

Proclamation

by Governor Jim Justice

Whereas, quality, affordable and accessible patient-centered healthcare, provided by physician assistants (PAs), contribute to the well-being and quality of life for all patients of West Virginia; and

Whereas, PAs are often the first point of contact for many patients and play a vital role in helping patients understand their medical needs and empowering them to become effective advocates for their own health; and

Whereas, PAs are academically and clinically prepared to practice medicine, including diagnosing and treating disease, assisting at surgery and prescribing medicine; and

Whereas, a valuable asset to the medical team, PAs work with physicians to enhance the delivery of high-quality healthcare to patients, often in medically underserved and rural areas; and,

Whereas, PAs have earned the respect of the general public for their dedication and contributions to people's lives and for working together with the healthcare team to ensure delivery of more efficient and effective healthcare services.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that I, Jim Justice, Governor of the Great State of West Virginia, do hereby proclaim *October 6-12, 2020* as:


National Physician Assistants Week

in the Mountain State and encourage all citizens to recognize the significant impact PAs have made and continue to make in healthcare as a critical part of the healthcare team.


In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of West Virginia to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the Second day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty, and in the One Hundred Fifty-Eighth year of the State.




Jim Justice
Governor

By the Governor:


Mac Warner
Secretary of State