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PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT Delineation of Privileges

Applicant Name: _____
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The exercise of all privileges may occur only in the context of the medical staff bylaws, rules and regulations, and hospital policies and within education/certification and based on the supervising physician's scope of practice. Expanded scope of practice may be requested with documentation of education, training and competency to support special privileges requested. The request should be done prior to performing the procedures and upon attaining competency the applicant must submit appropriate paperwork for approval to exercise the privilege independently.

GENERAL PRIVILEGES

Physician assistants may practice within the generally recognized scope and standards as defined by rule and consistent with professionally recognized preparation and education standards and in accordance with the physician assistant's delegation of services agreement. Physician assistant practice includes:

- Maintenance and promotion of health and prevention of disease,
- Diagnosis, treatment, correction, consultation, and/or referral for health problems,
- Prescription or administration of prescription drugs or devices (local anesthesia, schedule IV-V controlled substances; and schedule II-III controlled substances in accordance with a consultation and referral plan,
- Physical assessment of patients including patient and family histories as well as performance and documentation of the history and physical examination,
- Plan, order, implement and follow-up appropriate treatment regimens to include differential diagnosis, family psychosocial needs, and providing appropriate treatment and care, which may include laceration repair and foreign body removal from soft tissue, body orifices and superficial ocular.
- Order laboratory and diagnostic tests,

CORE CRITERIA:

Completion of an accredited physician assistant training program
Board certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants
Unrestricted Utah physician assistant license
Unrestricted Utah controlled substance license
Federal DEA certificate with Utah practice address
BLS, ACLS, NALS, NRP certification as required by department
BLS certification is required in **Dermatology and Psychiatry**
ACLS is required in the **Emergency Department and Cardiology**
BLS, ACLS and ATLS is required in **Trauma Surgery**
(BLS/ACLS required at the time of application, ATLS required
Within six months of initial employment in **Trauma Surgery**)

Please check the appropriate boxes for only the patient care services to be provided at the University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics.

For any specialty specific privileges requested any combination of the following documentation - education, training, procedure logs, proctoring, etc. - is required to establish competency. For any practitioner that cannot document current competency for a requested privilege, the Focused Professional Practice Evaluation

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policy shall be initiated which requires three proctored cases of the requested privilege within the first 90 days following approval of the privilege. Approval by the physician assistant's supervising physician is also required.

Specific criteria for the following procedures are required:

Arterial / central line placement: Immediate supervision required; may perform independently with documentation of 12 successful arterial catheter placements within the past two years; reappointment criteria requires documentation of 12 arterial catheter placements within the last reappointment cycle.

Moderate Sedation: Must complete U of U moderate sedation training module and obtain a passing score of 100% on post test.

Bedside Ultrasound: Documentation of attending a course in F.A.S.T. Ultrasound + 20 supervised sonographies, independent privileges must then be approved by the supervising physician.

Colposcopy: Requires documentation of course attendance, documented training and proctorship.

Cryotherapy: Requires documentation of course attendance, documented training and proctorship.

Ultrasound for fetal position: Requires documentation of course attendance and approval by the supervising physician.

Musculoskeletal Ultrasound: Requires documentation of course attendance and approval by the supervising physician.

Ordering of opioid PCA medications: After successful completion of online tutoring session supplied by Acute Pain Service

SPECIALTY SPECIFIC PRIVILEGES:

Bone Marrow Transplant/Hematology

- Bone marrow aspirate
- Bone marrow biopsy
- Skin biopsy
- Lumbar puncture
- Lumbar puncture with intrathecal chemotherapy
- Ommaya tap
- Ommaya tap with intrathecal chemotherapy
- Assist with bone marrow harvest

Cardiology

- Arterial catheter placement (central arterial and percutaneous arterial line)*
- Arterial puncture
- Assist in electrophysiology studies
- Assist in heart catheterization studies
- Assist in ICD placement
- Assist in permanent pacemaker placement
- DC cardioversion
- Incision closure
- Monitor diagnostic exercise tests
- Pacemaker and ICD interrogation and programming
- Synchronized DC cardioversion
- Moderate sedation
- Implantable loop recorder placement
- Tilt table testing

Dermatology

- Shave, punch and excisional biopsies (benign and malignant)
- Electrodesiccation with or without curettage

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- Cryosurgery
- Excisions with intermediate closure
- Una-boot placement and management
- Stasis ulcer management
- Local blocks
- Digital nerve block
- Laser surgery: Therapeutic
- Laser Surgery: Cosmetic
- UVA, UVB orders
- Excimer laser orders
- Blue light orders
- Chemical peels
- Nail plate surgery (evulsion, Biopsy, etc.)
- Vein sclerosis
- Tissue augmentation with dermal fillers
- Cutaneous lesions with chemotherapy
- Assist in surgery
- Tzank staining
- Ordering and management of immunosuppression
- Assist in MOHS micrograph surgery
- Kenalog intralesional injection
- Botox injections
- Wart destruction

Emergency Medicine

- Anoscopy
- Anterior nasal packing
- Arthrocentesis
- Bedside ultrasound F.A.S.T. (focused abdominal sonography in trauma) exams
- Closed reduction of extremity fracture/dislocation
- Extremity splinting
- Incision and drainage of soft tissue abscess
- Lumbar puncture
- Moderate sedation
- Nasopharyngoscopy
- Slit lamp examination
- Topical, local, dental blocks, and nerve block anesthesia for laceration repair, wound care and treatment of fracture/dislocation
- Spine clearance in accordance with guidelines

Medicine

- Anoscopy
- Arterial blood gas interpretation
- Central line placement
- Joint aspiration
- Lumbar puncture
- Paracentesis
- Punch biopsy
- Thoracentesis
- Tracheostomy decannulation
- Ventilatory management

