



# SOUTH DAKOTA PA PRACTICE PROFILE



American Academy of  
Physician Associates

Number of PAs  
in South Dakota:

**700+**

Number of PAs  
in the United States:

**190,000**

**Percent of PAs  
by Specialty  
in South Dakota**



- 30.6% Family medicine
- 25.0% Surgical subspecialties
- 19.4% All other specialties
- 8.3% Internal medicine subspecialties
- 8.3% Emergency medicine
- 5.6% General peds, general IM
- 2.8% Urgent care

**Percent of PAs  
by Setting  
in South Dakota**



- 61.1% Physician office or clinic
- 30.6% Hospital settings
- 8.3% Other settings

## In South Dakota:

- 47.2% of South Dakota PAs serve in rural areas
- A typical PA completes 50 patient visits per week
- A typical PA is on call 60 hours per month

## One PA Program in South Dakota:

- University of South Dakota

**36.1%**  
of PAs specialize  
in Primary Care

**27.8%**  
of PAs are employed  
by a Physician Group  
or Solo Practice