



Master of Science  
Physician Assistant Studies

### Supervised Clinical Practice Experience Affiliation Agreements<sup>1</sup>

<b>Responsible Party</b>	Program Director and Principal Faculty
<b>Minimum Review Frequency</b>	Annual
<b>Associated Forms</b>	None
<b>ARC-PA Associated Standards</b>	A 3.03
<b>Initial Effective Date</b>	10/29/2018
<b>Last Review Date</b>	10/29/2018
<b>Next Review Date</b>	09/01/2020

#### **Rationale:**

The Pfeiffer University Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies (MS-PAS) program is committed to the continuous development of supervised clinical practice experience (SCPE) sites. The evaluation, selection and eventual approval of a SCPE site is a rigorous process, this is to ensure that the SCPE site provides sufficient clinical experience to facilitate the achievement of the clinical rotation's instructional objectives, learning outcomes and expected competencies. The Pfeiffer University MS-PAS program requires current, formal, finalized and fully executed affiliation agreements between all SCPE sites and Pfeiffer University. These agreements are legal documents that address academic, physical, clinical, and liability issues.

#### **Policy:**

The evaluation, selection and eventual approval of a supervised clinical practical experience (SCPE) site and preceptor is a rigorous process, this is to ensure that the SCPE site provides sufficient clinical experience to facilitate the achievement of the clinical rotation's instructional objectives, learning outcomes and expected competencies. The program requires a current and fully executed written and signed affiliation agreements between all SCPE sites and Pfeiffer University. These agreements are legal documents that address academic, physical, clinical, and liability issues. The process of attaining SCPE sites is solely the responsibility of the program and facilitated by the Pfeiffer University legal counsel. Students or their agents are not allowed to solicit or negotiate an affiliation with a SCPE site. If a student becomes aware of a potential clinical site; a SCPE Request Form must be submitted to the Director of Clinical Education (DCE) via E-medley. The evaluation process to determine if the prospective SCPE site is suitable for educational purposes and meets all academic, physical, and clinical standards will be conducted by the DCE and approved by the Program Director.

#### **Review**

This policy will be reviewed on an ongoing basis by the DCE and the Clinical Support Coordinator. Furthermore, the DCE will prepare an annual report which will be reviewed at the annual program retreat.

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<sup>1</sup> ARC-PA Accreditation Standards for Physician Assistant Education A 3.03