

**UPMC  
Clinical Scope of Practice Request  
Criteria Summary Sheet**

**Facility:** UPMC Horizon

**Specialty:** SURGICAL ASSISTANT

<b>TRAINING/ CERTIFICATION</b>	<p><b><u>Surgical Technologist</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Successful completion and graduation from a surgical technology educational program accredited by the Committee on Allied Health Education and Accreditation (CAHEA).</li> <li>2. Current certification by the AST</li> <li>3. Attendance of a four month program in the United States that can be either accredited or non-accredited. Only a diploma will be required by the LCC-ST to sit for the certifying boards if your program was accredited. More documentation including your diploma, letters or references and number of actual cases assisted in are required if your program was non-accredited.</li> <li>4. Successful completion of additional specialized training beyond that of a CST through formal education programs, preceptorships or a combination of these meeting national standards to function as a surgical first assistant.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Surgical Assistant:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Licensed Practical Nurse with graduation from an accredited practical nurse education program.</li> <li>• Successful completion of the licensing examination and NAPSES Pharmacology examination by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.</li> <li>• A current state license as a Licensed Practical Nurse.</li> </ul>
<b>OTHER</b>	N/A