

2004 AAPA Physician Assistant Census Report - Alaska

Introduction

The American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) was founded in 1968 and is the only national organization representing physician assistants (PAs) in all medical specialties. The Academy educates the general public about the PA profession, assures competency of PAs through active involvement in the accreditation of PA programs, provides continuing education, and conducts PA-related research. The Academy works to promote quality, cost-effective health care, and the professional and personal growth of PAs.

From 1990 to 1995, the AAPA conducted a census survey of its members. Beginning in 1996, the census survey was expanded to include those PAs who were not members of AAPA. While the survey instrument and the data collection process have undergone some revisions since the inception of the census, the general approach and data elements have remained much the same.

The data collection effort for the 2004 AAPA Physician Assistant Census was conducted between March 15 and September 15, 2004. Survey forms were mailed to all individuals, both AAPA members and non-members, who were believed to be eligible to practice as PAs in the United States as of December 31, 2003 and for whom address information was available. Surveys were not mailed to individuals who had indicated on a previous Census that they were retired or working as a physician. In total, forms were mailed to 58,826 people – accounting for 95.0 percent of the 61,891 individuals eligible to practice as PAs. Completed surveys were received from 23,494 people, representing 38.0 percent of all individuals eligible to practice as PAs and 39.9 percent of the PAs who were mailed a survey form. Of the 30,019 AAPA members who were mailed a form, 16,138 (53.8%) responded; of the 28,807 non-members who were mailed a form, 7,356 (25.5%) responded. This document presents the responses received on the census survey and also includes certain static information derived from the AAPA Masterfile, such as sex, race, and age. It should be noted that these data have not been weighted or adjusted to account for non-response, the number of usable responses for each item varies due to item non-response, and that the percentages displayed in all tables may not sum to 100 due to rounding.

To facilitate locating specific items of interest, an index of the subjects addressed by the tables is provided in addition to a list of tables.

Highlights of National Statistics

Section I. Characteristics of Respondents and Non-Respondents

Sex: Females accounted for 60 percent of the respondents to this year's census.

Ethnicity: White PAs comprise 88 percent of the respondents.

Age: The mean age of census respondents is 42 years; the median is 41.

PA Education: Half (50%) of respondents hold a bachelor's level PA degree; 22 percent of respondents hold a master's level PA degree.

Types of Degrees Held: Ninety-one percent of respondents hold a bachelor's degree or higher; thirty-five percent hold a masters degree. Only about two percent of respondents hold a doctoral degree.

Age at Time of Graduation from PA School: The mean age at time of graduation from PA school was 31 years; the median was 29.

Years Since Graduation from PA School The mean number of years since graduation from PA school for census respondents is 11; the median is 7.

Section II. Professional Status of Respondents

Practice Status: The vast majority of respondents (89%) are in clinical practice.

Current Profession: Four percent of respondents reported working as a PA educator. This was the most common professional activity other than providing clinical services as a PA.

Section III: Information about Respondents in Clinical Practice

Number of Clinical PA Jobs: Eighty-five percent of respondents reported working exactly one clinical PA job; 15 percent work more than one clinical PA job concurrently.

Employer Type: More than four in ten respondents (43%) are employed by a single or multi-specialty physician group practice while 22 percent are employed by hospitals and 14 percent are employed by solo physician offices.

Government Employment: About 10 percent of respondents work for some type of government agency. The Department of Veterans' Affairs is the single largest government employer of PAs accounting for just over two percent of respondents; state governments collectively employ about two percent of this year's respondents.

Primary Work Setting: The most prevalent "primary" work setting, reported by 37 percent of respondents, is a hospital; the hospital departments cited most frequently as primary settings are hospital emergency rooms (10%), hospital inpatient units (9%), hospital outpatient units (8%), and hospital operating rooms (7%). Physician group practices are the primary work setting for 29 percent of respondents; 20 percent report working in a single-specialty group practice and 9 percent report working in a multi-specialty group practice. Other settings reported as the primary work setting by large numbers of PAs include solo-practice physician offices (13%), and Federally Qualified Health Centers or community health facilities (8%).

Work Settings where Clinical Services are Provided over the Course of a Typical Month:

Respondents were asked to indicate all of the settings where they provide clinical services for their primary clinical employer over the course of a typical month. The specific work settings reported by at least 20 percent of respondents are hospital inpatient units (33%), hospital emergency rooms (29%), single-specialty physician group practices (26%), hospital operating rooms (21%), hospital outpatient units (21%), and hospital intensive care/critical care units (20%).

Primary Specialty of Practice: While PAs practice in at least 61 specialty fields, 42 percent of this year's respondents reported that their primary specialty was one of the primary care fields: family/general practice medicine (30%), general internal medicine (8%), obstetrics/gynecology (3%), and general pediatrics (3%). Other prevalent specialties for PAs include general surgery/surgical subspecialties (24%), emergency medicine (10%), and the subspecialties of internal medicine (10%).

Years in Clinical Practice: The mean number of years in clinical practice is 9.2; the median is 6 years.

Years in Current Position: The mean number of years respondents have worked in their current position is 5.0; the median is 3 years.

Years in Current Specialty: The mean number of years respondents have worked in their current specialty is 6.4; the median is 4 years.

Geographic Distribution: The states in which the largest numbers of clinically practicing respondents are employed include: New York (10%), California (8%), Texas (6%), Pennsylvania (6%), Florida (5%), and North Carolina (5%).

Metropolitan Status of Work Site: About one-fifth of respondents (19%) work in counties that are classified as non-metropolitan.

Functions and Responsibilities: PAs can perform a variety of functions for their primary employers. More than one-fourth of respondents (27%) reported assisting in surgery and about four in ten (42%) reported performing invasive procedures. Nine percent of respondents reported supervising other PAs, and one in five (20%) reported supervising other clinical staff. More than one-third of respondents (37%) indicated that they precept PA students; one-fourth (25%) reported precepting students of other health professions.

