West Virginia Board of Medicine Physician Assistant License Application Instructions

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Physician Assistant Licensure Requirements

Education	Proof of graduation from an accredited program of instruction for physician assistants with a baccalaureate or master's degree. ¹
Examination	Applicants must pass the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination (PANCE) administered by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA).
Certification	Applicants must hold current certification from the NCCPA or be licensed in good standing in a state that does not require a physician assistant to maintain national certification.
	Applicants must demonstrate professional competency and conduct through responses to 15 Professional Practice, Character, and Fitness Questions.
Professional Competency, Statutory	Applicants are required to request and submit to the Board the results of a fingerprint- based state and national/federal criminal history record check.
Requirements and Public Protection	Applicants must be physically and mentally capable of engaging safely in practice as a physician assistant.
	Applicants cannot have a suspended or revoked physician assistant license, certification or registration in any jurisdiction. The Board may also decline to issue a license to an applicant who is currently subject to any limitation, restriction, suspension, revocation or discipline concerning a physician assistant license, certification or registration in any jurisdiction.
Fee	Applicants must submit a nonrefundable application fee of \$250. Please do not send payment with your application. The West Virginia Board of Medicine accepts online credit card payments for all fees. Upon receipt of your application, the Board will send payment instructions via email.

¹ The education requirement may also be satisfied by: graduation from an approved program of instruction in primary health care or surgery prior to July 1, 1994; or through certification by the Board as a Type B physician assistant prior to July 1, 1983.

General Instructions for All Applicants

- 1. Please review these instructions carefully.
- 2. Prior to submitting your application and nonrefundable fee, confirm your eligibility for licensure.
- 3. The West Virginia Board of Medicine requires applicants to personally complete their Application and the WVBOM Photo Affidavit and Authorization for Release of Information. Any errors, omissions or misstatements are solely the responsibility of the applicant.
- 4. The analyst assigned to your application will send you a written status update upon initial screening, and periodically throughout the application process.
- 5. The West Virginia Board of Medicine thoroughly reviews your education, practice history, licensure, and any criminal record or disciplinary history. Any unusual circumstances or discrepancies in your application documents will require supplementation and/or other follow-up and may require additional processing time.
- 6. Applications which fail to complete in six months expire. Thereafter, a new application, including a new application fee, is required to pursue licensure.
- 7. Applications are subject to a continuous supplementation obligation. If any information changes during the application process (i.e. after you start the process and before a licensure decision is rendered or while practicing pursuant to a temporary license) you are obligated to update any and all application components affected by the change in information.
- 8. Complete applications will be presented to the Board for consideration of licensure at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Board meets 6 times a year, in January, March, May, July, September, and November. Meeting dates and agenda deadlines are published on the Board's website.
- 9. Some licensure applicants with unusual application circumstances may be required to meet with the Physician Assistant Committee of the Board in advance of licensure consideration.
- 10. This application requires the submission of your Social Security Number in order for the Board to comply with the reporting requirements of the National Practitioner Data Bank.
- 11. Some information in your application file is considered public information. Such information includes, but is not limited to your: identity; age (not date of birth); specialty; physician assistant program; graduation date; malpractice history; disciplinary history; city and state of residence; preferred contact information; and current work locations.
- 12. Please do not make legal commitments (such as purchasing a home, entering into lease agreements, or committing to practice start dates) based upon your expectation of licensure. Not all applicants receive a license, and license applications do not always complete within the anticipated time frame. Neither applicants nor the Board can control the time frame in which third parties submit required documentation. The Board does not expedite one application in advance of another, nor does it issue licenses if an application is incomplete, or an applicant is ineligible.
- 13. Pursuant to W. Va. Code §30-1-27, a person shall be granted an occupational or professional license, registration, or certificate if the person has been licensed or certified in another state, the license, registration, or certificate is in the same discipline and at the same practice level as the license, registration, or certificate for which the person is applying in this state and the person meets other conditions prescribed by W. Va. Code §30-1-27. This licensure pathway is available to physician assistants who: (1) hold an unrestricted PA licensure in another state that was granted pursuant to a state licensure process (not a compact license) in accord with the state's PA license eligibility requirements; (2) have no disqualifying professional discipline or criminal history; and (3) establish residency in West Virginia OR are the spouse of an active duty member of the US armed forces and are accompanying the spouse to an official permanent change of duty station to a military installation in West Virginia. If you believe you qualify to apply for licensure pursuant to this pathway, please contact the Board for more information on this license type.

