Miriam K. Wiggins, PA-C Curriculum Vitae

Education

Springfield College Master of Science

Springfield College Bachelor of Science

Physician Assistant Certification

Springfield Technical Community College

Associate of Science

Respiratory Therapy Certification

Experience

Baystate Medical Center

Supervisor of Orthopedic Advanced Practitioners

- Provided comprehensive patient care for orthopedic trauma and general orthopedic surgery patients from the emergency department to discharge in collaboration with attending orthopedic surgeons
- Developed and implemented orthopedic trauma ER physician assistant training program
- Performance and documentation of history and physicals
- Repair of complex lacerations
- Performance of joint aspirations & injections, I&Ds, regional blocks, traction pin placement
- Performance of major reductions with splinting/casting of fractures and dislocations
- Surgical first assist in orthopedic trauma cases
- Performance of administrative duties which include: billing, organizing skills labs and conferences for continuing education of AP team members, employee evaluations, scheduling

New England Orthopedic Surgeons

Physician Assistant

- Performed inpatient and outpatient orthopedic consultations for trauma, foot and ankle, hand, total joint, spine and sports patients in collaboration with attending orthopedic surgeons
- Provided comprehensive patient care and services including aspirations, injections, I&Ds, regional blocks, reductions of minor fractures and dislocations, cast and splint applications, as well as ordering and interpretation of radiographic and lab studies
- Surgical first assist in foot and ankle, trauma, hand, sports, spine and total joint cases
- Development and implementation of orthopedic inpatient trauma PA orientation program

January 2018-Present

August 2002-May 2003

September 1997-May 2001

September 1993-June 1995

June 2006-January 2018

Providence Behavioral Health Hospital

Physician Assistant~Per Diem

- Performed inpatient medical history and physicals
- Evaluated chemically dependent patients and implemented opiate and alcohol detox protocols
- Performed orthopedic consultations, initiated treatment and arranged follow up care.

Baystate Medical Center

Physician Assistant~General Surgery/Trauma/Orthopedic Trauma

- Provided comprehensive inpatient care for general surgery and orthopedic trauma patients from emergency department presentation to discharge with attending and resident physician instruction and supervision
- Performance and documentation of history and physicals
- Placement of chest tubes and central lines, repair of lacerations with attending instruction and supervision
- Performance of reductions with splinting/casting of fractures and dislocations
- Surgical first assist in general surgery, trauma, and orthopedic trauma cases
- Completed ATLS course work and certification

Physician Assistant~Non-Invasive Cardiology

 Supervised cardiac stress testing of inpatients and outpatients including echocardiograms, treadmill, dobutamine and Persantine stress testing as well as nuclear imaging

Registered Respiratory Therapist

- Provided chest physical therapy/pulmonary hygiene
- Performed ventilator and airway management
- Performed arterial blood gases

Certifications/Licensure

NCCPA Certification

MA/CT Physician Assistant Licensure

MA/CT Controlled Substance Registration

DEA Registration

BLS/ACLS Certification

Publications

Orthopedic Inpatient Protocols ~ Ebook

August 2001-December 2016

June 1995-October 2001

August 2010

October 2001-July 2003

July 2003-June 2006