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Physician Assistant — Family Medicine

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Physician Assistant–Certified practicing full-spectrum family medicine at a rural Federally Qualified Health Center in northeastern Washington — preventive, acute, and chronic care for pediatric and adult patients in an underserved community, as an NHSC-funded clinician. Procedural scope spans the full spectrum of rural primary care — laceration repair, cyst removal, joint and trigger point injections, shave biopsies, and Nexplanon insertion and removal; trained in medications for opioid use disorder. A decade of sports medicine and orthopedics before PA practice: assistant athletic trainer with the Utah Jazz (NBA), clinical athletic trainer in pediatric orthopedics, and foot and ankle team lead and surgical first assist at University of Utah Health.

Family Medicine **Sports Medicine** **Rural & Underserved Care** **Orthopedics**

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Full-spectrum primary care — pediatric and adult
- Office procedures — joint & trigger point injections, laceration repair, cyst removal, shave biopsies, Nexplanon
- Quality improvement & peer review
- Casting and surgical first assist
- Musculoskeletal & sports medicine
- Medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD)
- Rural and underserved care delivery
- Preventive care & chronic disease management

EXPERIENCE

Physician Assistant — Certified, Family Medicine

Oct 2025 — Present

NEW Health Programs Association, Colville Medical Clinic — Colville, WA

- Full-spectrum primary care physician assistant (PCP) at a rural FQHC serving Stevens County — preventive, acute, and chronic care across the lifespan, pediatric through adult.
- Procedural practice spans the full primary care spectrum — laceration repair, cyst removal, joint and trigger point injections, shave biopsies, Nexplanon insertion and removal, casting and splinting.
- Participates in peer review and quality improvement as part of the provider role, and teaches within areas of expertise.
- Areas of focus: family medicine and sports medicine.

Clinical Athletic Trainer — Foot & Ankle

Jan 2020 — Apr 2023

University of Utah Health — Salt Lake City, UT, for Charles L. Saltzman, MD

- Foot and ankle team lead; first assist in complex foot and ankle surgical cases.
- New patient evaluations, post-operative follow-up, scribing, casting, and patient care management in a specialty clinic.

EXPERIENCE, CONTINUED

Clinical Athletic Trainer — Pediatric Orthopedics
Aug 2017 — Jan 2020

Primary Children's Hospital — Salt Lake City, UT, for Philip K. McClure, MD and Joshua B. Klatt, MD

- Clinical operations in pediatric orthopedics: scheduling, rooming, surgery coding, and scribing.
- Casting and surgical pin pulls as part of direct procedural patient care.

Assistant Athletic Trainer
Jul 2016 — Aug 2017

Utah Jazz (NBA) — Salt Lake City, UT

- Athletic training staff supporting an NBA roster — elite-level sports medicine, injury evaluation, and return-to-play care.

SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY

Master's project (co-author): "Cancer Screening Disparities in HIV Clinics: Addressing Preventive Care Gaps" — compared breast and colorectal cancer screening rates between the University of Utah HIV Clinic and Sugar House Health Center Family Medicine (2021–2023 data). JAAPA Student Poster Award (top three student posters), AAPA 2025.

EDUCATION

Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS)
University of Utah — conferred August 1, 2025

Clinical rotations: internal medicine, family medicine (incl. an international rotation in Guatemala), emergency medicine, general surgery, women's health, pediatrics, psychiatry; electives in sports medicine/PM&R and dermatology.

Master of Science, Exercise and Sport Science (Sports Medicine)
University of Utah — conferred May 5, 2016

Bachelor of Science, Athletic Training Education
University of Vermont, College of Nursing & Health Sciences — May 18, 2014

CERTIFICATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- PA-C — NCCPA board certified, 2025
- Washington State PA license
- DEA certificate
- BLS Healthcare Provider — expires Jan 2028
- MAT / buprenorphine training (AAAP PCSS) — 2024
- Nexplanon clinical training (Organon) — 2024
- Member, American Academy of Physician Associates (AAPA)
- Member, Washington Academy of Physician Assistants (WAPA)

Credential numbers available on request.