UPMC Altoona

Discipline	Educational Requirements	Competency Related Criteria	Other General Criteria
Physician Assistant Certified	Current Physician Assistant certification by the Pennsylvania State Board of Medical Education & Licensure.	Completed application & Delineation of Clinical Functions form submitted by employing physician.	Evidence of adequate professional liability insurance required by the Board.
	2. Certification by the National Commission on the Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA).	2. Three (3) references providing evidence of acceptable clinical experience.	2. Evidence that the employing physician & at least one (1) additional physician (osteo supervising physician 2 addtl) are registered with the Pennsylvania Board of Medical Education & Licensure as supervising physicians.
	3. Current Basic Cardiac Life Support – at a minimum completion of Course "A".	3. Completion of Clinical Interview with Physician Assistant peer reviewer.	3. Agree to abide by appropriate rules & regulations governing Physician Assistants as outlined in the Medical Staff Bylaws, Rules & Regulations.
		4. Provisional period of one (1) year is required. Written evaluation must be completed at the end of the provisional year by the Physician Assistant peer reviewer indicating that the Physician Assistant has	4. Agree to abide by Pennsylvania State Board of Medical Education & Licensure Rules & Regulations for Physician Assistants.
		demonstrated appropriate skills to carry out the clinical functions as stated. The provisional period may be extended for an additional six (6) months as deemed necessary by the	5. Copy of approved State mandated "Work Agreement" filed with State Board of Medicine.
		appropriate Medical Staff Department.	6. Signed statement of overall responsibility by employing physician.
		5. Periodic review will be every two (2) years.	
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Specialty: Physician Assistant—Additional Criteria

Knowledge			
TRAINING	See UPMC Altoona Credentialing Criteria for Physician Assistant		
CERTIFICATION	See UPMC Altoona Credentialing Criteria for Physician Assistant		
OTHER	1. Direct Supervision is required for Temporary Transvenous Pacer Wire Removal Only; All other permanent pacer wire removals must be under Personal Supervision.		