

**DR. FAHAD ALKHERAYF**  
**THE OTTAWA HOSPITAL, DEPARTMENT OF SURGERY, DIVISION OF NEUROSURGERY**

**Position Title:** Physician Assistant

**Department:** Surgery, Division of Neurosurgery

**Duration:** 12-month contract, with possibility of renewal

**Start Date:** January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Hours:** Monday-Friday, 09h00-17h00

**Salary:** Commensurate with Experience

**Description:**

The Physician Assistant's role consists of practitioner, consultant, educator and advocate. The Physician Assistant will function as a member of the inter-disciplinary care team in the development, implementation and evaluation of patient care. The Physician Assistant will work under neurosurgeon in the division. While the position is concentrated in skull base related pathology, the Physician Assistant will provide care to patients suffering from a wide array of neurosurgical disorders including neurovascular, oncology, complex spine and peripheral nerve disease.

The Physician Assistant will primarily work in the outpatient clinic [within the hospital] and assist in the operating room. The Physician Assistant may also be needed to complete assessments in the emergency department, NACU, ICU and on the inpatient ward.

There will be opportunity for the Physician Assistant to participate in research activities. There are a number of weekly academic activities available for the Physician Assistant to participate in to maintain their CME credits and certification.

The Physician Assistant will work to their full scope of practice, under the restrictions outlined by CPSO. Medical Directives are already in place and are currently utilized by two other Physician Assistants in the division.

**Responsibilities Include [but are not limited to]:**

- Provide complete and comprehensive assessments to neurosurgical patients for consultation, follow-up and urgent access visits. This will include history taking, physical examination, diagnostic ordering and interpretation, prescriptions, formulation and implementation of management plans.
- Once trained, the Physician Assistant may complete neurosurgical office procedures such as shunt adjustment, aspiration of fluid, etc.
- Patient education.
- Review of incoming diagnostic results.
- Participate in weekly academic activities and interprofessional rounds, including case presentation.
- Organize and run monthly skull base rounds.
- Perform other duties within the competency profile of a Physician Assistant.

**Qualifications:**

- Graduate of a university level PA program in Canada or the United States.
- Excellent oral, written and interpersonal skills.
- Excellent teamwork and team building skills.
- Fluency in English.

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Fluency in French
- 1-2 years of experience providing active patient care as a Physician Assistant.
- Experience using Epic EHR.

**How to Apply:**

Those interested in the position may send their CV and a Cover Letter to Dr. Fahad Alkherayf [falkherayf@toh.ca] and his administrative assistant Samantha Stephen [sastephen@toh.ca]. While we thank everyone who applies, only those selected for interview will be contacted.

Please include “Neurosurgery PA” in the subject line of your email.

**Application Deadline: December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 17h00**

**Important Notice:**

Physician Assistants are employees of the hiring physician. Although the employee will work within The Ottawa Hospital, they are not employed by The Ottawa Hospital. The employer is committed to the principle of equal opportunity in its employment practices and to providing an environment free from discrimination and harassment for all employees. The employer will, upon request, provide accommodations in accordance with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act.