Work Status: The majority of clinically practicing respondents (87%) work full-time, defined as more than 32 hours per week, for their primary clinical employer.

Section IV. Information about Respondents in Clinical Practice Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Their Primary Clinical Job

Hours Worked: The mean number of hours worked by the respondents who work more than 32 hours in a typical week is 44.4; the median is 42 hours.

Patient Visits/Encounters: Due to the variety of work settings and specialty fields in which PAs practice, the types of patients PAs treat are quite varied. The vast majority (91%) of census respondents who work full-time see some outpatients in their primary job; the mean number of patient visits provided per week by PAs who see outpatients exclusively is 96.0. One-third of respondents who work full-time (33%) see some inpatients in their primary job; the mean number of patient encounters provided per week by respondents who see inpatients exclusively is 61.8. Six percent of full-time PAs reported seeing some nursing home patients in their primary job, and only four percent of respondents report seeing patients who can not be classified as inpatients, outpatients, or nursing home patients.

Working in Hospitals: Almost two-thirds (64%) of respondents report seeing patients in at least one hospital and one in five (21%) report seeing patients in more than one hospital. The vast majority (98%) of respondents who see patients in hospitals have privileges granted by the medical staff in at least one hospital. Forty-five percent of respondents who see patients in hospitals are members of at least one hospital's medical staff and 42% are members of at least one hospital's PA staff.

Taking Call: More than one-third of full-time respondents (39%) reported taking call for their primary employer. The mean hours on call per month for those PAs who reported taking some call but who were not always on call is 99.

Base Pay: The majority of respondents (80%) reported receiving their base pay in the form of a salary; 18 percent indicated that they receive an hourly wage.

Compensation: Respondents reported receiving several additional forms of compensation from their primary employer. The most common form of additional compensation was a bonus or incentive pay based on the PA's productivity or performance, reported by 24 percent of respondents. Eighteen percent of respondents reported receiving overtime pay while 17 percent reported receiving a bonus based on something other than productivity or performance. Almost half of those who reported receiving an incentive based on productivity or performance (46%) indicated that the incentive was based on revenue.

Annual Income: The median total annual income from primary employer for respondents who work at least 32 hours per week for their primary employer and who are not self-employed is \$74,264; the mean is \$78,257. The comparable figures for respondents who graduated in 2003 are \$64,536 and \$65,641, respectively.

CME Funding: Eighty-eight percent of respondents reported having CME funds available to them from their primary employer. For those PAs who reported the amount of CME funds available to them, the mean is \$1,559; the median is \$1,500.

Source of Funds for Insurance and Other Expenses: Ninety-seven percent of respondents reported that their employer pays 95-100% of the cost of their professional liability insurance. Other expenses for which employers often pay 95-100% of the cost include DEA registration fees (75%), credentialing fees (73%), state license fees (71%), AAPA dues (63%), and NCCPA fees (63%).

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Section I: Characteristics of 2004 AAPA Census Respondents

Table 1.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by whether State is Alaska

	Count	Percent
Total	23494	100.0%
Alaska	151	.6%
All Others	23343	99.4%

Table 1.2: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by Sex

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Male	87	57.6%	9157	39.6%	9244	39.7%
Female	64	42.4%	13963	60.4%	14027	60.3%

Table 1.3: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by Race

		Alaska		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Alaska	Asian/Pacific Islander	4	3.0%			4	3.0%
	Black (Not Hispanic)	3	2.3%			3	2.3%
	Hispanic/Latino Origin	3	2.3%			3	2.3%
	Amer Indian/Alaskan	7	5.3%			7	5.3%
	White (Not Hispanic)	114	86.4%			114	86.4%
	Multiracial	1	.8%			1	.8%
All Others	Asian/Pacific Islander			704	3.3%	704	3.3%
	Black (Not Hispanic)			614	2.9%	614	2.9%
	Hispanic/Latino Origin			785	3.7%	785	3.7%
	Amer Indian/Alaskan			183	.9%	183	.9%
	White (Not Hispanic)			18595	88.4%	18595	88.4%
	Multiracial			152	.7%	152	.7%

Table 1.4: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by PA Degrees Held

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Do not have certificate in PA studies	72	51.4%	12610	64.5%	12682	64.4%
Have certificate in PA studies	68	48.6%	6952	35.5%	7020	35.6%
Do not have associate's in PA studies	129	92.1%	18001	92.0%	18130	92.0%
Have associate's in PA studies	11	7.9%	1561	8.0%	1572	8.0%
Do not have bachelor's in PA studies	79	56.4%	9774	50.0%	9853	50.0%
Have bachelor's in PA studies	61	43.6%	9788	50.0%	9849	50.0%
Do not have master's in PA studies	117	83.6%	15310	78.3%	15427	78.3%
Have master's in PA studies	23	16.4%	4252	21.7%	4275	21.7%

Table 1.5: Number and Percent Distribution of Census Respondents by Types of Degrees Held

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Do not have bachelor's degree	28	20.0%	1788	9.1%	1816	9.2%
Have bachelor's degree	112	80.0%	17774	90.9%	17886	90.8%
Do not have master's degree	90	64.3%	12630	64.6%	12720	64.6%
Have master's degree	50	35.7%	6932	35.4%	6982	35.4%
Do not have doctoral degree	138	98.6%	19264	98.5%	19402	98.5%
Have doctoral degree	2	1.4%	298	1.5%	300	1.5%

Table 1.6: Summary Measures of Age for Census Respondents

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Count	150	23274	23424
Mean	47.2	41.5	41.6
Standard deviation	9.3	10.7	10.7
10th percentile	33.0	28.0	28.0
25th percentile	41.0	32.0	32.0
Median	49.0	41.0	41.0
75th percentile	53.3	50.0	50.0
90th percentile	58.0	56.0	56.0

Table 1.7: Summary Measures of Age During Year of Graduation from PA School for Census Respondents

