## UPMC Clinical Scope of Practice Request Criteria Summary Sheet

Facility: UPMC St. Margaret, Harmar Outpatient Center

**Specialty: PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT** 

TRAINING/ CERTIFICATION	A Physician Assistant (PA-C) shall be a graduate of an approved program. The PA-C shall be required to show proof that he or she is licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and shall be required to maintain that licensure and to inform the hospital when licensure re-examinations are required and the results of the re-examinations. A PA-C hired after graduation from an approved school, but prior to having taken the national certified examination, shall notify the hospital of their results on the national certifying examination. The supervising physician shall be required to show proof that he or she is licensed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a supervising physician.
OTHER	Documentation of training and experience must be provided
	Prescriptive Authority
	The agreement between a prescribing PA and a supervising physician contemplates only an agreement between a prescribing PA and an allopathic physician licensed by the State Board of Medicine.
	In order to <u>maintain</u> prescriptive authority, a PA must demonstrate that he or she has completed a minimum of <u>16 hours</u> of continuing education in advanced pharmacology per biennium. The course or courses must be approved by the State Board and must be completed within the two years prior to the biennial renewal date of the PA's certification. The continuing education requirements will begin with the license renewal.