

UPMC APP Academy

Friday, Aug. 27–Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021

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Introduction:

This two-day, multidisciplinary interactive course aims to empower and enable advanced practice providers (APPs) to develop the knowledge, skills, and competencies to build successful and fulfilling careers both clinically and non-clinically.

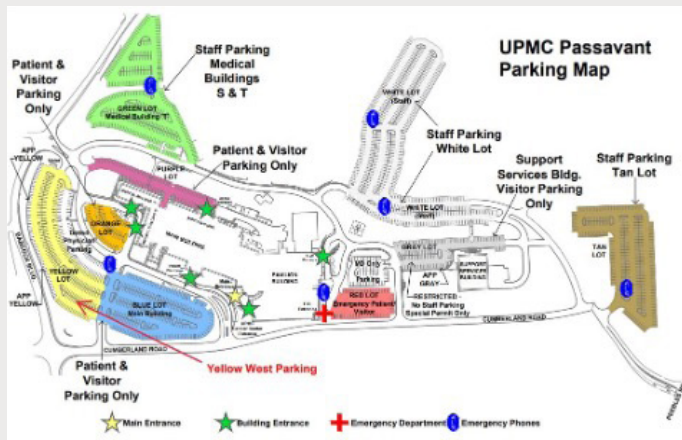
After surveying a group of 200 current APPs, the APP Council has carefully reviewed and selected the topics for this two-day course; based solely on the valued input from the current APPs. The course will aim to enhance leadership, clinical, and procedural skills by offering both virtual and in-person didactic and skill building sessions split between the two days of courses. The APP Council appreciates the responses we received from this survey and hopes that the material covered during these sessions will provide real-world benefits to all APPs as they grow and progress in their careers.

Learning Objectives:

- Expand clinical knowledge and technical skills regarding acute and critical care skills.
- Increase awareness of clinical management of COVID patient population in the hospital.
- Engage in professional development opportunities with UPMC leadership and the role of APPs.
- Enhance existing knowledge and learn new skills that can be further built upon in daily practice.
- Opportunity for direct demonstration, personalized instruction, and extensive hands-on practice in fundamental skills for the APP through a full day of simulation labs.

Parking

If you are a UPMC Passavant employee, park in your assigned lot. All other attendees, please park in the Yellow West parking lot.



Registration Fee Includes:

- AAPA, AANA, and ANCC credit
- Breakfast and lunch for in-person course days
- Opioid training hours
- Didactic materials provided
- UPMC gift
- Networking opportunities

Continuing Medical Education Credit:

In support of improving patient care, the University of Pittsburgh is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

NURSING (CNE)

The maximum number of hours awarded for this Continuing Nursing Education activity is **14.25** contact hours.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT (AAPA)

The University of Pittsburgh has been authorized by the American Academy of PAs (AAPA) to award AAPA Category 1 CME credit for activities planned in accordance with AAPA CME Criteria. This activity is designated for

14.25 AAPA Category 1 CME credits. PAs should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

OTHER HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

Other health care professionals will receive a certificate of attendance confirming the number of contact hours commensurate with the extent of participation in this activity.

Other Credits Awarded:

This program has been approved by the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists for 14 Class A CE credits. A certificate will be issued upon completion of the Learner Assessment and Program Evaluation.

Those attending the didactic session will receive credit for 1 hour of Opioid Training. A certificate will be emailed to participants upon completion of the post-course assessment.

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Friday, Aug. 27, 2021:

Didactic Sessions

UPMC Passavant, Assembly Hall

7:30 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8 a.m.

Welcome and Introduction

Alexandrea Bartow, MBA, MSN, ACNP-BC, CSSGB

8:20 a.m.

The COVID Experience

David Rice, MD

9 a.m.

What to give? What not to give?

Nicole Wheeler, MD

Libby Ernharth, MPAS, PA-C

9:45 a.m.

Break

9:55 a.m.

Identifying a Patient in Crisis: Shock, A Case Study

Lindsay Busch, MPAS, PA-C

10:45 a.m.

Learning to Identify Clinician Distress: Moral Injury

Eric Bridenbaugh, MPAS, PA-C, MBA

11:15 a.m.

**Difficult Conversations:
How to Discuss Code Status**

Ashley Reasey, MPAS, PA-C

12 noon

Lunch

12:30 p.m.

**The Business of Health Care:
Passavant Senior Leadership**

*Keith Lorenz, Vice President, Operations,
UPMC Passavant*

1 p.m.

**Katz Executive MBA in Healthcare:
Presentation and Panel Discussion**

Moderators: Allison Lewis, MBA, MSN, CRNA

1:45 p.m.

Surgical Prehabilitation

Stephen Esper, MD, MBA

2:30 p.m.

Pain Management Amidst an Opioid Crisis*

(1-hour of Opioid Training credit)

Kevin Luong, MPAS, PA-C, MBA

3:30 p.m.

APP Role in Leadership

Amy L. Haller, MPAS, PA-C, MBA

4 p.m.

Day 1 Closing Address

Megan Tomaino, MPAS, PA-C

4:15 p.m.

Adjournment

Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021:

Hands-On Skills Labs • Break-Out Sessions

7:30 a.m.

**Registration, Networking, and
Continental Breakfast, Assembly Hall**

8:15 a.m.

**Review of Procedure Stations, Rotation Schedule,
and COVID Precautions**

8:30 a.m.

Stations Begin

- Point-of-Care Ultrasound
- Fundamentals of Radiology
- Cardiology Review
- Suturing and Surgical Instruments
- Basic Airway Management
- Pigtail Catheter and Thoracentesis
- VATS Simulator (Preregistration only)

12:15 p.m.

Lunch

1 p.m.

Stations Continued

4:15 p.m.

APP Academy Conclusion, Donor Hall

Theresa Celender, MPAS, PA-C

4:20 p.m.

Adjournment

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