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Count	150	23274	23424
Mean	33.4	30.9	30.9
Standard deviation	7.3	7.0	7.0
10th percentile	26.0	24.0	24.0
25th percentile	28.0	26.0	26.0
Median	31.5	29.0	29.0
75th percentile	38.0	34.0	34.0
90th percentile	43.9	41.0	41.0

Table 1.8: Summary Measures of Years since Graduation from PA School for Census Respondents

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Count	151	23343	23494
Mean	13.8	10.6	10.7
Standard deviation	9.0	9.0	9.0
10th percentile	3.0	1.0	1.0
25th percentile	6.0	3.0	3.0
Median	13.0	7.0	7.0
75th percentile	20.0	18.0	18.0
90th percentile	28.0	26.0	26.0

Section II: Professional Status of Respondents

Table 2.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents by Clinical Practice Status

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	151	100.0%	23343	100.0%	23494	100.0%
In clinical practice	132	87.4%	20724	88.8%	20856	88.8%
Not in clinical practice	19	12.6%	2619	11.2%	2638	11.2%

Table 2.2: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents by Current Professional Status*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	151	100.0%	23343	100.0%	23494	100.0%
Clinically practicing PA	132	87.4%	20724	88.8%	20856	88.8%
Clinically practicing physician or resident			109	.5%	109	.5%
Clinically practicing NP	4	2.6%	226	1.0%	230	1.0%
Other clinically practicing provider			161	.7%	161	.7%
PA educator	7	4.6%	942	4.0%	949	4.0%
Other health professions educator	9	6.0%	291	1.2%	300	1.3%
Health care professional-administrator	5	3.3%	379	1.6%	384	1.6%
Health care professional-researcher			160	.7%	160	.7%
Health care professional-lawyer			12	.1%	12	.1%
Health care professional-public health			60	.3%	60	.3%
Health care professional-other	5	3.3%	532	2.3%	537	2.3%
Other non-health professional	2	1.3%	241	1.0%	243	1.0%
Student in post-graduate PA program	2	1.3%	168	.7%	170	.7%
Medical student			56	.2%	56	.2%
Other student	1	.7%	86	.4%	87	.4%
Not employed by choice	7	4.6%	558	2.4%	565	2.4%
Employed, seeking PA job	1	.7%	123	.5%	124	.5%
Unemployed, seeking PA job	2	1.3%	248	1.1%	250	1.1%
Unemployed, seeking non-PA job			68	.3%	68	.3%
Retired	3	2.0%	450	1.9%	453	1.9%
Other	1	.7%	308	1.3%	309	1.3%

*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

Section III: Information about Respondents in Clinical Practice

Table 3.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Number of Concurrent PA Jobs

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20724	100.0%	20856	100.0%
One	105	79.5%	17598	84.9%	17703	84.9%
Two	17	12.9%	2550	12.3%	2567	12.3%
Three	3	2.3%	384	1.9%	387	1.9%
More than three	1	.8%	89	.4%	90	.4%
Self-employed w/mult contracts	6	4.5%	103	.5%	109	.5%

Table 3.2: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Type of Primary Employer

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20700	100.0%	20832	100.0%
Self-employed	18	13.6%	535	2.6%	553	2.7%
Solo physician practice	14	10.6%	2915	14.1%	2929	14.1%
Single-specialty physician group	9	6.8%	6242	30.2%	6251	30.0%
Multi-specialty physician group	12	9.1%	2688	13.0%	2700	13.0%
University hospital			1517	7.3%	1517	7.3%
Other hospital	18	13.6%	3065	14.8%	3083	14.8%
Freestanding urgent care center	6	4.5%	382	1.8%	388	1.9%
Freestanding surgical center			25	.1%	25	.1%
Nursing home or LTC facility			55	.3%	55	.3%
Home health agency			3	.0%	3	.0%
Hospice			1	.0%	1	.0%
HMO	1	.8%	549	2.7%	550	2.6%
Community health center	27	20.5%	1200	5.8%	1227	5.9%
Medical staffing agency	2	1.5%	56	.3%	58	.3%
Physician practice mngmt org			309	1.5%	309	1.5%
Integrated health system	4	3.0%	197	1.0%	201	1.0%
Corrections system	3	2.3%	226	1.1%	229	1.1%
Other	18	13.6%	735	3.6%	753	3.6%

Table 3.3: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Primary Employer's Government Affiliation

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	129	100.0%	20494	100.0%	20623	100.0%
Not government employed	79	61.2%	18510	90.3%	18589	90.1%
Air Force	5	3.9%	139	.7%	144	.7%
Army	5	3.9%	297	1.4%	302	1.5%
Navy			115	.6%	115	.6%
Dept. of Veterans Affairs	3	2.3%	500	2.4%	503	2.4%
Federal Bureau of Prisons/DOJ			45	.2%	45	.2%
Federal Public Health Service	23	17.8%	58	.3%	81	.4%
Indian Health Service	3	2.3%	77	.4%	80	.4%
Other federal government	2	1.6%	76	.4%	78	.4%
State government	6	4.7%	425	2.1%	431	2.1%
Local government	3	2.3%	232	1.1%	235	1.1%
Coast Guard			20	.1%	20	.1%

Table 3.4: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Primary Work Setting

