

# **Physician Assistant Demographic Census Aggregate Report**

# I - PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT INFORMATION

 Census start date
 7/1/2017

 Census end date
 6/30/2019

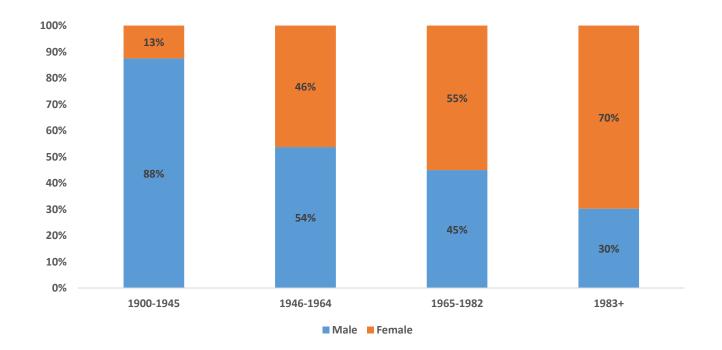
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 Total Returns
 2,828

Sex	<u>Act</u>	<u>tive</u>	<u>Ret</u>	<u>ired</u>
Male	1,186	43%	25	50%
Female	1,592	57%	25	50%
Total	2.778	100%	50	100%

#### Age group and breakdown by sex

Date of Birth	Total	Percentage	Male	Male %	Female	Female %
1900 - 1945	8	0%	7	0%	1	0%
1946 - 1964	655	23%	352	12%	303	11%
1965 - 1982	1,345	48%	604	21%	741	26%
1983+	820	29%	248	9%	572	20%
Total	2,828	100%	1,211	43%	1,617	57%





## 6. How would you classify your race/ethnicity?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>tive</u>	<u>Ret</u>	<u>tired</u>
White	2,231	80%	45	90%
Black/African American	56	2%	1	2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	43	2%	1	2%
Asian	193	7%	2	4%
Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander	13	0%	0	0%
Hispanic	126	5%	2	4%
Other	32	1%	0	0%
Prefer not to answer	171	6%	0	0%

#### 7. Do You have a DEA number?

	<u>Active</u>		<u>Retired</u>	
Yes	2,677	96%	33	66%
No	101	4%	17	34%

#### 9. Do you currently reside in Washington State?

	<u>Activ</u>	<u>Active</u>		<u>ired</u>
Yes	2,342	84%	46	92%
No	436	16%	4	8%

#### 13. Where did you obtain your Physician Assistant Degree?

Washington State	885	31%
Other US State/Territory	1,937	68%
Foreign Country	6	0%
Unknown	0	0%

#### 14. Are you currently certified by NCCPA?

		<u>Active</u>		<u>Retired</u>
No	108	4%	8	16%
Yes	2,670	96%	42	84%

# If yes, what is your NCCPA certificate of added qualification?

	<u>Active</u>		<u>Retired</u>	
Cardiovascular/Thoracic Surgery	5	0%	0	0%
Emergency Medicine	29	1%	0	0%
Hospital Medicine	5	0%	0	0%
Nephrology	2	0%	0	0%
Orthopaedic Surgery	7	0%	0	0%
Pediatrics	3	0%	0	0%
Psychiatry	6	0%	1	2%
None	2,613	98%	41	98%



#### 15. Have you retired from clinical practice?

No	2,778	98%	
Yes	50	2%	

#### Questions 16 - 32 are only answered by licensees who have not retired

#### 16. Do you plan on retiring from clinical practice in the next 12 months?

No	2,703	97%
Yes	75	3%

#### 17. Upon retirement from clinical practice, will you convert your license to "retired active"

No	22	29%
Yes	53	71%

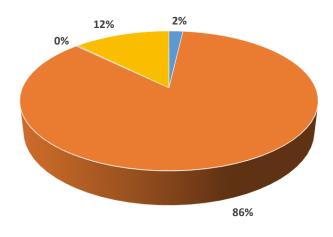
# **II - PRACTICE INFORMATION**

#### 18. Do you currently practice in Washington?

Yes	2,426	87%
No	352	13%

#### 19. Do you have an ownership interest in any practice?

Yes	56	2%
No	2,722	98%



- Practices in WA, has ownership interest
- Practices in WA, No ownership interest
- Doesn't practice in WA, has ownership interest Doesn't practice in WA, No ownership interest



