



Siskin Spine & Rehabilitation Specialist

A Partnership for Quality Care:

Your Physician, Your Physician Assistant & You

One of the strengths of Siskin Spine & Rehabilitation Specialist is that our four physicians work closely with a team of well-educated, highly skilled physician assistants to serve and treat our patients. As you are cared for by our practice, it is highly likely that you will be seen at times by a physician assistant, especially for follow-up care.

The modern physician assistant—commonly called a PA—is a health care professional who is licensed, certified and widely accepted by medical associations, hospitals, government regulators and insurance companies as essential, professional members of today's medical care team. Physician assistants work in close partnership with your doctor, and always under your doctor's supervision, to care for your needs.

When you are seen by a physician assistant, there are four important things to remember:

1. Your doctor is still your doctor. Even though your physician may not see you personally every visit, he remains involved and responsible for your care. Your PA and your physician consult regularly, and your PA calls your physician's attention to questions and areas of special concern.
2. As your PA cares for you, he or she follows a treatment plan established by your doctor. The PA examines your progress, answers your questions, adjusts your medications and helps keep you on track toward recovery.
3. The quality of your care is never compromised. A PA is a skilled and experienced professional who provides a high level of care and patient service. Many patients, in fact, often prefer to see a PA once a relationship is established.
4. Your PA is educated and skilled to focus on you. Talk with your PA with way you would any doctor. Ask questions. Tell your PA about any problems and the progress of your treatment and recovery.

Thank you for your trust in our practice. The goal of our physicians and our physician assistants are to serve you to the best of our combined abilities. If at any time during your treatment you have concerns about your care, please speak up and let us know. We genuinely care about you.

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