IPAP MISSION STATEMENT

To provide the uniformed services with highly competent, compassionate physician assistants who model integrity, strive for leadership excellence, and are committed to lifelong learning.

IPAP VISION STATEMENT

To be recognized as the world class leader in physician assistant education.

University of Nebraska Medical Center

BREAKTHROUGHS FOR LIFE

IPAP has a university affiliation agreement with the University of Nebraska Medical Center
http://www.unmc.edu/

IPAP is among seven resident graduate programs comprising the Graduate School, Health Readiness Center of Excellence, Army Medical Department Center & School (GS, HRCoE, AMEDDC&S)

IPAP is an Interservice Training Review Organization (ITRO) member program

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INTERSERVICE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM

What is a Physician Assistant?

The American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) defines a physician assistant (PA) "as a nationally certified and state-licensed medical professional."
As a PA, you will practice medicine on healthcare teams with physicians and other providers.
As a military PA, you will also provide leadership and training to those serving with you and around you, as well as having the opportunity to practice and prescribe medicine in all 50 states, US territories, and worldwide.

A Team of Teams

Do you truly want to make a significant impact in the lives of patients around the globe? If yes, then perhaps you can join the ranks of over 3,000 uniformed PAs providing superior healthcare support to the Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security.

Do you have what it takes?

"We are looking for applicants who possess a genuine passion to help others, are committed to excellence, have maturity, integrity, intellectual curiosity, and a strong desire for lifelong learning. If you fit the bill, then you have a wonderful opportunity to join the PA profession. Complete your prerequisite coursework, submit your application through your respective service branch, get selected, and join us here at the world's largest & best PA program!" –CDR Perry, IPAP Director

PAs care for a wide range of patients.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

All applicants must be Active Duty Army (including ARNG & Active Reserve), Navy/USMC, Air Force, or Coast Guard.

Applicants must have a minimum of 60 semester hours of college credit. These hours must include coursework in Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry, Humanities/Social Sciences, English, Algebra, and Psychology.

All applicants must have taken the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

Each Service has additional and/or unique requirements, and applicants are highly encouraged to contact their service-specific POC:

Army:
Phone: (502) 626-0386
Website: http://www.usarec.army.mil/armypa/

ARNG
Army Reserves: Contact AMEDD State Recruiter

Navy/USMC:
Phone: (301) 319-4520
Website:
http://www.med.navy.mil/sites/nmotc/swmi/Pages/PhysicianAssistantProgramII.aspx

Air Force:
Phone: (210) 565-2775
Website: https://kx2.afms.mil/kj/kx3/afbsceducation
*CAC cardholder must request KX2 website access

Coast Guard:
Phone: (202) 475-5183
Website: http://www.uscg.mil/health/cg1122/pa.asp

In 1996, the military services combined their various PA programs to form the Interservice Physician Assistant Program (IPAP), located at the Army Medical Department Center and School (AMEDDC&S), Fort Sam Houston, Texas. In 2003, the IPAP moved to a master's degree program, with the first graduates earning the Master of Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS) degree in January 2005. In 2007, the IPAP joined other AMEDDC&S allied health programs in forming the Graduate School. In 2015, the IPAP was ranked #11 of 190 ARC-PA accredited PA programs in the United States.

The IPAP faculty and staff serve to educate PAs for the armed forces. Our graduates are commissioned into the officer corps of their respective service and take their place beside other military health care professionals in providing medical services to active duty military personnel, their dependents, and retirees.

The IPAP has an affiliation agreement with the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), which provides faculty and administrative support for the IPAP. The IPAP graduate earns a MPAS degree from the affiliated university.

Our main campus is located on Historic Fort Sam Houston, which is now an essential component of Joint Base San Antonio (JBSA). Here all IPAP students complete their 16-month didactic phase. Phase 1 education consists of basic medical science courses intended to develop a PA student`s knowledge of critical medical concepts. After completing this portion of the curriculum, students continue with a 13-month clinical phase at one of 23 Army, Navy, and Air Force Phase 2 sites across the country. These Phase 2 sites are located at military installations with medical facilities adequate to support the rotations required to be a successful PA. As an accredited PA program, our graduates are eligible to sit for the National Commission on the Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) initial certification exam (PANCE). IPAP graduates have a long history of performing favorably as compared to their civilian peers.

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