



DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDIES POLICY

POLICY NAME:	VERIFICATION OF PRECEPTOR BOARD CERTIFICATION						
RESPONSIBILITY For Development/Review:	<input type="checkbox"/> University Admin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dept. Chair/ Program Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Academic Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clinical Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Faculty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative Secretary
APPROVED BY:	DPAS Chair						
DATE CREATED:	5/17/2013						
DATE REVISED:	2/26/2025						
REVIEWED: Annually	2/26/2025						
SUPPORTIVE DOCUMENTS:	DPAS Student and Policy Handbooks						
OCCURANCE:	<input type="checkbox"/> Daily	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	<input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yearly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> As Needed	
PURPOSE:	To define the process of verification of preceptor board certification						
POLICY:	<p>The DPAS holds that supervised clinical practice experiences should occur with physicians who are specialty board certified in their area of instruction, or NCCPA certified PAs or other licensed healthcare providers qualified in their area of instruction. The DPAS makes every effort to ensure that this occurs. The department administrative secretary will maintain the preceptor files and required verification via copies of the provider's certificate or electronic verification.</p> <p>The DPAS makes and documents every effort by the clinical faculty to secure rotations with board certified preceptors. These efforts include contacting all established preceptors as well as attempting to obtain new preceptors. When all efforts are unsuccessful, the DPAS may need to utilize a site with a preceptor who is not board certified, but otherwise qualified. In this case, the DPAS has a policy to vet the preceptor to verify that the preceptor has the ability to provide student instruction, to ensure the program learning outcomes and rotation learning objectives can be met, and to further ensure that the clinical experience is equivalent to those with board certified preceptors.</p> <p>In the event a supervised clinical practice experience occurs with licensed health care providers qualified in their area of instruction, or physicians not board certified in their area of instruction, or physicians for whom board certification cannot be verified, or all other available options have been exhausted, the program may use the following evaluations to determine qualification for providing student instruction in the specialty area:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current licensure • Documentation of five years of practice in specialty • Verification of credentialing in a health care facility if applicable • Experience in precepting either fellows, residents, medical students, physician assistant students or nurse practitioner students 						

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrates adequate knowledge, skills and resources to support student experience as verified by DPAS principal faculty• Able to provide a valuable learning opportunity for the student that is comparable to other students in that specialty and enable students to meet program learning outcomes in area of instruction.
OTHER NOTES:	