

Proclamation

By the Governor of Alabama

WHEREAS, quality, cost-effective and patient-centered health care is essential to the wellbeing and quality of life of all individuals in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, physician associates/assistants (PAs) are nationally certified and state-licensed medical professionals who diagnose illnesses, develop and manage treatment plans, prescribe medications and often serve as a patient's principal healthcare provider; and

WHEREAS, PAs are trusted providers and vital members of the healthcare team, enhancing access to high quality care in primary care settings, hospitals, rural communities and underserved areas; and

WHEREAS, PAs deliver compassionate, expert care, often serving as the first point of contact for patients and empowering individuals and families to be active participants in their own health; and

WHEREAS, PAs provide critical care across a broad range of medical specialties, including addressing the growing demand for behavioral and mental health services, offering compassionate, evidence-based care to individuals and families in need; and

WHEREAS, PAs are committed to addressing health disparities, expanding access and providing team based, person-centered care across every medical specialty and setting; and

WHEREAS, PAs have earned the respect of patients and colleagues alike for their clinical excellence, adaptability and deep dedication to the communities they serve:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, Governor of Alabama, do hereby proclaim October 6 through 12, 2025, as

Physician Assistants Week

in the state of Alabama, and I encourage all residents to recognize and celebrate the important role that PAs play in improving health, advancing equity and delivering high-quality care across the healthcare system.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the Office of the Governor at the State Capitol in the City of Montgomery on the 6th day of October 2025.

Kay Ivey, Governor