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	131	100.0%	20665	100.0%	20796	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital			392	1.9%	392	1.9%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	3	2.3%	1862	9.0%	1865	9.0%
Outpatient unit of hospital	16	12.2%	1591	7.7%	1607	7.7%
Hospital emergency room	5	3.8%	2042	9.9%	2047	9.8%
Hospital operating room			1443	7.0%	1443	6.9%
Other unit of hospital	1	.8%	252	1.2%	253	1.2%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	17	13.0%	888	4.3%	905	4.4%
Other FQHC	7	5.3%	328	1.6%	335	1.6%
Other community health center/facility	9	6.9%	467	2.3%	476	2.3%
Freestanding urgent care facility	7	5.3%	591	2.9%	598	2.9%
Freestanding surgical facility			115	.6%	115	.6%
Solo practice physician office	14	10.7%	2761	13.4%	2775	13.3%
Single-specialty physician group practice	7	5.3%	4181	20.2%	4188	20.1%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	14	10.7%	1860	9.0%	1874	9.0%
HMO facility			398	1.9%	398	1.9%
Nursing home or LTC facility			179	.9%	179	.9%
University/college student health facility	1	.8%	136	.7%	137	.7%
School-based health facility			80	.4%	80	.4%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	6	4.6%	456	2.2%	462	2.2%
Correctional facility	4	3.1%	251	1.2%	255	1.2%
Industrial facility/work site	13	9.9%	108	.5%	121	.6%
Mobile health unit	1	.8%	19	.1%	20	.1%
Patients' homes			17	.1%	17	.1%
Other	6	4.6%	248	1.2%	254	1.2%

Table 3.5: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Types of Practice Settings where Time is Spent*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20692	100.0%	20824	100.0%
Intensive/critical care unit of hospital	10	7.6%	4225	20.4%	4235	20.3%
Inpatient unit of hospital (not ICU/CCU)	15	11.4%	6754	32.6%	6769	32.5%
Outpatient unit of hospital	24	18.2%	4279	20.7%	4303	20.7%
Hospital emergency room	23	17.4%	5966	28.8%	5989	28.8%
Hospital operating room	14	10.6%	4389	21.2%	4403	21.1%
Other unit of hospital	3	2.3%	1798	8.7%	1801	8.6%
Federally Qualified Rural Health Center	29	22.0%	1160	5.6%	1189	5.7%
Other FQHC	12	9.1%	459	2.2%	471	2.3%
Other community health center/facility	14	10.6%	745	3.6%	759	3.6%
Freestanding urgent care facility	19	14.4%	1077	5.2%	1096	5.3%
Freestanding surgical facility	1	.8%	918	4.4%	919	4.4%
Solo practice physician office	17	12.9%	3362	16.2%	3379	16.2%
Single-specialty physician group practice	10	7.6%	5491	26.5%	5501	26.4%
Multi-specialty physician group practice	15	11.4%	2579	12.5%	2594	12.5%
HMO facility	1	.8%	589	2.8%	590	2.8%
Nursing home or LTC facility	2	1.5%	1336	6.5%	1338	6.4%
University/college student health facility	1	.8%	283	1.4%	284	1.4%
School-based health facility	1	.8%	193	.9%	194	.9%
Other freestanding outpatient facility	10	7.6%	737	3.6%	747	3.6%
Correctional facility	5	3.8%	392	1.9%	397	1.9%
Industrial facility/work site	15	11.4%	220	1.1%	235	1.1%
Mobile health unit	1	.8%	99	.5%	100	.5%
Patients' homes	8	6.1%	438	2.1%	446	2.1%
Other	6	4.5%	502	2.4%	508	2.4%

*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

Table 3.6: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by General Specialty Practiced for Primary Employer

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20418	100.0%	20550	100.0%
Family/general medicine	85	64.4%	5967	29.2%	6052	29.5%
General internal medicine	2	1.5%	1605	7.9%	1607	7.8%
Emergency medicine	7	5.3%	2024	9.9%	2031	9.9%
General pediatrics			523	2.6%	523	2.5%
General surgery			581	2.8%	581	2.8%
Internal medicine subspecialties	4	3.0%	2000	9.8%	2004	9.8%
Pediatric subspecialties			309	1.5%	309	1.5%
Surgical subspecialties	12	9.1%	4315	21.1%	4327	21.1%
Obstetrics and gynecology	4	3.0%	530	2.6%	534	2.6%
Industrial/occupational medicine	14	10.6%	481	2.4%	495	2.4%
Other	4	3.0%	2083	10.2%	2087	10.2%

Table 3.7: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Specialty Practiced for Primary Employer

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20418	100.0%	20550	100.0%
Addiction medicine			89	.4%	89	.4%
Allergy			117	.6%	117	.6%
Anesthesiology			45	.2%	45	.2%
Dermatology			625	3.1%	625	3.0%
Emergency medicine	7	5.3%	2024	9.9%	2031	9.9%
Family practice w/o urgent care	17	12.9%	2353	11.5%	2370	11.5%
Family practice wt urgent care	68	51.5%	3614	17.7%	3682	17.9%
Genetics			4	.0%	4	.0%
Geriatrics			162	.8%	162	.8%
Obstetrics/gynecology	4	3.0%	530	2.6%	534	2.6%
Occupational medicine	14	10.6%	481	2.4%	495	2.4%
Ophthalmology			23	.1%	23	.1%
Pain management			180	.9%	180	.9%
Pathology			6	.0%	6	.0%
Physical med rehab			155	.8%	155	.8%
Psychiatry			200	1.0%	200	1.0%
Public health	1	.8%	26	.1%	27	.1%
Radiation oncology			45	.2%	45	.2%
Radiology			128	.6%	128	.6%
General surgery			581	2.8%	581	2.8%
Surg: cardiovascular/cardiothoracic			715	3.5%	715	3.5%
Surg: colon & rectal			17	.1%	17	.1%
Surg: hand			53	.3%	53	.3%
Surg: neurology	1	.8%	433	2.1%	434	2.1%
Surg: oncology			56	.3%	56	.3%
Surg: orthopedics	9	6.8%	2020	9.9%	2029	9.9%
Surg: otorhinolaryngology	1	.8%	168	.8%	169	.8%
Surg: pediatric			28	.1%	28	.1%
Surg: plastic			146	.7%	146	.7%
Surg: thoracic			34	.2%	34	.2%
Surg: transplant			42	.2%	42	.2%
Surg: trauma			83	.4%	83	.4%
Surg: urology	1	.8%	250	1.2%	251	1.2%
Surg: vascular			134	.7%	134	.7%
Surg: other			136	.7%	136	.7%
General pediatrics			523	2.6%	523	2.5%
Ped: adolescent medicine			64	.3%	64	.3%
Ped: allergy			10	.0%	10	.0%
Ped: cardiology			18	.1%	18	.1%
Ped: critical care			19	.1%	19	.1%
Ped: endocrinology			6	.0%	6	.0%
Ped: gastroenterology			11	.1%	11	.1%
Ped: hematology/oncology			32	.2%	32	.2%
Ped: infectious disease			6	.0%	6	.0%
Ped: neonatal-perinatal			66	.3%	66	.3%
Ped: nephrology			4	.0%	4	.0%
Ped: neurology			12	.1%	12	.1%
Ped: pulmonology			7	.0%	7	.0%
Ped: other			54	.3%	54	.3%
General internal medicine	2	1.5%	1605	7.9%	1607	7.8%
IM: cardiology	2	1.5%	683	3.3%	685	3.3%
IM: critical care			55	.3%	55	.3%
IM: endocrinology			79	.4%	79	.4%
IM: gastroenterology			337	1.7%	337	1.6%
IM: hematology/oncology	1	.8%	287	1.4%	288	1.4%
IM: immunology			5	.0%	5	.0%
IM: infectious disease			125	.6%	125	.6%
IM: nephrology			109	.5%	109	.5%
IM: neurology			91	.4%	91	.4%
IM: pulmonology	1	.8%	70	.3%	71	.3%
IM: rheumatology			73	.4%	73	.4%
IM: other			86	.4%	86	.4%
Other	3	2.3%	278	1.4%	281	1.4%