Additional Instructions - Physician Assistant Application

- 1. Personally complete and sign the Physician Assistant License Application. The Board accepts applications which are completed and signed within 30 days of submission to the Board.
- 2. Answer all questions truthfully and completely, and provide all requested supplemental information. Be sure to:
 - a. Provide your personal email address and accurate contact information.
 - b. List all of your states of licensure. If you need additional space, use the additional form provided.
 - c. Provide a complete Chronology of Activities that begins after your graduation from physician assistant school through the date you submit your application. If you need additional space, use the additional form provided.
 - d. Sign and date pages 5 and 6.
- 3. Mail the following application components directly to the Board:
 - a. Completed application with your original signature on pages 5 and 6.
 - b. An original WVBOM Photo Affidavit and Authorization for Release of Information.
 - c. A legible copy of your physician assistant diploma.
 - d. An acceptable identity document (birth certificate, certificate of naturalization or passport).
 - e. A certified National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) self-query report. Your report must have been generated with thirty days of the date you provide it to the Board. Instructions for Self-Query requests are located at <u>https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/ext/selfquery/SQHome.jsp</u>. You may forward a digital copy of the certified self-query report to the Licensure Analyst assigned to your application, The Board does not accept paper copies or uncertified digital copies.
 - f. Documentation of:
 - 1. Your current certification by the NCCPA; or
 - 2. Verification that you were previously certified by NCCPA and that you hold a current license in good standing from a state that does not require a physician assistant to maintain NCCPA certification.
- 4. Pay the nonrefundable application fee of \$250 online. The West Virginia Board of Medicine accepts online credit card payments for all fees. Upon receipt of your application, the Board will send payment instructions via email. Please do not send payment with your mailed application.
- 5. Cause the following to be provided directly to the West Virginia Board of Medicine by other entities:
 - a. Physician Assistant Education Verification Form to be submitted by your college or FCVS.
 - b. Verification of Licensure to be submitted by each state or jurisdiction where you are, or have ever been, licensed. Please check each Board's website for instructions on how to request licensure verification.²
 - c. A copy of your PANCE score report. Visit the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants' (NCCPA) website at <u>www.nccpa.net</u> to electronically release your PANCE score to the Board. Letters verifying certification or the PANRE score will not be accepted in lieu of a score report.
 - d. The results of a fingerprint-based state and national/federal criminal history record check. The Board is not permitted to utilize background checks performed for other entities. Fingerprinting services are provided by IdentoGo for a fee of \$45.75. The 6-digit service code for the West Virginia Board of Medicine is 228Q9Z. Complete instructions are available on the Board's website here: https://wvbom.wv.gov/Criminalhistory.asp.

² The Board also accepts verification of licensure from VeriDoc, for states that use this service.

WVBOM Photo Affidavit and Authorization for Release of Information

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First:	Middle:		Last:		Suffix:	
Identifying Characteristics	Profession Type:	□ MD	DPM	□ PA		
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Authorization for Release of Application Status						
The person(s) listed below have my permission to check on the status of my application for a West Virginia license. I understand that I may revoke this authorization, in writing, at any time during the application process. (If you do not want to authorize anyone else to receive status updates, please leave this section blank.)						

Type or print name clearly	Type or print name clearly
Applicant's Signature:	<mark>Date</mark> :
	(mm/dd/yyyy)

Notarized Affidavit and Authorization for Release of Information

I, the undersigned, being duly sworn, hereby certify under oath that I am the person named in this application, that all statements I have made or shall make with respect thereto are true, that I am the original and lawful possessor of and person named in the various forms and credentials furnished or to be furnished with respect to my application, and that all documents, forms, or copies thereof furnished or to be furnished with respect to my application are strictly true in every aspect.

I acknowledge that I have read and understand the Licensure Application I submitted to this Board and have answered all questions contained in the application truthfully and completely. I further acknowledge that failure on my part to answer questions truthfully and completely may lead to my being prosecuted under appropriate federal and state laws.

I authorize and request every person, hospital, clinic, government agency (local, state, federal, or foreign), court, association, institution, or law enforcement agency having custody or control of any documents, records, and other information pertaining to me to furnish to the Board any such information, including documents, records regarding charges or complaints filed against me, formal or informal, pending or closed, or any other pertinent data, and to permit the Board or any of its agents or representatives to inspect and make copies of such documents, records, and other information in connection with this application.

I hereby release, discharge, and exonerate the Board, its agents or representatives, and any person, hospital, clinic, government agency (local, state, federal, or foreign), court, association, institution, or law enforcement agency having custody or control of any documents, records, and other information pertaining to me of any and all liability of every nature and kind arising out of investigation made by the Board.

