

The document below explains the use of Physician Assistants. These must be completed by the patients. There may also be additional charges depending on the need for a PA in regards to a procedure.

North Atlanta Surgical Associates
Physician Assistant (PA) Role

Insurance carriers have developed a comprehensive policy addressing the use of Physician Assistants. These policies clarify the role and offers guidelines for providers which are consistent with those portrayed by the State of Georgia Medical Practice Act and Quality Medical Standards.

Physician Assistants are recognized as providers of medical care when employed by and acting under the direct supervision of a network-contracted physician, if the following are adhered to:

- The Physician Assistant’s job description has been approved by the Georgia State Board of Medical Examiners.
- The Physician is actively pursuing the required continuing education requirements for recertification.
- The physician’s patient population has been informed that a physician assistant may render care on behalf of the physician and has agreed, in writing, to receive care from a physician assistant. Please see second form.
- The employing physician co-signs all physician assistant entries in the patient record.
- Physician Assistants wear an identification badge to clearly identify himself or herself as a Physician Assistant to patients.

If you have any questions regarding the Physician Assistant Policy, please contact your network Management Consultant.

North Atlanta Surgical Associates
Physician Assistant Consent Form

Physician Name: _____

We use a Physician Assistant (PA) in our office for those levels of our practice that have been approved by the Georgia State Board of Medical Examiners.

Your signature on this consent form conveys that you are in agreement with being treated by our Physician Assistant, who is acting under our supervision.

Patient Name: _____

Patient Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian of Minor

Date

You have the right to refuse care by the Physician Assistant; however, it may delay or prevent being seen by the practicing Physician.