Table 3.8: Summary Measures of Years in Clinical Practice as PA for Clinically Practicing Respondents

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	132	20677	20809
Mean	12.7	9.2	9.2
Standard deviation	9.2	8.6	8.6
10th percentile	2.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	5.0	3.0	3.0
Median	10.0	6.0	6.0
75th percentile	20.0	14.0	14.0
90th percentile	27.7	24.0	24.0

Table 3.9: Summary Measures of Years in Current Position for Clinically Practicing Respondents

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	126	19630	19756
Mean	5.4	5.0	5.0
Standard deviation	5.5	5.7	5.7
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	2.0	1.0	1.0
Median	4.0	3.0	3.0
75th percentile	8.0	7.0	7.0
90th percentile	13.3	13.0	13.0

Table 3.10: Summary Measures of Years in Current Specialty for Clinically Practicing Respondents

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	127	20513	20640
Mean	9.1	6.4	6.4
Standard deviation	8.1	7.0	7.0
10th percentile	.0	.0	.0
25th percentile	3.0	1.0	1.0
Median	7.0	4.0	4.0
75th percentile	15.0	9.0	9.0
90th percentile	20.0	17.0	17.0

Table 3.11: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by AAPA Region in Which Employed

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	130	100.0%	20182	100.0%	20312	100.0%
Northeast			4851	24.0%	4851	23.9%
Southeast			4707	23.3%	4707	23.2%
North Central			4125	20.4%	4125	20.3%
South Central			2784	13.8%	2784	13.7%
West	130	100.0%	3715	18.4%	3845	18.9%

Table 3.12: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by State/Geographic Location in Which Employed

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	130	100.0%	20182	100.0%	20312	100.0%
Alaska	130	100.0%			130	.6%
Alabama			102	.5%	102	.5%
Arkansas			27	.1%	27	.1%
Arizona			455	2.3%	455	2.2%
California			1684	8.3%	1684	8.3%
Colorado			586	2.9%	586	2.9%
Connecticut			431	2.1%	431	2.1%
District Of Columbia			73	.4%	73	.4%
Delaware			66	.3%	66	.3%
Florida			1088	5.4%	1088	5.4%
Georgia			616	3.1%	616	3.0%
Guam			5	.0%	5	.0%
Hawaii			52	.3%	52	.3%
Iowa			324	1.6%	324	1.6%
Idaho			131	.6%	131	.6%
Illinois			539	2.7%	539	2.7%
Indiana			187	.9%	187	.9%
Kansas			267	1.3%	267	1.3%
Kentucky			251	1.2%	251	1.2%
Louisiana			139	.7%	139	.7%
Massachusetts			445	2.2%	445	2.2%
Maryland			487	2.4%	487	2.4%
Maine			207	1.0%	207	1.0%
Michigan			932	4.6%	932	4.6%
Minnesota			379	1.9%	379	1.9%
Missouri			186	.9%	186	.9%
Mississippi			37	.2%	37	.2%
Montana			133	.7%	133	.7%
North Carolina			1049	5.2%	1049	5.2%
North Dakota			88	.4%	88	.4%
Nebraska			274	1.4%	274	1.3%
New Hampshire			136	.7%	136	.7%
New Jersey			273	1.4%	273	1.3%
New Mexico			145	.7%	145	.7%
Nevada			135	.7%	135	.7%
New York			1970	9.8%	1970	9.7%
Ohio			490	2.4%	490	2.4%
Oklahoma			319	1.6%	319	1.6%
Oregon			258	1.3%	258	1.3%
Pennsylvania			1162	5.8%	1162	5.7%
Rhode Island			84	.4%	84	.4%
South Carolina			187	.9%	187	.9%
South Dakota			152	.8%	152	.7%
Tennessee			282	1.4%	282	1.4%
Texas			1264	6.3%	1264	6.2%
Utah			205	1.0%	205	1.0%
Virginia			390	1.9%	390	1.9%
Vermont			77	.4%	77	.4%
Washington			580	2.9%	580	2.9%
Wisconsin			574	2.8%	574	2.8%
West Virginia			182	.9%	182	.9%
Wyoming			77	.4%	77	.4%

Table 3.13: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Metropolitan Status of Primary Practice Site

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	130	100.0%	19984	100.0%	20114	100.0%
Not metro	83	63.8%	3707	18.5%	3790	18.8%
Metro	47	36.2%	16277	81.5%	16324	81.2%