## 20. Place of Practice and Remote Sites

Counties	Site 1	Site 2	Site 3	Remote 1	Remote 2	Remote 3	Total PAs in
Place of Practice in Northwest	Washington					•	County
Island	10	1		2			11
King	777	124	25	125	60	36	845
Pierce	305	58	12	37	15	13	344
San Juan	3			1			4
Skagit	47	10	3	9	5	2	53
Snohomish	158	40	5	36	12	5	204
Whatcom	50	9	1	5		1	54
Total	1350	242	46	215	92	57	1,515
Place of Practice in Southwest				•			•
Clallam	29	1		7	1		29
Clark	164	62	25	23	16	5	193
Cowlitz	20	6	2	3			29
Grays Harbor	16	4		5			19
Jefferson	10	2		2			13
Kitsap	60	7	3	2	1		65
Lewis	21	10		3	2		31
Mason	7	1	1	3			11
Pacific	3	1		1			3
Skamania	1	1					2
Thurston	85	27	2	22	13	3	108
Wahkiakum							0
Total	416	122	33	71	33	8	503
Place of Practice in Central Wa	ashington						
Benton	77	21	1	20	3	1	89
Chelan	49	3		4			53
Douglas	7			3		1	11
Grant	23	2		9	2		31
Kittitas	14		1	5	1		16
Klickitat	10	3		3	1		12
Okanogan	17	5		5	1		21
Yakima	73	11	2	17	2		76
Total	270	45	4	66	10	2	309
Place of Practice in Eastern W	ashington						
Adams	4			2		1	5
Asotin	4	4	1	1			9
Columbia	1						1
Ferry	3			1			3
Franklin	17	1	3	1			20
Garfield	2	1		1	1		3
Lincoln	2	2		1	1	ļ	4
Pend Oreille	3			1		ļ	3
Spokane	254	40	7	33	12	6	268
Stevens	12	4	1	4	1	ļ	15
Walla Walla	14		1				15
Whitman	12	1		1	1	ļ	16
Total	328	53	13	46	16	7	362
Grand Total	2,364	462	96	398	151	74	2,689



## At how many remote sites do you practice?

0 or unk	2,308	83%
1	292	11%
2	91	3%
3 or more	87	3%

## 22. Please indicate your current area of practice and that of your sponsoring physician

Area of Practice	Principal	Principal	Secondary	Secondary	Sponsoring	Sponsoring
	Practice	Percentage	Practice	Percentage	Physician	Physician %
Adolescent Medicine	10	0%	13	0%	4	0%
Allergy and Immunology	8	0%	3	0%	9	0%
Anesthesiology	4	0%	1	0%	16	1%
Cardiology	61	2%	10	0%	54	2%
Child Psychiatry	0	0%	2	0%	1	0%
Colon and Rectal Surgery	2	0%	7	0%	5	0%
Critical Care Medicine	22	1%	19	1%	24	1%
Dermatology	94	3%	9	0%	80	3%
Emergency Medicine	316	11%	143	5%	316	11%
Endocrinology	10	0%	2	0%	9	0%
Family Medicine	758	27%	177	6%	663	22%
Gastroenterology	60	2%	14	0%	52	2%
Geriatric Medicine	17	1%	8	0%	18	1%
Gynecology Only	12	0%	4	0%	9	0%
Infectious Diseases	9	0%	5	0%	10	0%
Internal Medicine	141	5%	81	3%	174	6%
Nephrology	9	0%	4	0%	12	0%
Neurological Surgery	68	2%	9	0%	60	2%
Neurology	15	1%	1	0%	13	0%
Obstetrics and Gynecology	27	1%	6	0%	34	1%
Occupational Medicine	88	3%	46	2%	67	2%
Ophthalmology	1	0%	2	0%	2	0%
Orthopaedic Surgery	306	11%	80	3%	271	9%
Otolaryngology	23	1%	9	0%	21	1%
Pathology	1	0%	0	0%	1	0%
Pediatrics	39	1%	34	1%	48	2%
Physical Medicine and Rehab.	21	1%	6	0%	20	1%
Plastic Surgery	9	0%	10	0%	12	0%
Preventive Medicine/Public Health	6	0%	20	1%	5	0%
Psychiatry	27	1%	13	0%	37	1%
Pulmonology	12	0%	5	0%	13	0%
Radiation Oncology	6	0%	1	0%	5	0%
Radiology	24	1%	7	0%	18	1%
Rheumatology	8	0%	3	0%	6	0%
Surgery	102	4%	27	1%	92	3%
Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery	43	2%	11	0%	43	1%
Urology	33	1%	7	0%	32	1%
Vascular Surgery	26	1%	7	0%	24	1%
Other (e.g. Hospitalist)	355	13%	123	4%	165	6%
None	55	2%	1892	67%	526	18%
Total	2828	100%	2821	100%	2971	100%



