Multispecialty Surgical Postgraduate Physician Assistant Program

Financial Information

Salary:
$74,000

Benefits:
- Three weeks paid vacation
- PA's are eligible for Bassett’s flexible benefits plan
- Financial support to attend national PA conference
- Six calendar holidays
- On-call food allowance
- Library services

Housing:
Assistance available in finding local housing.

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General Description

This program was developed in 2005 by surgical physician assistants in multiple subspecialties to train PA's in surgery to have a well-rounded background in general and specialty areas of surgery. The program is run by physician assistants and attending physicians at Bassett Healthcare Network. The regional network is comprised of six affiliate hospitals and 33 community health centers that serve an eight-county region in central New York. PA's spend most of their time in Cooperstown, N.Y., at Bassett Medical Center, a 180-bed acute care and inpatient teaching facility. Bassett has physician residencies in General Surgery, Primary Care, Internal Medicine and transitional year.

Currently, over 20 physician assistants practice within the Department of Surgery, including all of the subspecialties. The post graduate training program is 12 months in duration with didactic and clinical portions ongoing throughout the year. PA's will participate in grand rounds, surgical case presentation, surgical subspecialty conference, Morbidity and Mortality conference, Trauma conference and complete selected readings and/or attend conferences specific to each subspecialty rotation. The PA will be encouraged to be a self-motivated, lifelong learner. PA's rotate through general surgery, ICU/Cardiac Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Neurosurgery, Urology, Gynecology, Otolaryngology, and Anesthesia. They will have the opportunity to select one or two electives to complete during the last eight weeks of the program. PA's should plan to work 50-hours-a-week, plus one night of call every other week. They will have three weeks vacation.

Cooperstown is the home of the beautiful Glimmerglass Lake and State Park and the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

Admissions Process and Timetable

2 PA's are selected each year. Our goal is to accept individuals with specific surgical career goals.

Applications:
Available upon request. Accepted on a rolling basis.

Program Start Date:
Contingent on NYS license.

Entry requirements:
Applicants must be graduates of an ARC-PA approved program, NCCPA board certified, eligible for NYS license or current license.

Completed application to include three reference forms, CV, personal statement, official transcripts from college and PA school, copies of BLS and ACLS or other certification.