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I will immediately notify the Board in writing such a change occurs at any time prior to a lice					this application if
I understand my failure to answer questions co or other disciplinary sanction of my license or			fully and comple	etely may lead to	denial, revocation,
				Applicant's	s printed legal name
		Applicant'	s signature (must	be signed in the p	resence of a notary)
	Date (must be dated	d in the prese	nce of a notary a	nd correspond to c	late of notarization)
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My Notary Commission Expires:				-	
	Practice I	nformati	on		
Do you have proposed practice plans for We If yes, please describe your practice plans an	6	YES \Box location:	NO		
Plans:		Location _			
Do your practice plans involve practice via to	elehealth?	YES	NO		
Are you currently working as a provider? If no, how long have you been absent from c	linical practice?	YES	NO		
	FOR MDs AN	D DPMs	ONLY		
List your area of practice specialty:			Are you board	certified? YES	□ NO
If yes, please list your certifying board: _					
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Personal Information – In accord with federal law, please be advised that disclosure of your Social Security Number is MANDATORY in order for the Board to comply with the requirements of the federal National Practitioner Data Bank. Please be advised that contact information may be subject to release by the Board in response to a public records request.

Legal Name:					
First		Middle		Last	Suffix
Alternate Name(s):					
First		Middle		Last (Maiden)	
Date of Birth:	(mm/dd/yyyy)) Social Security	Number:		
Please select the type of ident	tity document you	have enclosed with	your application:		
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Applicant Name: _____

Examination and Certification

Date you passed the NCCPA's Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination (PANCE):

Please select the appropriate option regarding your current NCCPA certification status:

□ I have never held NCCPA certification.

- □ I am currently certified by the NCCPA: NCCPA Number:_____Expiration Date: _____
- □ I am not currently NCCPA certified, but I am currently licensed in the following state that does not require maintaining NCCPA certification for licensure:

State:	License No.:	Expiration Date:	

State Licensure History - If you have not already done so, please request verification of each of your licenses, regardless of current status. The verifying authority will submit your license verifications directly to the Board.

Have you ever been denied a license, certification or registration to practice in another jurisdiction?

 \Box Yes \Box No

Have you ever withdrawn a license, certification or registration application in another jurisdiction?

 \Box Yes \Box No

Have you ever had a physician assistant license, certification or registration suspended or revoked in any jurisdiction?

 \Box Yes \Box No

Licensure - Do you or have you ever held a license, certification or registration to practice in another jurisdiction?

 \Box Yes \Box No

Please list all licenses, certifications, or registrations you have received in all other states or jurisdictions, regardless of the current status of that license (i.e., active, inactive, lapsed, expired, revoked, suspended, surrendered, etc.) and list any state or jurisdiction in which you have ever applied for a physician assistant license, including those where your application is pending or was denied or withdrawn. If you need additional space, please continue your information on the Additional Licenses Chart included in your application packet. While not required, alphabetization by state is appreciated.

State & Board Type (Allopathic or Osteopathic)	License Number	Status	Date Issued	Date of Expiration

PA Initial License Application

Applicant Name: _____

Chronology of Activity - List in chronological order all of your professional activities and/or places of employment since graduation from physician assistant school. This includes hospitals, teaching institutions, HMO's, private practice, corporations, military assignments, government agencies, locum tenens assignments, and employment outside of practice as a physician assistant. Also, include all periods of unemployment. If you need additional space, please continue your information on the Additional Chronology Chart included in your application packet. Please provide complete information. If you are a new graduate and have no professional activity after graduation, please check the new graduate box.

□ I graduated from my PA program within the last 60 days and I have no chronology of activity to report at this time.

Begin Date (mm/dd/yy)	End Date (mm/dd/yy)	Employment / Practice Location Name <u>and</u> Address	Description of Activity (PA work, non-PA work, vacation, seeking employment, etc)

Medical Corporation or Professional Limited Liability Company - Please list each medical corporation or professional limited liability company for which you are currently a shareholder, owner, member or partner.

I am not a shareholder, owner, member or partner of a medical corporation or a professional limited liability company.