#### 23. Is your primary clinical practice:

Office based	1,758	63%
Hospital based	796	29%
Neither	224	8%

#### 24. How many sponsoring physicians and alternates are in your practice?

0 or unknown	176	6%
1	784	28%
2 - 5	1,142	41%
6 - 10	349	13%
11 - 20	205	7%
More than 20	122	4%

#### 25. How many delegation agreements have you listed as a participant?

0 or unknown	399	14%
1	1,850	67%
2	384	14%
3 or more	145	5%

#### 26. On average, how often are your delegation agreements updated

Weekly	19	1%
Monthly	24	1%
Quarterly	101	4%
Semiannually	77	3%
Annually	2,161	78%
No Answer	396	14%

#### 27. For patient related activities, indicate your practice arrangement and size of group\*

Single Specialty Group	984	35%
Multi-Specialty Group	518	19%
Solo Practitioner	105	4%
Employee of a Hospital or Clinic	1,084	39%
State or Federal Employer	236	8%
Other	180	6%

Group size	Single	Single %	Multi	Multi %
501 +	9	1%	53	10%
101 - 500	7	1%	64	12%
51 - 100	32	3%	59	11%
21 - 50	183	19%	50	10%
1 - 20	634	64%	144	28%
Unknown	119	12%	148	29%
Total	984	100%	518	100%

<sup>\*</sup>Practitioners may select more than one answer



#### 28. Are interpretation services offered at your practice?

No	454	16%	
Yes	2.324	84%	

#### If yes, what languages are offered for interpretation?

English	1,452	62%
Korean	1,414	61%
French	1,353	58%
Spanish	1,768	76%
Russian	1,511	65%
Mandarin Chinese	1,396	60%
Other	322	14%
Do not know	513	22%

#### 29. Do you speak any languages other than English well enough to communicate with your patients?

Korean	16	1%
French	37	1%
Spanish	429	15%
Russian	33	1%
Mandarin Chinese	23	1%
Other	2,828	102%

#### 30 - 32. Are you currently accepting patients covered by:

Percentage of your patient population that currently uses this insurance

		Med	icare			Medicaid		Tricare				
	Yes	No	Don't	Total	Yes	No	Don't	Total	Yes	No	Don't	Total
	163	INO	know	Total	163	110	know	Total	163	INO	know	Total
Accepting	60%	11%	29%	100%	55%	13%	32%	100%	49%	10%	40%	100%
% of pts.												
67 - 100%	5%	0%	2%	3%	5%	1%	1%	3%	4%	0%	0%	2%
34 - 66%	19%	3%	4%	13%	13%	1%	3%	8%	1%	0%	1%	1%
1 - 33%	30%	6%	7%	21%	35%	8%	8%	23%	48%	7%	7%	27%
0 or unk	47%	90%	88%	63%	47%	90%	89%	66%	48%	93%	91%	70%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%



