

**UPMC
Delineation of Privileges Request
Criteria Summary Sheet**

Facility: UPMC Mercy

Specialty: **PODIATRY**

KNOWLEDGE	The successful completion of a school of Podiatric medicine approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME)
TRAINING	The successful completion of an approved (CPME) post graduate residency program in Podiatry
CERTIFICATION	The applicant must be board qualified by the American Board of Podiatric Surgery with Board Certification obtained within five years of Board Eligibility.
OTHER	<p>Demonstration of prior competent performance of each requested procedure and submission of operative reports reflecting procedures performed during residency or prior experience.</p> <p>Initial applicants to the medical staff requesting podiatric surgical procedures must provide documentation of the performance of at least 50 podiatric surgical procedures in the last two years.</p> <p>Applicants for reappointment requesting podiatric surgical privileges must provide documentation of performance of a minimum of 25 podiatric surgical cases since their last reappointment period.</p> <p>When requesting an upgrade of surgical procedures, reinstatement of a surgical procedure or a specialty procedure, proven documentation of training is required. Acceptable documentation may be in the form of a certificate from an approved training course for the procedure requested or operative reports in which the applicant has been present as the first assistant. The number of required operative reports is dependent on the procedure requested and ranges from a minimum of 10 to a maximum of 25.</p> <p>Applicants requesting ORIF and procedures requiring AO fixation must provide proof of adequate residency training and experience with the utilization of internal fixation methods. Without documented residency training, the applicant must provide an AO/ASIF certificate for internal fixation and/or AO/ASIF certificate for the ORIF of fractures as provided by AO North America, and/or The American College of Foot & Ankle Surgeons. Acceptable documentation may include but is not limited to</p>

Podiatric Comprehensive Courses and Podiatric Advanced Courses, but does not include courses with limited focus on these techniques such as Arthroscopy, and Minimally invasive techniques.

Initial documentation of the performance of at least 20 digital, forefoot, and soft tissue procedures

Initial documentation of the performance of at least 20 advanced forefoot and simple rearfoot procedures.

Initial documentation of the performance of at least 10 rearfoot procedures

CO2 Laser- Documentation of current competence must be submitted for each privilege requested

Requirements for Laser Privileges

A podiatrist must be a member in good standing of the medical staff of the Mercy Hospital of Pittsburgh and must satisfy the requirement for operating room privileges. The applicant should submit at least one of the following

A certificate attesting completion of an approved course of laser surgery. This course should:

- Include principles of laser physics, safety, and tissue interactions
- Consist of a minimum of eight (8) approved CME credits
- Include a minimum of eight (8) hours of hands on experience with lasers on different tissue models
- Be pertinent to the specialty of podiatric surgery
- Specify the particular type of laser used.

Residency trained applicants:

A letter from the director of the approved residency training program documenting laser experience during residency training. This letter should include documentation of training in laser physics, safety and tissue interactions

Types of laser/lasers used

A minimum of fifteen (15) laser cases performed under supervisor during residency training