

Requisition Number: PRN26223B

Job Title: PS Physician Assistant

Working Title: Physician Assistant, Adult Congenital Heart Disease

Job Code: 0184

VP Area: U of U Health - Academics

Organizational Unit: 00849 - Pediatric Cardiology

Patient Sensitive Job Code? Yes

Pay Rate Range \$88,941 to \$126,365

Standard Hours Per Week: 40

Full Time, Day Shift

Quicklink for Posting: <https://utah.peopleadmin.com/postings/115610>

### **Job Summary**

The Division of Pediatric Cardiology at the University of Utah School of Medicine has an immediate opening for a Physician Assistant to provide primary care and treatment for adult patients with congenital heart disease (CHD) in the outpatient clinic and inpatient setting. This position will also assist in the transition of adolescent CHD patients from a pediatric model of care to an adult model of care. If you are interested in being part of a department whose mission is to improve the lives of adults with congenital heart disease, we invite you to consider the opportunity.

The University of Utah offers a comprehensive benefits package with excellent health care choices, retirement plans and paid leave time. Current benefit information is available at [www.hr.utah.edu/benefits](http://www.hr.utah.edu/benefits). Mutual respect and appreciation are highly valued within the Department of Pediatrics.

This position is considered Category I: Mandatory and required on campus or health care facilities to support on-site operations. Employees hired into this category will be required to be physically located at the Primary Children's Eccles Outpatient Services building if they are healthy and without COVID-19 symptoms.

### **Qualifications**

#### **Required**

- Current licensure to practice as a Physician's Assistant from the State of Utah.

#### **Preferred**

- Utah State prescriptive privilege preferred.
- Certification in ACLS/BLS/NRP/ATLS may be required by your department or by privileging criteria.
- To obtain licensure requires graduation from an AMA approved Physician Assistant program. Specialty experience is preferred on a position-by-position basis.
- UHPPM 1-56 requires that newly hired non-physician providers apply for credentialing and privileging at the time of hire.

This position is patient-sensitive and must fulfill all associated requirements. We protect our patients, coworkers and community by requiring all patient-sensitive employees to be immunized according to

CDC standards and hospital policy. Limited exemptions may be made for documented medical contraindications or religious beliefs that object to vaccinations.

Applicants must demonstrate the potential ability to perform the essential functions of the job as outlined in the position description.

### **Disclaimer**

This job description has been designed to indicate the general nature and level of work performed by employees within this classification. It is not designed to contain or be interpreted as a comprehensive inventory of all duties, responsibilities and qualifications required of employees assigned to the job.

Responsibilities

### **Essential Functions**

#### **Direct Patient Care: (80%)**

1. Assesses the physical condition of adult congenital heart disease patients by performing physical examinations and obtaining medical histories. The role may include caring for patients of any age with diverse cardiovascular ailments.
2. Formulates the medical plan and prognosis based on patient's condition.
3. Consults with physician(s) regarding patient health care plans and treatment.
4. Orders, interprets, and evaluates diagnostic tests (including echocardiograms, chest X-rays and EKGs) to identify and assess the patient's clinical problems and health care needs.
5. Initiates and/or recommends medical drug therapies or other forms of related therapeutic treatment and procedures in accordance with approved protocols/policy.
6. Counsels patients, families and significant others about health and illness, and promotes health maintenance.
7. Evaluates, plans, implements, and re-evaluates the care of individuals requiring emergency measures.
8. Assists in the transition of adolescent CHD patients from a pediatric model of care to an adult model of care.
9. Facilitates patient transition within and between health care settings.
10. Collaborates with multidisciplinary team members by making appropriate referrals.
11. Functions in an inpatient center as a member of the ACHD inpatient care team.
12. Assists patients with the post-procedure rehabilitation and follow-up process.
13. Plans for transition visit by reviewing past medical records and preparing transition material specifically tailored to each patient.

#### **Administrative: (20%)**

1. Complies with medical records policies regarding the complete and accurate documentation of patient care. Initiates and maintains required records and legal documents.
2. Screens clinics to monitor for patients meeting transition criteria.
3. Assists with creating and maintaining an ACHD program dashboard.
4. Participates in quality improvement activities.

5. Manages REDcap database and monitors patient progression along transition activities. Contacts patients periodically who have set goals that require follow up.
6. Assists in planning of patient symposiums.
7. Creates and manages transition curriculum.
8. Works with Information Systems to incorporate transition activities into Electronic Medical Record.
9. Works with public relations departments on promotion of Adult Congenital Heart Disease program.
10. Prepares manuscripts for publication on transition data and experience.

*Employee must be able to meet the following requirements with or without an accommodation.*

- This position involves intensive work that may exert up to 100 pounds and may consistently require lifting, carrying, pushing, pulling or otherwise moving objects, such as medical equipment, or patients while providing medical care. Workers in this position may be exposed to infectious diseases and may be required to function around prisoners and behavioral health patients.

### **Preferences**

Previous experience in pediatric cardiology, adult cardiology and/or adult congenital cardiology is preferred.

*Applicants will be screened according to department preferences.*

### **Additional Information**

The University of Utah values candidates who have experience working in settings with students from diverse backgrounds and possess a strong commitment to improving access to higher education for historically underrepresented students.

Individuals from historically underrepresented groups, such as minorities, women, qualified persons with disabilities and protected veterans are encouraged to apply. Veterans' preference is extended to qualified applicants, upon request and consistent with University policy and Utah state law. Upon request, reasonable accommodations in the application process will be provided to individuals with disabilities.

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To request a reasonable accommodation for a disability or if you or someone you know has experienced discrimination or sexual misconduct including sexual harassment, you may contact the Director/Title IX Coordinator in the Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action:

Director/ Title IX Coordinator  
Office of Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action (OEO/AA)  
135 Park Building  
Salt Lake City, UT 84112  
801-581-8365  
[oeo@utah.edu](mailto:oeo@utah.edu)

Online reports may be submitted at [oeo.utah.edu](http://oeo.utah.edu)  
For more information: <https://www.utah.edu/nondiscrimination/>

To inquire about this posting, email: [employment@utah.edu](mailto:employment@utah.edu) or call 801-581-2300.

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This position may require the successful completion of a criminal background check and/or drug screen.