

Discipline	Educational Requirements	Competency Related Criteria	Other General Criteria
Physician Assistant Certified	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Current Physician Assistant certification by the Pennsylvania State Board of Medical Education &amp; Licensure.</li> <li>2. Certification by the National Commission on the Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA).</li> <li>3. Current Basic Cardiac Life Support – at a minimum completion of Course “A”.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Completed application &amp; Delineation of Clinical Functions form submitted by employing physician.</li> <li>2. Three (3) references providing evidence of acceptable clinical experience.</li> <li>3. Completion of Clinical Interview with Physician Assistant peer reviewer.</li> <li>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 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 appropriate Medical Staff Department.</li> <li>5. Periodic review will be every two (2) years.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Evidence of adequate professional liability insurance required by the Board.</li> <li>2. Evidence that the employing physician &amp; at least one (1) additional physician (osteosupervising physician 2 addtl) are registered with the Pennsylvania Board of Medical Education &amp; Licensure as supervising physicians.</li> <li>3. Agree to abide by appropriate rules &amp; regulations governing Physician Assistants as outlined in the Medical Staff Bylaws, Rules &amp; Regulations.</li> <li>4. Agree to abide by Pennsylvania State Board of Medical Education &amp; Licensure Rules &amp; Regulations for Physician Assistants.</li> <li>5. Copy of approved State mandated “Work Agreement” filed with State Board of Medicine.</li> <li>6. Signed statement of overall responsibility by employing physician.</li> </ol>

**Facility:** UPMC Altoona Surgery Center

**Specialty:** Physician Assistant—Additional Criteria

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