#### 33. In the past 12 months, how many weeks did you work or volunteer in a clinical setting?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>ive</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
48 - 52 weeks	1,560	56%	6	12%	
40 - 47 weeks	479	17%	0	0%	
31 - 39 weeks	71	3%	3	6%	
1 - 30 weeks	318	11%	10	20%	
0 or unknown	350	13%	31	62%	

#### 34. In a typical work week, indicate the average number of hours dedicated to the following professional activities

	Clin	ical	Rese	arch	Adı	min	Educ	ation	Volu	nteer	Otl	her	To	tal
	Act	Ret	Act	Ret	Act	Ret	Act	Ret	Act	Ret	Act	Ret	Act	Ret
>40 hrs	20%	2%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	40%	14%
31-40 hrs	52%	8%	0%	2%	1%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	44%	18%
30 or less	22%	2%	11%	12%	36%	20%	22%	14%	3%	8%	6%	12%	12%	14%
0 or unk	6%	88%	89%	86%	63%	76%	78%	86%	97%	92%	93%	84%	4%	54%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

#### 35. Do you provide telehealth/telemedicine services?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>ive</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
No	2,514	90%	50	100%	
Yes	264	10%	0	0%	

#### If yes, how many hours per week do you practice telehealth/telemedicine?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>tive</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
Over 40 hrs	1	0%	0	0%	
31 - 40 hrs	8	3%	0	0%	
10 - 30 hrs	39	15%	0	0%	
Under 10	139	53%	0	0%	
0 or unk	77	29%	0	0%	

#### What percentage of your telehealth/telemedicine population is provided to patients in Washington?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>tive</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
67 - 100%	82	31%	0	0%	
34 - 66%	10	4%	0	0%	
1 - 33%	42	16%	0	0%	
0% or unk	130	49%	0	0%	

#### 36. Do you prescribe opioids for patients with chronic noncancer pain?

	<u>Act</u>	ive	<u>Retired</u>		
No	1,873	67%	46 929		
Yes	905	33%	4	8%	

#### If yes, Please estimate the number of opioid patients in the last month

	<u>Act</u>	<u>tive</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
100 +	127	14%	1	25%	
51 - 99	18	2%	0	0%	
26 - 50	79	9%	0	0%	
1 - 25	565	62%	1	25%	
0 or unk	116	13%	2	50%	

#### 37. Have you completed the pain management CME as described in WAC 246-918-890(2)?\*

	<u>Acti</u>	<u>ve</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
No	1,331	48%	33	66%	
Yes	1,447	52%	17	34%	

# 38. Are you exempt from the pain specialist consultation requirement in WAC 246-918-880 based upon one or moresets of criteria for exemption listed in WAC 246-918-890?\*

	<u>Acti</u>	<u>ve</u>	<u>Retired</u>		
No	2,200	79%	38	76%	
Yes	578	21%	12	24%	

#### 39. Do you have colleague(s) to whom you can refer pain patients?

	<u>Acti</u>	ve	<u>Retired</u>			
No	814	29%	35	35 70%		
Yes	1,964	71%	15	30%		

#### If yes, how many?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>ive</u>	Ret	<u>ired</u>
0 or unk	345	18%	4	27%
1	342	17%	3	20%
2	362	18%	2	13%
3	259	13%	0	0%
4	121	6%	1	7%
5 or more	535	27%	5	33%

