's job. Negotiating with incoming clinicians can have its own special features and challenges.

Here is a great article from <u>Family Practice Management</u> that covers all of the ins and outs, including moonlighting, termination clauses and the ever famous non compete.

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Solve the Clinical Puzzle

10,000 Baby Boomers turn 65 every day.

According to Dr. James Pacala, associate head of the University of Minnesota Department of Family Medicine and Community Health and president of the American Geriatrics Society, "We don't really have a national plan on how we're going to be able to care for everybody and the burden of disability that we are going to be faced with in the next few decades,"

"For every person in a nursing home or an institution there are two people in the community who are equally disabled. And as those numbers of disabled people grow I'm not sure that we've really figured out what we are going to do about it. We need to have a better approach."

Listen to Dr. Pacala's interview on PBS here: http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2012/08/21/daily-circuit-aging

Your 2 cents

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Our Solution for You

Doctors with Dings Career assistance for Doctors, PAs and NPs with blemishes on their record.

Doctors With Dings® Inc. provides support to physicians and other licensed healthcare providers who have suffered a 'career accident.' We all know people in our lives that have made misjudgments, which have made unfortunate mistakes and erred in judgment. As you know with health care providers, these situations create blemishes on important credentials and challenges with licensing authorities. Hence, these medical professionals may find themselves in a difficult and challenging position from which to position themselves into new career opportunities. Sometimes bad things happen to good people.

The leadership behind Doctors With Dings® Inc believes that most all of us make mistakes, but in many cases overcoming those mistakes can be inordinately difficult for medical professionals. We're here to help. Doctors With Dings® Inc. was formed to provide a platform for clinicians to set their employment record straight and to help get them in front of potential employers who are crying out for qualified medical talent. Just because a mistake was made doesn't mean in all instances a good professional should have

to go it alone in the search for an employer to partner with to supporting both the provider and meet the needs of the patients in their communities.

We are still in our nascent stages of growth, but have a dynamic leadership and support team available to assist those who work with us. If you have a challenging 'career accident' and need a career medic – we're here to help.

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MEDIA - We're in the news again!

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http://momgeek.com/lisa-shock-interview/

Kind regards, *Lisa*



Lisa Shock is a Duke University Physician Assistant graduate and has greater than 10 years of clinical experience in a variety of healthcare settings. In addition to previously owning and running a rural primary care clinic, she is the current president and CEO of Utilization Solutions in Healthcare, a company she created in response to the many questions she has received over the years about

Physician Assistant utilization. Lisa is a past president of the North Carolina Academy of Physician Assistants. She also contributed to the Physician Assistant profession by serving on the PA Advisory Council of the North Carolina Medical Board as well as the Quality Improvement and Health Information Technology Committee of the North Carolina Medical Society, and she remains a state PA expert in reimbursement and legislative issues. She enjoys part time clinical primary care practice and enjoys teaching geriatric medicine and long term care as a Duke PA Program faculty member.

Lisa was recently interviewed on BlogTalkRadio - <u>listen here!</u>

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