

# Nurse Practitioner Collaborative Agreement

This document outlines the terms of the collaborative practice agreement between

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
at \_\_\_\_\_. The agreement will become effective  
on \_\_\_\_\_.

## I. Purpose

This agreement is established by the laws and regulations governing the collaborative practice of nurse practitioners (NP) and physicians to facilitate the delivery of high-quality patient care. It is intended to define the working relationship and scope of practice of the NP with the collaborating physician.

## II. Scope of practice

The nurse practitioner is authorized to perform the following activities within the scope of their advanced practice nursing licensure and applicable state laws and regulations:

- Diagnosis and treatment of common acute and chronic health conditions
- Ordering and interpreting diagnostic tests and procedures
- Prescribing medications and treatments (as permitted by law)
- Providing patient education and counseling
- Referring patients to other healthcare providers as needed
- Other/s (please specify):

The nurse practitioner agrees to practice within this agreement's agreed-upon protocols and guidelines and fully comply with applicable laws and regulations.

## III. Collaboration and oversight

The collaborating physician agrees to provide supervision and collaboration with the nurse practitioner in the delivery of patient care. The following principles apply:

- **Regular communication:** The nurse practitioner and collaborative physician will communicate \_\_\_\_\_ via \_\_\_\_\_ to discuss patient care and management of complex or urgent cases.
- **Chart review:** The collaborating physician will review a random sample of patient charts every \_\_\_\_\_, as outlined in written practice protocols, and provide feedback as necessary.
- **Emergency consultation:** In situations requiring immediate attention or emergency care, the nurse practitioner will consult the collaborating physician for guidance. If unavailable, the nurse practitioner will consult with an appropriate backup physician as outlined in the emergency procedures.

The collaborating physician may also schedule periodic meetings with the nurse practitioner (at least quarterly) to discuss overall clinical practice, quality improvement measures, and patient care outcomes.

## IV. Documentation and record-keeping

Under applicable state laws and medical practice standards, the nurse practitioner will maintain accurate and up-to-date patient records, including medical history, assessments, treatments, and follow-up care. The following documentation protocols will apply:

- **Record access:** Patient charts will be made available to the collaborating physician for review upon request, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- **Electronic records:** Both parties agree to utilize electronic medical records (EMRs) where applicable, ensuring accessibility, security, and proper documentation of care provided.

## V. Dispute resolution

Any disagreements or disputes regarding patient care or interpretation of this agreement will be addressed through mutual discussion and resolution between the nurse practitioner and the collaborating physician. If an agreement cannot be reached, the parties agree to consider third-party mediation or seek legal counsel for resolution.

## VI. Term and review

- **Term:** This agreement will remain in effect for \_\_\_\_\_ from the execution date, at which point it will automatically renew unless either party requests a review or modification.
- **Annual review:** This agreement will be reviewed on \_\_\_\_\_ to ensure compliance with changes in laws, regulations, or clinical practice protocols. Both parties will add and sign a written addendum reflecting any changes. Additionally, the nurse practitioner and collaborating physician will meet \_\_\_\_\_ to discuss the quality of care, patient outcomes, and any revisions to practice protocols.

## VII. Agreement

Both parties acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms outlined in this agreement. This agreement is effective upon the signatures of the nurse practitioner and the collaborating physician.

### Nurse practitioner

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_

License number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

### Collaborating physician

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_

License number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_