#### 40. Do you treat patients through nontraditional therapies?

	<u>Acti</u>	<u>Active</u>				
Yes	320	12%	0	0%		
No	2 458	88%	50	100%		

#### Have you completed this census on behalf of another person?

	<u>Act</u>	<u>ive</u>	<u>Ret</u>	<u>ired</u>
No	2,704	97%	50	100%
Yes	74	3%	0	0%

<sup>\*</sup>These WACs were modified and renumbered effective 1/1/19



# Physician Assistant principal area of practice and counties with practice sites - Northwest Washington

	Island	King	Pierce	San Juan	Skagit	Snohomish	Whatcom	Total
Adolescent Medicine		5	1					6
Allergy and Immunology		1					2	3
Anesthesiology			1					1
Cardiology		19	4		4	4	1	32
Child Psychiatry								
Colon and Rectal Surgery								
Critical Care Medicine		10	4			2		16
Dermatology		30	9		5	5	2	51
Emergency Medicine		81	57		2	21	4	165
Endocrinology		4				1		5
Family Medicine/General Practice	9	160	77	3	7	53	12	321
Gastroenterology		14	6		2	2	3	27
Geriatric Medicine		7	1			2	1	11
Gynecology Only		5						5
Infectious Diseases		8						8
Internal Medicine (General)	1	41	19		4	7	2	74
Nephrology		1						1
Neurological Surgery		42	3			1	1	47
Neurology		7	2		2			11
Obstetrics and Gynecology		12	4			2		18
Occupational Medicine		21	15		4	6	6	52
Ophthalmology					1			1
Orthopaedic Surgery		103	38		7	26	6	180
Otolaryngology		12	3			1		16
Pathology		1						1
Pediatrics (General)		9	5		1	3		18
Physical Med. & Rehabilitation		4	2			1		7
Plastic Surgery		8					1	9
Preventive Med/Public Health			2					2
Psychiatry		11	1		2	2	1	17
Pulmonology		5	2					7
Radiation Oncology		3						3
Radiology	1	9	8			4	2	24
Rheumatology		1	2		1			4
Surgery (General)		29	22		4	17	2	74
Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery		11	6			4	2	23
Urology		7	5		2	5	2	21
Vascular Surgery		8	7			1	1	17
Other (e.g. Hospitalist, Admin.)		149	38	1	5	31	3	227
None or Unknown		4				2		6
Total	11	842	344	4	53	203	54	1511



Physician Assistant principal area of practice and counties with practice sites - Southwest Washington

Adolescent Medicine Allergy and Immunology Anesthesiology Cardiology Child Psychiatry Colon and Rectal Surgery	Clallam	Clark	Cowlitz	Grays Harbor	Jefferson	Kitsap	Lewis	Mason	Pacific	Skamania	Thurston	Wahkiakum	Total
Anesthesiology Cardiology Child Psychiatry Colon and Rectal Surgery													
Cardiology Child Psychiatry Colon and Rectal Surgery		2	1										3
Child Psychiatry Colon and Rectal Surgery													
Colon and Rectal Surgery		4		1		2							7
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Critical Care Medicine													
Dermatology	2	5				4					5		16
Emergency Medicine	2	19	6	5	1	13	9	1			16		72
Endocrinology													
amily Medicine/General Practice	12	66	12	3	6	21	8	7	2	2	34		173
Gastroenterology	1	7									2		10
Geriatric Medicine	1	1			1								3
Gynecology Only	1	3											4
nfectious Diseases													
nternal Medicine (General)	1	8	3	5	2		1				2		22
Nephrology		2				1					1		4
Neurological Surgery		3					1				3		7
Neurology		1									1		2
Obstetrics and Gynecology		1									1		2
Occupational Medicine						5					4		9
Ophthalmology													
Orthopaedic Surgery	4	22	1	1	2	5	3				16		54
Otolaryngology						1					1		2
Pathology											_		_
Pediatrics (General)	2	4					2						8
Physical Med. & Rehabilitation		3									1		4
Plastic Surgery													<del>-</del>
Preventive Med/Public Health													
Psychiatry			1			1		1	1		2		6
Pulmonology		1				1							2
Radiation Oncology		1											<del>-</del>
Radiology		1											1
Rheumatology											1		1
Surgery (General)		7	1		1	1	2				3		15
Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery		4				1					3		5
Jrology	1	1					1				1		4
Vascular Surgery		4				1					1		6
Other (e.g. Hospitalist, Admin.)	2	24	4	4		8	3	2			11		58
None or Unknown	- 4	24	4	4		8	3				1		1
Total	29	193	29	19	13	65	31	11	3	2			503