Neonatology

- Arterial puncture
- Chest tube insertion

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- Endotracheal Intubation
- Exchange transfusion
- Lumbar puncture
- Mechanical ventilation
- Needle pneumopericardium
- Needle aspiration of pneumothorax
- Nutrition support
- Oxygen therapy
- Peripherally inserted central line (PICC)
- Peripheral arterial line
- Peritoneal aspiration
- Reduction exchange
- Suprapubic tap
- Thoracentesis
- Umbilical arterial catheter insertion
- Umbilical venous catheter insertion
- Ventricular reservoir tap

Neurology

- Order CT and MRI including special studies (SPECT, MRA, etc.)
- Doppler studies
- Ultrasonography
- EEG

Neurosurgery

- Access Ommaya reservoirs
- Lumbar puncture
- Placement of arterial lines
- Placement of lumbar drains
- Removal of extra-ventricular drains
- Assist in surgery

Obstetrics and Gynecology

- Administration of local and pudendal block
- Amniotic fluid index (AFI)
- Antepartum evaluation
- Augmentation of labor
- Biophysical profile (BPP)
- Directed biopsy of skin or perineum with or without sutures
- Colposcopy with biopsies and curettage
- Cryotherapy
- Endometrial biopsy
- First assist in obstetrical/gynecological surgery
- Internal and external fetal monitoring
- I&D of Bartholin's abscess with catheter insertion
- IUD insertion and removal
- Non-stress test (NST) and interpretation
- Normal labor and spontaneous delivery of fetus \geq 34 weeks gestation
- Post-partum evaluation
- Repair of 1st and 2nd degree vaginal and cervical lacerations
- Resuscitation of newborn (emergent) with documented training
- Sterile speculum examination
- Trigger point injections
- Ultrasound for fetal position with documented training

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Orthopedics

- Assist in surgery
- Cast and splint application
- Closed reduction of extremity fracture/dislocation with immediate supervision
- Dictate operative reports, discharge summaries, and clinic visits
- Emergency Room consultations
- Injection of bursa
- Inpatient care includes post-operative evaluations, dressing changes, ordering follow-up laboratory and other appropriate studies, ordering consultation from other services, dictation of discharge summaries, ordering medications for inpatient use and discharge medications, order discharge.
- Joint aspiration
- Joint injection
- Minor foot procedures
- Musculoskeletal ultrasound
- Sharp wound debridement
- Simple surgical procedure including nail removal and involves wound debridement in clinic (local anesthetic only),
- Transforaminal injection
- Topical, infiltration and nerve block anesthesia
- Trigger point injections

Palliative Care

- Assess patient and family psychosocial needs related to short term and long term diagnosis and prognosis
- Diagnose health problems
- Discharge planning in conjunction with referring physicians and case management to Include: referrals to home care and hospice, referrals to extended/skilled nursing care facilities, prescription for medical supplies for home care durable medical equipment, verbal report to medical directors who will assume care of discharged patients.
- Order opioid PCA medications

Psychiatry

- Establish baseline initial and subsequent diagnoses, and plan, order, implement, and follow-up with appropriate treatment regimen. Evaluate patients' presentations and determine differential diagnosis and prognosis. Assess family psychosocial needs related to short-term and long-term diagnosis and prognosis. Order appropriate treatment and care in accordance with approved guidelines or standards of care.
- Order medications in accordance with prescriptive license, controlled substance license and DEA certification Medications common to the practice include but are not limited to: Psychotropics, stimulants, sedative and hypnotics, analgesics and narcotics, hormones.
- Psychiatric assessment of patients to include performance of mental health examination and documentation of patient and family histories

Pulmonary

- Arterial blood gas interpretation
- Assist in bronchoscopy
- Central line
- Chest tube
- Intubation
- Pulmonary function tests
- Proctoring exercise tests

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- Thoracentesis

Surgery

- Arterial blood gases, drawing, and interpretation
- Arterial line placement (radial, femoral)
- Assist emergent cricothyroidotomy
- Assist in gastric tube placement
- Assist in bronchoscopy insertion for deep suctioning (trauma, cardiothoracic)
- Central line placement (subclavian, IJ, femoral)
- Cervical spine clearance in accordance with guidelines
- Chest tube placement and removal
- DHT placement with fluoroscopy
- Assist with DPL (Diagnostic peritoneal lavage)
- Drain removal (JP, accordion, etc)
- Emergent Endotracheal intubation
- F.A.S.T. ultrasound
- Incision and drainage of soft tissue abscesses
- Paracentesis
- Pulmonary artery catheter (SWAN) placement
- Pneumothorax needle thoracostomy
- Thoracentesis
- Assist in thoracotomy
- Topical, local, dental blocks, and nerve block anesthesia for laceration repair, wound care and treatment of fracture/dislocation
- Ventilatory management
- Assist in surgery
- Wound Vac placement / removal / change

Urology

- Biofeedback, electrical stimulation, and behavior modification
- Cystometrogram/EMG
- Prostate biopsy
- Cystoscopy
- Endorectal ultrasound
- Assist in surgery

I request the scope of privileges as indicated above and shall restrict my activities to the same. I am mentally and physically able to perform the scope of the privileges indicated above.

Date

Applicant Signature

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RECOMMENDATION BY:

As the supervising physician, I will provide supervision to the above named physician assistant to adequately serve the health care needs of the practice population and ensure that patients' health, safety, and welfare will not be adversely compromised.

Date

Consulting/Collaborating Physician Signature

Date

Division Chief Signature

Date

Department Chair Signature

Date

Interdisciplinary Credentials Committee

APPROVED BY:

Date

Medical Board

Date

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