

What is physician-led, team-based care?

(GENERAL ISSUE OVERVIEW)



Physician-led, team-based care can help address some of the biggest challenges facing Kentucky's health care system:

ACCESS



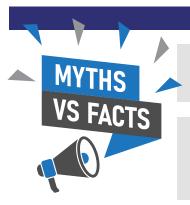
QUALITY



COST



With more than a decade of rigorous education, clinical training and hands-on experience, physicians are uniquely trained and qualified to lead your health care journey with the support of your full care team.



MYTH: Expanding scope of practice laws to allow non-physicians to practice without physician involvement will increase access to care.

FACT: States with laws allowing non-physician groups to practice without physician supervision or collaboration have not guaranteed increased access in rural and underserved areas.

Under a physician-led, team-based model of care, physicians and other health professionals work collaboratively, within their scope of experience and education, to ensure patients receive quality, safe and accessible care. Most importantly, this model leads to the best health outcomes for our patients.





Education and experience matter

(PHYSICIAN/NON-PHYSICIAN COMPARISON)



Education and Experience Matter

When it really matters, Kentuckians want the most qualified person in the room leading their care. That's why patients trust a physician-led, team-based approach.

Experience & Education	Physician (M.D./D.O.)	Physician Assistant	CRNA	Nurse Practitioner	Psychologists
Length of Graduate Level Education	4 Years	2-2.5 Years	2-3 Years	2-4 Years	3 Years
Years in Residency/ Fellowship	3-7 Years	Not required	Not required	Not required	1 Year
Total Patient Care Hours Required Through Training	12,000-16,000 Hours	2,500 Hours	2,000 Hours	500-700 Hours	1-2 Years



Education

Depending on specialty, a physician is required to complete anywhere from 7 to 11 years of post-graduate education. Kentucky also requires physicians to complete many hours of continuous medical education (CME) each licensure cycle.



Hands-on Experience

During their residency, physicians treat actual patients and get hands-on clinical experience.



Licensure

Physicians must undergo rigorous testing to earn their medical licenses and most become board certified.

THE BOTTOM LINE

A physician's education and experience matter – not just to the patients who trust them with their health, but to the entire team delivering their care.

