

**Incoming PA Student Medical Clearance Form**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

This form must be completed by a licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner. Please be sure to complete this form in its entirety.

**Physical Examination Findings**

Please **check one** of the boxes below to indicate your recommendation related to your history and physical examination findings.

- This student is free of any physical or mental impairment(s) which may pose a potential risk to him/herself or to patients or which may interfere with the performance of clinical responsibilities. The essential technical requirements to perform clinical responsibilities are attached to this form.
- This student can perform clinical responsibilities safely, subject to the following accommodations(s):
- This student cannot be cleared to practice in a clinical environment at this time.

**Immunizations**

Please **check one** of the boxes below to indicate your findings regarding the student's compliance with the UVU PA program's immunization requirements specified on the attached "Instructions for Healthcare Provider"

- This student has completed all required immunizations within the timeframe indicated
- This student has not completed all required immunizations within the timeframe indicated

**Signature**

The Provider signature below certifies that you have taken a history and performed a comprehensive examination as described in the attached "Instructions for Healthcare Provider." It also attests that the immunization information provided is accurate.

Provider Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Provider Name \_\_\_\_\_ Credentials \_\_\_\_\_

Stamp:

Office phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

## **TECHNICAL STANDARDS**

The goal of the program is to prepare students to become a competent, caring physician assistant possessing the skills for lifelong learning necessary to incorporate new knowledge and methods into medical practices required to adapt to the changing professional environment. All students admitted to the program are expected to continually demonstrate the specific technical standards specified below. These technical standards are considered to be prerequisites for admission, for progression throughout the program, and to qualify for graduation from the UVU PA Program.

Every physician assistant student must be able to perform independently, with or without reasonable accommodation, a diversity of skills related to effective performance as a professional student and health care practitioner in training. A detailed description of those essential functions and technical standards required of each physician assistant student are described below:

- A. **OBSERVATION:** PA students must have the ability to observe and participate as appropriate in the lecture hall, laboratory, and in the spectrum of clinical environments. This includes all outpatient, inpatient, emergency department, and operating room settings. They should also possess the ability to use their other somatic senses as needed to enhance their ability to accurately observe and interpret these situations.
- B. **INTELLECTUAL ABILITY AND CAPACITY:** PA students must be able to learn, analyze, synthesize, problem solve, reason and come to logical conclusions both in the didactic and clinical phase. They are expected to remain alert and attentive at all times in didactic and clinical settings.
- C. **COMMUNICATION:** PA students must be able to practice effective, professional verbal and non-verbal communication skills with other students, faculty, preceptors, and patients. This includes building trust, being sensitive, and using discretion with personal and sensitive information in all situations. Additionally, PA students must have the ability to work effectively in groups with other students and with other healthcare professionals.
- D. **MOTOR:** PA students must be able to complete a full physical exam and basic clinical procedures. They must also be able to manipulate the equipment, instruments, apparatus, or tools required to collect and interpret data appropriate to the domain of study, practice, or research. Students must be able to respond to emergency situations in a calm and timely manner, and must always adhere to universal precautions in all clinical settings.
- E. **BEHAVIORAL:** Enrollment in a PA program can be stressful and requires the ability to handle a significant workload. All PA students must have the physical and emotional stamina to commit to their education and maintain a high level of function. PA students must also be able to accept criticism and have the ability to appropriately modify their behavior. They must understand the legal and ethical aspects of the practice of medicine and function within both the law and ethical standards of the medical profession.