Table 3.14: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents Who Perform Select Functions at Primary Clinical Job*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20703	100.0%	20835	100.0%
Function as hospitalist	6	4.5%	1311	6.3%	1317	6.3%
Perform invasive procedures	56	42.4%	8643	41.7%	8699	41.8%
Assist at surgery	14	10.6%	5513	26.6%	5527	26.5%
Manage care for inpatients	20	15.2%	7362	35.6%	7382	35.4%
Perform quality assurance	51	38.6%	4121	19.9%	4172	20.0%
Educate other providers	60	45.5%	6650	32.1%	6710	32.2%
Utilization review	18	13.6%	1212	5.9%	1230	5.9%
Research	6	4.5%	2187	10.6%	2193	10.5%
Pharmaceutical selection committee	14	10.6%	457	2.2%	471	2.3%
Therapeutics committee	12	9.1%	432	2.1%	444	2.1%
Make decisions about procurement	65	49.2%	4375	21.1%	4440	21.3%
Supervise other PAs	25	18.9%	1790	8.6%	1815	8.7%
Supervise clinical staff other than PAs	55	41.7%	4008	19.4%	4063	19.5%
Supervise non-clinical staff	22	16.7%	1893	9.1%	1915	9.2%
Precept PA students	37	28.0%	7601	36.7%	7638	36.7%
Precept students of other health professions	26	19.7%	5183	25.0%	5209	25.0%

*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

Table 3.15: Number and Percent Distribution of Clinically Practicing Respondents by Hours Worked per Week at Primary Clinical Job

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	132	100.0%	20724	100.0%	20856	100.0%
32 or more hours	113	85.6%	17933	86.5%	18046	86.5%
Less than 32 hours	19	14.4%	2725	13.1%	2744	13.2%
Hours not reported			66	.3%	66	.3%

Section IV: Information about Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Their Primary Clinical Job

Table 4.1: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Types of Patients Treated*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	76	100.0%	12547	100.0%	12623	100.0%
See some inpatients	6	7.9%	4147	33.1%	4153	32.9%
See some outpatients	74	97.4%	11417	91.0%	11491	91.0%
See some nursing home patients			732	5.8%	732	5.8%
See some other patients**	6	7.9%	464	3.7%	470	3.7%

*Data represent only respondents who reported complete information about both hours and visits for all patient types. Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents may see multiple types of patients.

**Other patients are those who were not classified as either outpatients, inpatients, or nursing home patients.

Table 4.2: Summary Measures of Total Hours Worked per Week for Primary Clinical Employer by Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	113	17933	18046
Mean	47.4	44.4	44.4
Standard deviation	12.9	7.9	8.0
10th percentile	36.4	36.0	36.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
Median	42.0	42.0	42.0
75th percentile	50.0	50.0	50.0
90th percentile	60.0	55.0	55.0

Table 4.3: Summary Measures of Hours Providing Direct Inpatient Care per Week for Respondents Who See Inpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	All Others	Total
Respondents	732	732
Mean	43.6	43.6
Standard deviation	7.7	7.7
10th percentile	35.0	35.0
25th percentile	40.0	40.0
Median	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	49.8	49.8
90th percentile	54.7	54.7

*Excludes time spent performing tasks other than providing direct patient care to inpatients.

Table 4.4: Summary Measures of Inpatient Encounters per Week for Respondents Who See Inpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job

	All Others	Total
Respondents	732	732
Mean	61.8	61.8
Standard deviation	43.1	43.1
10th percentile	16.0	16.0
25th percentile	30.0	30.0
Median	50.0	50.0
75th percentile	80.0	80.0
90th percentile	108.5	108.5

Table 4.5: Summary Measures of Hours Providing Direct Outpatient Care per Week for Respondents Who See Outpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	43	6304	6347
Mean	40.0	39.3	39.3
Standard deviation	6.9	5.6	5.6
10th percentile	34.4	34.0	34.0
25th percentile	35.0	35.0	35.0
Median	40.0	40.0	40.0
75th percentile	40.0	40.0	40.0
90th percentile	50.6	45.0	45.0

*Excludes time spent performing tasks other than providing direct patient care to outpatients.

Table 4.6: Summary Measures of Outpatient Visits per Week for Respondents Who See Outpatients Exclusively for a Minimum of 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	43	6304	6347
Mean	81.7	96.1	96.0
Standard deviation	34.8	39.2	39.2
10th percentile	37.6	50.0	50.0
25th percentile	60.0	70.0	70.0
Median	80.0	100.0	100.0
75th percentile	100.0	115.0	115.0
90th percentile	125.0	150.0	148.4

Table 4.7: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Number of Hospitals in which PA Sees Patients

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	99	100.0%	16470	100.0%	16569	100.0%
None	59	59.6%	5953	36.1%	6012	36.3%
One	31	31.3%	7141	43.4%	7172	43.3%
Two	8	8.1%	1939	11.8%	1947	11.8%
Three	1	1.0%	838	5.1%	839	5.1%
Greater than three			599	3.6%	599	3.6%

Table 4.8: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job and See Some Hospital Patients by Number of Hospitals with Privileges Granted by Medical Staff

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	40	100.0%	10453	100.0%	10493	100.0%
None	1	2.5%	219	2.1%	220	2.1%
One	31	77.5%	6674	63.8%	6705	63.9%
Two	7	17.5%	2009	19.2%	2016	19.2%
Three	1	2.5%	891	8.5%	892	8.5%
Greater than three			660	6.3%	660	6.3%

Table 4.9: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Number of Hospitals in which PA is Member of Medical Staff

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	40	100.0%	10249	100.0%	10289	100.0%
None	16	40.0%	5603	54.7%	5619	54.6%
One	24	60.0%	3377	32.9%	3401	33.1%
Two			743	7.2%	743	7.2%
Three			308	3.0%	308	3.0%
Greater than three			218	2.1%	218	2.1%

