

**Physician Assistant
(Traditional Position)**

AFSC 42G3

******CLOSEOUT DATE: INDEFINITE******

AUTHORIZED GRADE: Lieutenant Colonel

DUTY LOCATION: 166th Medical Group, New Castle County Airport, New Castle, DE.

Position is open to commissioned officers (LTC and below) and personnel seeking a commissioning opportunity, who meet the identified Specialty Qualifications.

SPECIALTY SUMMARY:

Performs primary medical care and clinical duties with the direction of a physician. Related DoD Occupational Group: 260811.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

Privileged health care providers who use critical judgment to perform comprehensive health assessments, differential diagnosis, and prescribe pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic treatments in direct management of acute and chronic illness, injury or disease. Practice is governed by AFI 44-102, *Medical Care Management*, AFI-44-119, *Clinical Performance Improvement* and as approved by the facility Credentials Review Committee. Obtains and evaluates medical histories, performs physical examinations, performs therapeutic and diagnostic procedures, and orders laboratory studies and radiographic studies as well as other special examinations. Collects specimens for pathologic examination. Analyzes and interprets data, formulates problem lists, and establishes plans for solution of clinical problems. Counsels patients on medical conditions, expected outcomes, family planning, child care, diet, and other therapeutic preventative health maintenance matters. Makes entries in patient's permanent medical records. Coordinates patient care. Coordinates patient care with other members of health care team. Initiates consultation requests to other health professionals to provide more comprehensive patient management when indicated. Instructs other members of the health care team. Instructs other personnel assigned to health care team on preventive medicine programs and other appropriate medical activities and functions, or as directed by a physician.

SPECIALITY QUALIFICATIONS:

Knowledge is mandatory of: anatomy; physiology; emergency medical treatment; surgical techniques; sterilization and aseptic techniques; medical ethics; prescription and administration of drugs; operation of therapeutic and diagnostic equipment; medical terminology; and specialized medical treatments and procedures.

EDUCATION:

For entry into this specialty, graduation from a Physician Assistant training program accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) or its predecessors and acceptable to the Surgeon General, USAF, is mandatory. Certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants is required.

EXPERIENCE:

For award of AFSC 42G3, officers must be certified by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants and completed a minimum of 6 months of experience in Physician Assistant assignments providing primary medical care. Other. For entry into 42GXA/B/C/E, member must be a fully qualified 42G3. A qualified AFSC with a suffix is authorized upon completion of an additional residency or completion of a 12 month fellowship graduate medical education program related to the suffix and approved by the Surgeon General, HQ USAF.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Individuals seeking a commission must graduate from the Academy of Military Science (AMS) prior to their 35th birthday (selection will be based on availability of AMS class dates). Candidates in exceptional circumstances can be commissioned up to age 40 if they have active service time.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

The following items must be included in the application package:

- *Resume*
- *Copy of AFOQT Scores*
- *Certified College Transcript*
- *Current Record Review Rip*
- *Printout of a current AF Physical Fitness Score (AF only; if currently serving in another branch of the service, please include equivalent documentation; N/A to non-prior service)*

Application packages must be forwarded to:

**166 FSS/FSM (ATTN: CMSgt Ottinger)
2600 Spruance Drive
New Castle, DE 19720-1615**

Following initial screening, resumes will be forwarded to 166 MDG/MAO for interview/selection process. Personnel having additional questions concerning the squadron should contact Lt Col Michael Pollock at Commercial: 302-323-3387, DSN 445-7387, or robin.pollock@ang.af.mil.