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QUALIFICATIONS

I have been employed as an Orthopaedic Spine Physician Assistant at the Spine Institute of Louisiana with Dr. Euby Kerr since December 2005. My duties and responsibilities are first assisting in surgery, seeing patients in clinic, first call responsibility, hospital rounds and care, filling out and dictating disability forms, dictating and performing history and physicals.

I was employed at the Louisiana Orthopaedic and Spine Institute of Louisiana from May of 2002 until December of 2005. I received my spine training under Dr. Jorge Isaza. My responsibilities were first assisting in surgery, seeing patients in clinic, first call responsibility for the Emergency Room, hospital rounds and care, filling out and dictating disability forms, performing history and physicals, and researching and dictating Independent Medical Evaluations.

I have first assisted in over 1000 spine procedures. The procedures I have assisted in include: Anterior-Posterior Lumbar Fusions, Posterior Lumbar Fusions, Anterior Cervical Fusions, Posterior Lumbar Discectomies, Intradiscal ElectroThermal Therapy, Percutaneous Vertebroplasty, Kyphoplasty, Anterior-lateral Thoracic Fusions, Anterior Lumbar Fusions, Percutaneous Pedicle Screw Instrumentation, Posterior Fusion and Instrumentation for Scoliosis, Artificial Lumbar Disc Replacement, Artificial Cervical Disc Replacement, DYNESIS procedure, and Open Reduction Internal Fixation for upper and lower extremity fractures.

I have been responsible for seeing approximately 25 patients per day with the Physician off site.

I have become very proficient in reading Lumbar and Cervical MRI's, Lumbar Discograms, Lumbar Myelograms, plain radiographs of the lumbar and cervical spines, and plain radiographs of the upper and lower extremities.

I have become very proficient in the diagnosis and treatment of cervical and lumbar pain and pathologies.

I have been involved in the FDA studies of the Prestige Artificial Cervical Disc, the Charite' Artificial Lumbar Disc, the Kineflex Artificial Lumbar and Cervical Disc, and the Dynamic Stabilization procedure for the Lumbar Spine.

I have attended the didactic and cadaver lab education for the IDET procedure, Percutaneous Vertebroplasty Procedure, Controversies in Lumbar Spine Surgery in New Orleans, La., and the Hands-On Workshop and Symposium for Fundamental Principles and Techniques in Spinal Surgery at the Medical Education and Research Institute in Memphis, Tennessee and Las Vegas, Nevada.

I worked at the Marshall Health Clinic, performing all aspects of Primary Care with no Physician on site upon graduation of the Physician Assistant Program at the Louisiana Health Sciences Center in Shreveport, Louisiana, August 2001, until May of 2002.

I have been a member of the Louisiana National Guard for 8 years as a Combat Medic and Pharmacy Technician.

I was commissioned as a United States Army officer in February of 2002 and have served as a Physician Assistant in the Louisiana National Guard since that date. Promoted to rank of Captain, April 2006.

I was deployed from February 11, 2003 to November 2003 for the U.S. Army in the United States as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. I served as a Physician Assistant, and I was responsible for all aspects of Primary Care, the medical mobilization and demobilization of soldiers, and taught medical lectures to improve the medical readiness of the U.S. Army.

I was awarded the Louisiana War Cross, two Army Accommodation medals, the Army Reserve Service Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Medal.

I was deployed to New Orleans, Louisiana, in August of 2005 with the Louisiana National Guard, as a medical officer for medical, rescue, and evacuation operations for Hurricane Katrina.

WORK HISTORY

December 2005-Present- Physician Assistant, Spine Institute of Louisiana, Dr. Euby Kerr. My duties include first assisting in surgery, hospital rounds, emergency room trauma call, evaluating new and post-surgical patients in the office, hospital and office dictation, disability and worker compensation forms, reading plain film radiographs of the cervical and lumbar spine for pre and post surgical patients.

May 2002-Present- Physician Assistant, Louisiana Orthopaedic and Spine Institute, Dr. Jorge Isaza. My duties include first assisting in spine surgery , hospital rounds, emergency room trauma call, and evaluating new and post-surgical patients in the office, hospital and office dictation, disability and worker compensation forms, reading plain film radiographs of the cervical and lumbar spine for pre and post-surgical patients.

August 2001-May 2002- Physician Assistant, Marshall Rural Health Clinic. My duties included all aspects of Primary Care.

1994-Present- Louisiana Army National Guard
I was a Combat Medic and a Pharmacy Technician in the guard for 8 years. I am presently a Physician Assistant in the Louisiana National Guard. My duties include: evaluate and triage casualties, teaching classes, treating and stabilizing life threatening injuries in a peaceful and hostile field environment, performing annual physicals, and conducting acute care for the soldiers in my unit.

EDUCATION

Fundamental Principles and Techniques in Spinal Surgery, Hands on Workshop and Symposium, Medical Education and Research Institute, Las Vegas, Nevada, February 2006.

Fundamental Principles and Techniques in Spinal Surgery, Hands on Workshop and Symposium, Medical Education and Research Institute, Memphis, Tennessee, August 2004

Controversies in Lumbar Spine Surgery, New Orleans, Louisiana
July 2004

Percutaneous Vertebroplasty, Hands on Workshop, Shreveport, La.
July 2004

IntraDiscal Electro Thermal Therapy, Training Course and Hands on Workshop, New Orleans, La., July 2002

Physician Assistant Program, Louisiana Health Sciences Center at Shreveport, La. August 18, 2001. GPA: 3.87 Bachelor of Science in Physician Assistant Studies.

LICENSES & CERTIFICATES

- Pharmacy Technician State License, 1998-2000
- Basic Life Support Certification, 1999-Currently
- Advanced Cardiac Life Support Certification, 2000-Currently
- NCCPA Certification in Primary Care and Surgery, 2001-Currently
- Texas State License-Physician Assistant, 2001-2005
- Louisiana State License-Physician Assistant, 2001-Present
- Advanced Trauma Life Support, 2003-Present
- Louisiana State Controlled Substance License, 2006-Present
- DEA Controlled Substance License, 2006-Present

AWARDS RECEIVED

- Accommodation Award from U.S. Army for graduating top five in Pharmacy Specialist Course-1995
- Army Achievement Medal-Soldier of the Year-2000
- Dean's List Physician Assistant Program-1999-2001
- Louisiana War Cross-2004
- Army Accommodation Medal-2004
- Global War on Terrorism Medal-2004