

House Bill 832

By: Representatives McCall of the 30th and Hudson of the 124th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 43-34-103 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 approval of physician's assistants, so as to provide for actions of such assistants with regard
3 to professional samples; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
4 other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 43-34-103 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to approval of
8 physician's assistants, is amended by adding after subsection (e.1) a new subsection to read
9 as follows:

10 "(e.2) A physician's assistant shall be allowed to request, receive, and sign for professional
11 samples and may distribute professional samples to patients, pursuant to authority
12 delegated by the supervising physician of that physician's assistant. Delegation of such
13 authority shall be contained in the job description required by this Code section; provided,
14 however, the office or facility at which the physician's assistant is working must maintain
15 a list of professional samples approved by the supervising physician for request, receipt,
16 and distribution by the physician's assistant. In addition to the requirements of this Code
17 section, all professional samples shall be maintained as required by applicable state and
18 federal law and regulations. As used in this subsection, the term 'professional samples'
19 means complimentary doses of a drug or medical devices provided by the manufacturer for
20 use in patient care."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.