

State	Physician Assistant/Associate Licensure Agency Link	Must be a Graduate of an Accredited Program	NCCPA Certification	Transcripts Required	Jurisprudence Exam	Criminal Background Check
Alabama	https://www.albme.gov/licensing/pa-aa/license-registration/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Alaska	https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/StateMedicalBoard/ApplicationsForms	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Arizona	https://www.azpa.gov/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Arkansas	https://armedicalboard.adh.arkansas.gov/Professionals/PhysicianAssistant.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
California	https://www.pab.ca.gov/applicants/index.shtml	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Colorado	https://dpo.colorado.gov/Medical/Applications	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Connecticut	https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Practitioner-Licensing--Investigations/Physician-Assistant/Physician-Assistant-Licensure?language=en_US	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Delaware	https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/medicalpractice/physasstlicense/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
District of Columbia	https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/159672	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Florida	https://flboardofmedicine.gov/physician-assistant/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Georgia	https://medicalboard.georgia.gov/licensure-information/physician-anesthesiologist-assistant-pas-and-aas	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Hawaii	https://cca.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Require-Instruct-App-for-Physician-Asst_07.24R.pdf	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Idaho	https://dopl.idaho.gov/paac/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Illinois	https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/physicianassistant.html	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Indiana	https://www.in.gov/pla/professions/physician-assistant-home/physician-assistant-licensing-information/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Iowa	https://dial.iowa.gov/licenses/health-professions/physician-associates	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Kansas	http://www.ksbha.org/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Kentucky	https://kbml.ky.gov/ah/Pages/Physician-Assistant.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Louisiana	https://www.lsbme.la.gov/licensure/physician-assistants	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Maine	https://www.maine.gov/md/licensure/pa-license	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Maryland	https://www.mbp.state.md.us/licensure_ahapp_pa.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Massachusetts	https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-of-physician-assistants	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Michigan	https://www.michigan.gov/lara/bureau-list/bpl/health/hp-lic-health-prof/pa	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Minnesota	https://mn.gov/boards/medical-practice/licensing/applicants/apply/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Mississippi	https://www.msbml.ms.gov/Licensure/Physician_Assistant	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Missouri	https://pr.mo.gov/physicianassistants.asp	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Montana	https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/medical-examiners/license-information/physician-assistant	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nebraska	https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/pages/physician-assistant.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Nevada	https://medboard.nv.gov/Forms/PhysicianAsst/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
New Hampshire	https://www.oplc.nh.gov/applications-physician-associate	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
New Jersey	https://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/pa/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
New Mexico	https://www.nmmb.state.nm.us/licensing/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
New York	https://www.op.nysed.gov/physician-assistants	Yes	Yes	Yes		
North Carolina	https://www.ncmedboard.org/licensing-registration	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
North Dakota	https://www.ndbom.org/practitioners/pa/apply/index.asp	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Ohio	https://med.ohio.gov/apply-and-renew/licenses-and-certifications/04-physician-assistant-(pa)	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Oklahoma	https://www.okmedicalboard.org/physician_assistants	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oregon	https://www.oregon.gov/omb/Licensing/Pages/PA-Application.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pennsylvania	https://www.pa.gov/agencies/dos/department-and-offices/bpoa/boards-commissions/medicine	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Puerto Rico	https://www.salud.pr.gov/CMS/42	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Rhode Island	https://health.ri.gov/licensing/physician-assistant	Yes	Yes	Yes		
South Carolina	https://lfr.sc.gov/med/pa.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
South Dakota	https://www.sdbmoe.gov/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Tennessee	https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/health/licensure/pa.html	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Texas	https://www.tmb.state.tx.us/apply-renew/physician-assistant	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Utah	https://commerce.utah.gov/dopl/physician-assistant/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Vermont	https://www.healthvermont.gov/systems/board-medical-practice/applications-licensing-and-fees	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Virgin Islands	https://www.vimedicalboard.org/application-forms/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Virginia	https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Medicine/ApplicantResources/ApplyforLicense/PhysicianAssistant/	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Washington	https://wmc.wa.gov/licensing/applications-and-forms/physician-assistant-application	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
West Virginia	https://wvbom.wv.gov/practitioners/PA/PA_Forms.asp	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes
Wisconsin	https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/PhysicianAssistant/Default.aspx	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wyoming	https://wyomedboard.wyo.gov/physician-assistants/initial-pa-application	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes