- (p) "Protocols" means written policies, bylaws, rules, or regulations established by a hospital, public health facility, correctional facility, or detention center that:
- (1) Are established in consultation with and with the approval of its medical staff;
- (2) Describe the delegated medical acts a physician assistant may execute; and
 - (3) Specify the minimum requirements for supervision by a physician.
- (q) "Public health facility" means a fixed site where clinical public health services are rendered under the auspices of the Department, a local health department in a county, or the Baltimore City Health Department.
- (r) "Supervising physician" means a physician who has been approved by the Board to supervise [1] ONE or more physician assistants.
- (s) (1) "Supervision" means the responsibility of a physician to exercise [on site] ON-SITE supervision or immediately available direction for physician assistants performing delegated medical acts.
- (2) "Supervision" includes physician oversight of and acceptance of direct responsibility for the patient services and care rendered by a physician assistant, including continuous availability to the physician assistant in person, through written instructions, or by electronic means AND BY DESIGNATION OF ONE OR MORE ALTERNATE SUPERVISING PHYSICIANS.

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- (a) Nothing in this title may be construed to authorize a physician assistant to practice independent of a supervising physician.
- (b) A certificate issued to a physician assistant shall limit the physician assistant's scope of practice to medical acts:
 - (1) Delegated by the supervising physician;
- (2) Appropriate to the education, training, and experience of the physician assistant;
 - (3) Customary to the practice of the supervising physician; and
 - (4) Consistent with the delegation agreement submitted to the Board.
 - (c) Patient services that may be provided by a physician assistant include:
 - (1) (i) Taking complete, detailed, and accurate patient histories; and
- (ii) Reviewing patient records to develop comprehensive medical status reports;
- (2) Performing physical examinations and recording all pertinent patient data;