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Amend policy HP-3500.1.1 as follows:

AAPA believes the integrity of PA credentials should be assured through a credentialing AND, WHERE APPLICABLE, A PRIVILEGING process ALIGNED WITH THE PHYSICIAN PROCESS. Credentialing is a process for validating the background and assessing the qualifications of healthcare professionals to provide healthcare SERVICES IN AN INSTITUTION, MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION, OR PROVIDER NETWORK. ~~in a variety of patient care settings.~~ PRIVILEGING IS THE PROCESS THAT HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS EMPLOY TO AUTHORIZE PRACTITIONERS TO PROVIDE SPECIFIC SERVICES TO THEIR PATIENTS. Privileges granted to PAs should be consistent with state laws and regulations and hospital bylaws.

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