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## **EDUCATION**

SAMUEL MERRITT UNIVERSITY - Oakland, CA

December 2008

Master Physician Assistant

SAN FRANCISCO STATE UNIVERSITY - San Francisco, CA

May 2005

Post-Baccalaureate Pre-Med program

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO - Boulder, CO

May 1998

B.A. in Humanities (Art History and Italian)

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### WESTERN ORTHOPAEDICS - Denver, CO

October 2012 – Present

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT - Orthopedic Surgery

- PA to Hip Specialist Dr. Brian J. White MD.
- Evaluate, diagnose, and treat patients in both outpatient and inpatient settings.
- Interpret diagnostic imaging and lab data, manage treatment planning, perform steroid injections, and provide patient education.
- First assist for arthroscopic hip surgery and total joint arthroplasty.
- Manage inbox, callbacks, and follow-up care and perform administrative duties of clinic.
- Perform on-call duties: including coverage for 10 orthopedic surgeons, OR first assist, perform hospital rounding and orthopedic consults.

## KAISER PERMANENTE - Walnut Creek, CA

June 2009 - October 2012

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT - Orthopedic Surgery and Sports Medicine

- Evaluate, diagnose, and treat patients in both outpatient and inpatient settings. Perform H&P's for surgical/non-surgical patients.
- Diagnostic imaging (XR, CT, MRI) and lab interpretation, treatment planning, steroid injections, patient education, preventative medicine focus.
- Trauma clinic and fracture care including reductions, splinting/casting, surgical planning and follow up care.
- First Assist for arthroscopic surgery and total joint arthroplasty procedures (knee, hip, shoulder replacements and revisions).
- Provide pre and post-operative patient care management, including hospital rounding. Proficient with EMR.

## CALIFORNIA PACIFIC MEDICAL CENTER - San Francisco, CA

August 2004 - July 2006

CIRCULATORY SUPPORT and ANESTHESIA TECHNICIAN

- Assist perfusionists with Heart lung machine and H-L bypass surgery, including on-call responsibility.
- Perform auto-transfusion with cell-saver for orthopedic and organ transplant procedures.
- Monitor patients on ventricular assist devices (VAD) and intra-aortic balloon pumps (IABP).
- Assist anesthesiologists with equipment set-up, line placement, and patient monitoring during H-L bypass and organ transplant procedures.

# COEUR SCIENTIFIC INC. - Lafayette, CA

August 2004 - August 2005

MEDICAL RESEARCH ASSISTANT

- Surgical first assist with porcine subjects for isolated limb perfusion studies (Oximetric study 2004).
- Advanced operations of perfusion equipment and quality assurance/data processing (NovoSci study 2005).

### **BACKROADS INC.** - Berkeley, CA and Gaiole in Chianti, Italy

June 1999 - May 2004

ITALY CYCLING GUIDE, EMT, and TRIP DEVELOPMENT for active travel company.

VAIL RESORTS - Vail, CO

November 1998 - April 2002

VAIL PROFESSIONAL SKI PATROL, EMT

## **CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSURE**

NCCPA Board Certified Colorado PA License # 3390, California PA License # 20209 DEA # MK 1953315 BLS/AED for Healthcare Providers

#### ASSOCIATIONS

AAPA - American Association of Physician Assistants Member

CAPA - Colorado Association of Physician Assistants Member