Pr	rofessional Practice, Character, and Fitness Questions - Have you, in any jurisdiction, for any		
		Yes	No
1	been called before or appeared before any board or panel for discussions or questions concerning violations of the law or rules pertaining to PA practice, or for unethical conduct?		
2	been charged with or convicted of or pled nolo contendere to any felony or misdemeanor? <u>If your answer is yes</u> , submit with your application certified copies of all court records related to any such charges, pleas and/or convictions.		
3	been charged with or convicted of a violation of the Controlled Substance Act or any other federal, state or local law pertaining to the manufacture, distribution, prescribing, or dispensing of controlled substances? <u>If your</u> answer is yes, submit with your application certified copies of all court records related to any such charges, pleas and/or <u>convictions.</u>		
4	had limitations, restrictions or conditions placed upon your license to practice, or had your license to practice suspended, revoked or subjected to any kind of disciplinary action, including censure, reprimand or probation by a medical board, and/or are any disciplinary actions pending against you?		
5	voluntarily surrendered or limited your license to practice to a licensing board or equivalent authority?		
6	had any hospital privileges, limited, restricted, suspended, revoked, or subjected to any kind of disciplinary action, including censure, reprimand or probation? If your answer is yes, you must have the facility submit directly to the Board all documentation related to your answer.		
7	voluntarily resigned from any medical staff or voluntarily limited such staff privileges while under investigation by any health care institution or committee thereof or prior to any final decision by a hospital or health care facility's governing board?		
8	been denied the right to take an examination for certification or licensure in any state, or been ejected from any physician assistant examination?		
9	been denied certification or licensure to practice as a physician assistant?		
10	had your DEA registration restricted or removed?		
11	been convicted of Medicare or Medicaid fraud, and/or received any sanctions, including restriction, suspension or removal from practice imposed by an agency of the federal or state government?		
12	had any judgments or settlements arising from professional liability rendered or made against you? For each medical professional liability settlement or judgment you report, please provide: (1) the name of the patient(s) alleging medical professional liability; (2) the date of loss; (3) the date of the settlement or judgement; (4) the amount of the settlement or judgement against you; (5) the name of the insurance company providing coverage to you with respect to this claim; and (6) a brief description of the allegations and a summary of the care provided. Your application is incomplete until all of the requested information is submitted for each settlement and/or judgement.		
13	been addicted to, or received treatment for the use or misuse of, prescription drugs and/or illegal chemical substances, or been dependent upon alcohol or received treatment for alcohol dependency? (You may answer "no" if you are a participant in a written voluntary agreement with the West Virginia Medical Professionals Health Program, Inc., the West Virginia Board of Medicine designated physician health program.) If you answer yes and have gone through a rehabilitation program, you MUST have that program furnish this Board a report of your treatment and progress.		
14	had any interruption in your practice which might reasonably be expected by an objective person to currently impair your ability to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the medical profession in a manner consistent with standards of conduct for the medical profession?		
15	had anything occur which might reasonably be expected by an objective person to currently impair your ability to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the medical profession in a manner consistent with the standards of conduct for the medical profession?		

Professional Practice, Character, and Fitness Attestation - All of my responses to the questions on this page are truthful and complete. If I have "yes" responses, I have enclosed written explanations, with my original dated signature for each question, and I have enclosed or caused to be submitted all requested supporting documentation.

Original Signature: _____

PA Initial License Application

Applicant Name: _____

Child Support – The following certification is required by state law, and "making a false statement may subject the license holder to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, immediate revocation or suspension of the license." West Virginia Code § 48-15-303. If you answer "yes" to any of the below questions, and if further information is needed, you will be notified.

I certify, under penalty of false swearing, that:

		Yes	No
1.	I have a court ordered child support obligation.		
2.	I have a court ordered child support obligation and any arrearage amount equals or exceeds the amount of child support payable for six months.		
3.	I am the subject of a child support related subpoena or warrant.		

Application Certification

I understand that I am required to personally complete this application, and I am solely responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the information provided.

I have carefully read and understood the application instructions and all questions included on each page of this application, and I have answered all the questions completely, without reservations of any kind. I declare that my answers and all statements made by me herein are true and correct.

I understand the requirements and eligibility criteria for receipt of a physician assistant license, and agree that if I am unable to meet all these requirements, including the production of all required documents and materials, I will be denied licensure by the West Virginia Board of Medicine. I hereby certify that I am able to meet all these requirements for licensure in the State of West Virginia and that I will be able to produce all required documents and materials and that I will make no request of the Board for a waiver of any of the requirements, including the production of all required documents and materials. I understand that if I make any request for such a waiver, my request must and will be denied.

I understand that my application will not be considered until I produce all required application components. I understand that if this application is not completed within six (6) months my application will expire, and I must submit a new application to be considered for licensure in the future.

I understand that a license to practice as a physician assistant in West Virginia <u>does not</u> permit or authorize me to practice in this state until I have filed a proposed Practice Notification with the Board and I have received written authorization from the Board to practice in collaboration with physicians.

I understand that any license issued based on this application is contingent upon the truth of the statements contained herein. Should I furnish false or misleading information in this application, I hereby agree and understand that any such act shall constitute good cause for license denial and/or the subsequent revocation of my license.

I agree that I will supplement this application if any of my answers should change between now and when my application is considered for licensure.

Original Signature:_____

Date:_____

West Virginia Board of Medicine License Application Additional Licenses Chart

Applicant Name: _____

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To Be Completed by Applicant

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Legal Name:							
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Applicant's Signat	ure:		Signature	Date:	//		
I hereby certify the	at	(1)	Name of Gradu	ate)			
has satisfactorily co	completed years of physician assistant education at:						
Name of PA School:							
Address:		City:		State:	Zip:		
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*The Dean, Secretary or Registrar may delegate the completion of this form to other registrar staff members only if the form is accompanied by a Letter of Delegation from the delegating authority identifying the staff member(s) authorized to complete the form on behalf of the Dean, Secretary or Registrar. Program Directors may not delegate completion of this form to other program staff.