Table 4.10: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Number of Hospitals in which PA is Member of PA Staff

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	40	100.0%	10249	100.0%	10289	100.0%
None	31	77.5%	5906	57.6%	5937	57.7%
One	7	17.5%	3416	33.3%	3423	33.3%
Two	2	5.0%	587	5.7%	589	5.7%
Three			206	2.0%	206	2.0%
Greater than three			134	1.3%	134	1.3%

Table 4.11: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Number of Hospitals in which PA is Member of Allied Health Staff

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	40	100.0%	10249	100.0%	10289	100.0%
None	29	72.5%	6096	59.5%	6125	59.5%
One	8	20.0%	2542	24.8%	2550	24.8%
Two	3	7.5%	869	8.5%	872	8.5%
Three			403	3.9%	403	3.9%
Greater than three			339	3.3%	339	3.3%

Table 4.12: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Number of Hospitals in which PA is Member of Other Staff Category

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	40	100.0%	10249	100.0%	10289	100.0%
None	37	92.5%	9815	95.8%	9852	95.8%
One	3	7.5%	336	3.3%	339	3.3%
Two			48	.5%	48	.5%
Three			23	.2%	23	.2%
Greater than three			27	.3%	27	.3%

Table 4.13: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Responsibility for Call

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	113	100.0%	17933	100.0%	18046	100.0%
Do not take call	56	49.6%	10910	60.8%	10966	60.8%
Take some call	34	30.1%	5905	32.9%	5939	32.9%
Take call, hours unknown	2	1.8%	149	.8%	151	.8%
Always on call	21	18.6%	969	5.4%	990	5.5%

Table 4.14 Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Types of Call Taken*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	113	100.0%	17933	100.0%	18046	100.0%
Do not take call	56	49.6%	10910	60.8%	10966	60.8%
Emergency department call	19	16.8%	1656	9.2%	1675	9.3%
Surgical call	7	6.2%	2121	11.8%	2128	11.8%
In-house call	7	6.2%	2009	11.2%	2016	11.2%
Other type of call	31	27.4%	3586	20.0%	3617	20.0%
Call taken, type not indicated	7	6.2%	133	.7%	140	.8%

*Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

Table 4.15: Summary Measures of Call Hours per Month for Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	34	5905	5939
Mean	141.2	98.6	98.8
Standard deviation	117.4	90.5	90.7
10th percentile	48.0	10.0	10.0
25th percentile	93.5	32.0	32.0
Median	111.0	72.0	72.0
75th percentile	154.5	140.0	140.0
90th percentile	315.0	216.0	216.0

*Includes only PAs who report taking call, but are not always on call.

Table 4.16: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Type of Base Pay Received*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	90	100.0%	15338	100.0%	15428	100.0%
No base pay	2	2.2%	132	.9%	134	.9%
Salary	69	76.7%	12336	80.4%	12405	80.4%
Hourly wage	15	16.7%	2765	18.0%	2780	18.0%
Other	4	4.4%	105	.7%	109	.7%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.17: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Types of Additional Compensation Received*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	85	100.0%	14726	100.0%	14811	100.0%
No additional pay	30	35.3%	4587	31.1%	4617	31.2%
Surgical assisting fees			321	2.2%	321	2.2%
Overtime pay	9	10.6%	2638	17.9%	2647	17.9%
Administrative pay	2	2.4%	390	2.6%	392	2.6%
Pay for on-call availability	10	11.8%	1216	8.3%	1226	8.3%
Pay for on-call services/events	4	4.7%	1203	8.2%	1207	8.1%
Bonus not based on performance	13	15.3%	2568	17.4%	2581	17.4%
Bonus based on performance of practice	10	11.8%	1918	13.0%	1928	13.0%
Bonus based on performance of PA	11	12.9%	3568	24.2%	3579	24.2%
Bonus based on something else	13	15.3%	1085	7.4%	1098	7.4%

*Excludes self-employed PAs. Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

Table 4.18: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job and Receive Incentive Pay Based on Productivity or Performance by Measures on Which Incentive is Based*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	17	100.0%	4406	100.0%	4423	100.0%
Bonus based on charges	5	29.4%	913	20.7%	918	20.8%
Bonus based on revenues	8	47.1%	2014	45.7%	2022	45.7%
Bonus based on relative value units	1	5.9%	521	11.8%	522	11.8%
Bonus based on profit	7	41.2%	1082	24.6%	1089	24.6%
Bonus based on number of visits or panel size	3	17.6%	782	17.7%	785	17.7%
Bonus based on quality of care	1	5.9%	603	13.7%	604	13.7%
Bonus based on patient satisfaction	1	5.9%	598	13.6%	599	13.5%
Bonus based on other factors	2	11.8%	353	8.0%	355	8.0%

*Excludes self-employed PAs. Percentages sum to more than 100 because respondents were instructed to mark all that apply.

Table 4.19: Summary Measures of Total Annual Income from Primary Employer for Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	91	15486	15577
Mean	\$90,605	\$78,184	\$78,257
Standard deviation	\$25,428	\$20,142	\$20,198
10th percentile	\$59,557	\$57,808	\$57,823
25th percentile	\$72,217	\$64,701	\$64,727
Median	\$89,534	\$74,238	\$74,264
75th percentile	\$108,259	\$87,016	\$87,113
90th percentile	\$126,103	\$103,461	\$103,614

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.20: Summary Measures of Total Annual Income from Primary Employer for Respondents Who Graduated in 2003 and Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job*

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	7	1756	1763
Mean	\$70,351	\$65,622	\$65,641
Standard deviation	\$7,465	\$11,874	\$11,862
10th percentile	\$56,810	\$52,578	\$52,626
25th percentile	\$68,344	\$58,811	\$58,813
Median	\$71,396	\$64,474	\$64,536
75th percentile	\$72,091	\$71,328	\$71,360
90th percentile	.	\$79,597	\$79,598

