



# GAPA

Georgia Association of  
Physician Assistants

MEMBERSHIP INVITATION 2019



JOIN GAPA TODAY



Proudly Representing  
**Georgia's PAs  
4200 Strong!**

### **Ability to Practice**

We are committed to ensuring legislative and regulatory environments that allow you to do your job to the fullest potential.

### **Education**

Simply put, the BEST CME conference in the nation—close to home. Members receive deep discounts with our Early Bird rates.

### **Community**

Whether it's on local or state levels or even across the world, GAPA is making a positive difference by “giving back” in the form of philanthropic grants. We've had the privilege of contributing to such worthwhile causes such as clinic operating rooms in Haiti, Good Samaritan Clinic, Migrant Farmworker's Project, and many other programs in support of multiple sclerosis, breast cancer, prostate cancer, cystic fibrosis, and AIDS.

### **Public Awareness**

GAPA works hard to make sure the general public is educated on what the PA profession is, how you improve patient care and accessibility, and how you add value to the overall healthcare system.

**I BELIEVE IN GAPA**



## ABILITY TO PRACTICE

### Current Issues

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- Efforts to restore: Authority of PAs to prescribe hydrocodone Schedule II Medications
- PA signing of all health care forms but final disability ratings for workers compensation and death certificates
- More manageable: Implementation of PA Job Description
- Worker's Compensation: Remove requirement that 1st Scheduled Visit must be with a physician
- PA name on the patients Rx "Container" received from the Pharmacy Regulatory: Georgia Composite Medical Board
- Telemedicine Rule
- Reimbursement

### Milestones

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- Delegation of prescriptive authority
- Dangerous drugs and Schedule III-V Controlled Substances
- Streamlining of record-keeping
- Clarification of the nature of the job description (making it more general)
- State "Licensing" of PAs (Instead of being "certified")
- Physician to PA Supervisory ratio flexibility
- Increase in number of PAs a physician can supervise
- Authorization for PAs to have DEA numbers
- Flexibility in practice settings
- Sign all health-related forms (except death certificates and percentage of disability)
- Ability to request, sign for and distribute pharmaceutical samples
- Free and indigent care clinic practice by PAs



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## The Leading Legislative Voice for PAs in Georgia

**Advocates** effectively in legislation

**Develops** relationships with many legislators to educate and promote the PA Profession

**Protects** its members from a number of scope of practice attacks

**Organizes** PA Day at the Capital

**Keeps** members updated on new laws, key provisions, networks, and reimbursement

**Educates** the public about the PA Profession through social media



**GAPA is the leading voice for PAs in every specialty and practice in Georgia**

Join GAPA or renew your GAPA membership to empower you and over 4200 PAs in Georgia as we enhance the profession and practice environment. Look for our new and improved website at [GAPA.net](http://GAPA.net) to stay connected and updated on state and national issues under the "Members" link.

# **GAPA** SUMMER CME CONFERENCE

July 15-19, 2019 | Hilton Head Island, SC

Combine your GAPA  
member discount with  
our Early Bird rate.

Great opportunity  
to save!



NEW HOST HOTEL

**Hilton Head Marriott Resort & Spa**

**REGISTER TODAY!**



For **less than 50 cents** per day, you could be a member of the state's only organization actively promoting the PA profession, helping you connect with patients and enhancing the availability of healthcare through effective legislation.

## BENEFITS THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE

### When You Join GAPA, You'll Tap Into

- ✔ **Membership advantages** that can help foster your career and make you and your practice more accessible to patients.
- ✔ **GAPA's legislative blog** to keep you informed and involved.
- ✔ **Email updates** during the Georgia General Assembly session packed with news about key legislative issues affecting your practice and patients, as well as how you can reach out to decision makers as they're considering legislation affecting the PA profession.
- ✔ **The latest news**, available through GAPA's award-winning newsletter
- ✔ **Cross promotion** and involvement in PA Day/Week activities across the state
- ✔ **Representation** at the American Academy of Physician Assistants House of Delegates

### Money Back Guarantee

If you're not satisfied with your membership at the end of 12 months, we'll refund your money.

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