Alaska State Medical Board Board Issued Guidelines

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The scope of practice for a physician does include prescribing or administering of pharmaceuticals, including controlled substances (subject to DEA requirements). However, a physician may not represent themself as a pharmacist or as having a pharmacy on site, and must comply with applicable professional and ethical standards, as well as prescription counseling.

The "practice of medicine" or "practice of osteopathy" is defined in Alaska Statute (AS) 08.64.380(6) as follows:

for a fee, donation or other consideration, to diagnose, treat, operate on, prescribe for, or administer to, any human ailment, blemish, deformity, disease, disfigurement, disorder, injury, or other mental or physical condition; or to attempt to perform or represent that a person is authorized to perform any of the acts set out in this subparagraph;