# Physician Assistant principal area of practice and counties with practice sites - Central Washington

	Benton	Chelan	Douglas	Grant	Kittitas	Klickitat	Okanogan	Yakima	Total
Adolescent Medicine									
Allergy and Immunology	1							1	2
Anesthesiology									
Cardiology		5		3			2	3	13
Child Psychiatry									
Colon and Rectal Surgery									
Critical Care Medicine	1								1
Dermatology	2	1						3	6
Emergency Medicine	15	1		5	2	3	1	9	36
Endocrinology	1	1		1				1	4
Family Medicine/General Practice	12	13	6	13	6	6	15	34	105
Gastroenterology	2	2						1	5
Geriatric Medicine	1					1			2
Gynecology Only	1				1			3	5
Infectious Diseases									
Internal Medicine (General)		9	1	3		1		3	17
Nephrology		1	1	1			1		4
Neurological Surgery		2		1					3
Neurology									
Obstetrics and Gynecology	3				2			1	6
Occupational Medicine	8	2		2	1			2	15
Ophthalmology									
Orthopaedic Surgery	11	5		1	3		1	7	28
Otolaryngology	1								1
Pathology									
Pediatrics (General)	3	1	1					1	6
Physical Med. & Rehabilitation		1							1
Plastic Surgery									
Preventive Med/Public Health	1								1
Psychiatry	1					1		3	5
Pulmonology		1		1					2
Radiation Oncology	1								1
Radiology									
Rheumatology	2								2
Surgery (General)	1								1
Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery	2	1							3
Urology	2	1							3
Vascular Surgery	1								1
Other (e.g. Hospitalist, Admin.)	16	5	2		1		1	4	29
None or Unknown									
Total	89	52	11	31	16	12	21	76	308



Physician Assistant principal area of practice and counties with practice sites - Eastern Washington

	Adams	Asotin	Columbia	Ferry	Franklin	Garfield	Lincoln	Pend Oreille	Spokane	Stevens	Walla Walla	Whitman	Total
Adolescent Medicine							1					1	2
Allergy and Immunology							_						_
Anesthesiology													
Cardiology	1								8			1	10
Child Psychiatry													
Colon and Rectal Surgery									1				1
Critical Care Medicine									2				2
Dermatology		1							9	1	1		12
Emergency Medicine		1		1	6		1		30	3		1	43
Endocrinology									3				3
Family Medicine/General Practice	4	2	1	2	4	2	1	3		10	4	7	103
Gastroenterology									14				14
Geriatric Medicine									1				1
Gynecology Only													_
Infectious Diseases									1				1
Internal Medicine (General)					1	1			14		2	1	19
Nephrology						_			1				1
Neurological Surgery									5		1	1	7
Neurology									3				3
Obstetrics and Gynecology					1				2				3
Occupational Medicine									9				9
Ophthalmology													
Orthopaedic Surgery		4					1		35		1	1	42
Otolaryngology					1		_		1				2
Pathology									_				
Pediatrics (General)									6	1	1	1	9
Physical Med. & Rehabilitation									4		2		6
Plastic Surgery													
Preventive Med/Public Health									1				1
Psychiatry									1		1		2
Pulmonology									2				2
Radiation Oncology													
Radiology									2				2
Rheumatology									1				1
Surgery (General)		1							6				7
Thoracic and Cardiac Surgery		_							9				9
Urology					1				3				4
Vascular Surgery									2				2
Other (e.g. Hospitalist, Admin.)					6				29		1	2	38
None or Unknown											1		1
Total	5	9	1	3	20	3	4	3	268	15	15	16	362



# **III - SECONDARY CONTACTS**

PAs who did not return a census form were emailed with a PDF copy of the census attached. Those without a valid email address were sent a hard copy. Secondary contacts are usually made approximately three to four weeks after license renewal.

#### Secondary contact returns as of 7-1-2019

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Month	Contacts	<b>Returns to Date</b>	Returned	
April	98	40	41%	
May	65	20	31%	
June	85	27	32%	