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.21: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Whether CME Funds Are Available from Primary Employer*

	Alaska		All Others		Total	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents	71	100.0%	12176	100.0%	12247	100.0%
Funds not available	15	21.1%	1505	12.4%	1520	12.4%
Funds available, amount known	43	60.6%	8434	69.3%	8477	69.2%
Funds available, amount unknown	13	18.3%	2237	18.4%	2250	18.4%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.22: Summary Measures of CME Funds Provided by Primary Clinical Employer for Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job and Receive CME Funding*

	Alaska	All Others	Total
Respondents	43	8434	8477
Mean	\$2,573	\$1,554	\$1,559
Standard deviation	\$1,381	\$783	\$791
10th percentile	\$1,000	\$500	\$500
25th percentile	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,000
Median	\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
75th percentile	\$3,500	\$2,000	\$2,000
90th percentile	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$2,500

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.23: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Source of Funds for Types of Insurance*

		Alaska		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents		73	100.0%	14864	100.0%	14937	100.0%
Professional liability insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	69	94.5%	14491	97.5%	14560	97.5%
	Employer pays 50-94%	1	1.4%	96	.6%	97	.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%			18	.1%	18	.1%
	PA pays 100%	3	4.1%	259	1.7%	262	1.8%
Individual health insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	45	54.9%	6991	50.4%	7036	50.5%
	Employer pays 50-94%	24	29.3%	4826	34.8%	4850	34.8%
	Employer pays 1-49%	4	4.9%	882	6.4%	886	6.4%
	PA pays 100%	9	11.0%	1164	8.4%	1173	8.4%
Family health insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	18	27.3%	2820	26.9%	2838	26.9%
	Employer pays 50-94%	22	33.3%	3643	34.7%	3665	34.7%
	Employer pays 1-49%	6	9.1%	1064	10.1%	1070	10.1%
	PA pays 100%	20	30.3%	2962	28.2%	2982	28.3%
Dental insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	29	35.4%	4139	31.5%	4168	31.6%
	Employer pays 50-94%	24	29.3%	4006	30.5%	4030	30.5%
	Employer pays 1-49%	5	6.1%	1168	8.9%	1173	8.9%
	PA pays 100%	24	29.3%	3807	29.0%	3831	29.0%
Disability insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	37	51.4%	5746	44.5%	5783	44.5%
	Employer pays 50-94%	11	15.3%	2189	16.9%	2200	16.9%
	Employer pays 1-49%	3	4.2%	969	7.5%	972	7.5%
	PA pays 100%	21	29.2%	4012	31.1%	4033	31.1%
Term life insurance	Employer pays 95-100%	35	49.3%	5045	41.4%	5080	41.4%
	Employer pays 50-94%	7	9.9%	1726	14.2%	1733	14.1%
	Employer pays 1-49%	5	7.0%	1052	8.6%	1057	8.6%
	PA pays 100%	24	33.8%	4363	35.8%	4387	35.8%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.

Table 4.24: Number and Percent Distribution of Respondents Who Work at Least 32 Hours per Week at Primary Clinical Job by Source of Funds for Select Expenses*

		Alaska		All Others		Total	
		Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Respondents		79	100.0%	13542	100.0%	13621	100.0%
Pension/retirement fund	Employer pays 95-100%	24	30.4%	3419	25.2%	3443	25.3%
	Employer pays 50-94%	13	16.5%	2800	20.7%	2813	20.7%
	Employer pays 1-49%	26	32.9%	4778	35.3%	4804	35.3%
	PA pays 100%	16	20.3%	2545	18.8%	2561	18.8%
State license fees	Employer pays 95-100%	53	67.9%	10210	70.9%	10263	70.9%
	Employer pays 50-94%	1	1.3%	215	1.5%	216	1.5%
	Employer pays 1-49%			99	.7%	99	.7%
	PA pays 100%	24	30.8%	3880	26.9%	3904	27.0%
DEA registration fees	Employer pays 95-100%	53	70.7%	8882	74.8%	8935	74.7%
	Employer pays 50-94%			119	1.0%	119	1.0%
	Employer pays 1-49%			60	.5%	60	.5%
	PA pays 100%	22	29.3%	2818	23.7%	2840	23.8%
NCCPA fees	Employer pays 95-100%	39	49.4%	9036	63.1%	9075	63.1%
	Employer pays 50-94%			201	1.4%	201	1.4%
	Employer pays 1-49%			114	.8%	114	.8%
	PA pays 100%	40	50.6%	4959	34.7%	4999	34.7%
AAPA dues	Employer pays 95-100%	31	39.7%	8979	63.3%	9010	63.1%
	Employer pays 50-94%	1	1.3%	186	1.3%	187	1.3%
	Employer pays 1-49%			119	.8%	119	.8%
	PA pays 100%	46	59.0%	4908	34.6%	4954	34.7%
State PA chapter dues	Employer pays 95-100%	29	38.2%	7356	56.1%	7385	56.0%
	Employer pays 50-94%			193	1.5%	193	1.5%
	Employer pays 1-49%			114	.9%	114	.9%
	PA pays 100%	47	61.8%	5452	41.6%	5499	41.7%
AAPA annual conference registration fees	Employer pays 95-100%	35	47.9%	7440	57.7%	7475	57.6%
	Employer pays 50-94%	6	8.2%	974	7.5%	980	7.6%
	Employer pays 1-49%	1	1.4%	564	4.4%	565	4.4%
	PA pays 100%	31	42.5%	3927	30.4%	3958	30.5%
Credentialing fees	Employer pays 95-100%	53	70.7%	10075	73.2%	10128	73.2%
	Employer pays 50-94%	1	1.3%	318	2.3%	319	2.3%
	Employer pays 1-49%			165	1.2%	165	1.2%
	PA pays 100%	21	28.0%	3208	23.3%	3229	23.3%

*Excludes self-employed PAs.