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# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS (PAs)

# CAN WORK

# AROUND THE WORLD

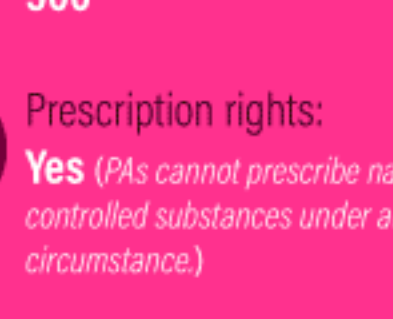


## USA

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in the USA? **Yes (of course)**
- USA PA Salary: **\$104,000** (\$60/hr and \$8,000/mo)
- Number of practicing PAs in the USA: **123,000**
- Prescription Rights: **Yes, in all 50 states including controlled substances in every jurisdiction except Kentucky**

- USA Professional PA Association: **American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA)**
- USA PA certification Exam: **Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam (PANCE) - The PANCE is 5 hours in duration and made up of five blocks of 60 questions (300 questions total). Administered by the NCCPA and follows the NCCPA Exam Content Blueprint. To be eligible for the PANCE, you must graduate from a program accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for Physician Assistants (ARC-PA)**

- USA Certification Maintenance: **100 Credits of CME every two years, pay a certification maintenance fee and pass the Physician Assistant Recertifying Exam (PANRE) every 10 years.**
- USA PA Day: **PA Week runs every year from October 6-12**

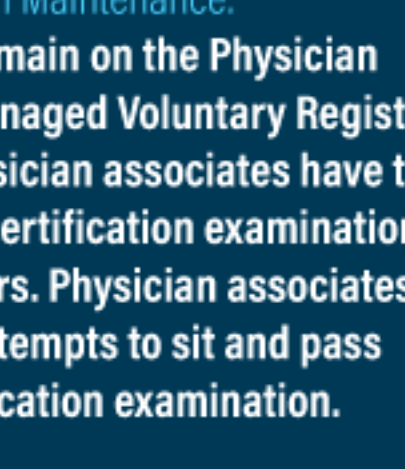
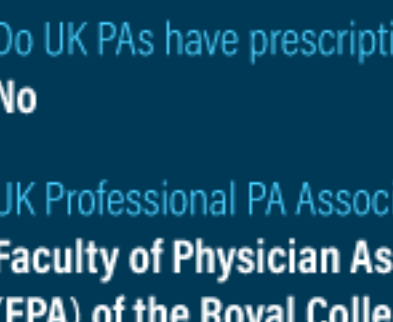


## CANADA

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Canada? **Yes**
- Canadian PA Salary: **\$115,090 (CAD)** / yr and **\$55 (CAD)** / hr (\$86.90/yr and \$41/hr USD)
- Number of PA programs: **4**

- Number of PAs practicing in Canada: **500**
- Prescription rights: **Yes (PAs cannot prescribe narcotics or controlled substances under any circumstance)**
- Canadian Professional PA Association: **Canadian Association of Physician Assistants (CAPA)**

- Canadian PA certification exam: **PA Cert Exam - The PA Cert Exam is 4-hours in duration and consists of 250 multiple choice questions (PA Cert Exam Blueprint)**
- Canadian Certification Maintenance: **Maintain certification by completion 40 Credits annually and must also complete at least 25 credits in each section of the Maintenance of Certification Program before cycle ends.**
- Canadian PA Day: **November 27th**

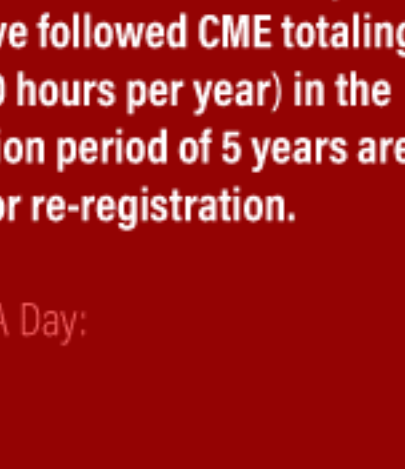


## UNITED KINGDOM

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in the UK? **Yes**
- UK PA Salary: **£33,222** (\$43,000 US) and **£49,969** (\$64,000 US)
- Number of PA programs in the UK: **31**

- Number of PAs practicing in the UK: **1350** (Practicing in both primary and secondary care and another 550 in training, with numbers in training predicted to rise)
- Do UK PAs have prescription rights: **No**
- UK Professional PA Association: **Faculty of Physician Associates (FPA) of the Royal College of Physicians**

- UK PA certification exam: **Physician Associate National Certification and Recertification exam**
- UK Certification Maintenance: **In order to remain on the Physician Associate Managed Voluntary Register (PAMVR) physician associates have to sit for the recertification examination every six years. Physician associates have three attempts to sit and pass the recertification examination.**
- UK PA Day: **Coming soon**

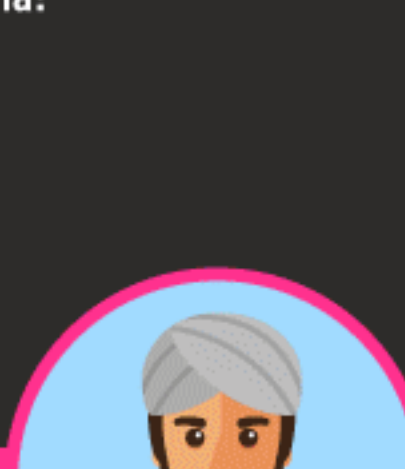


## NETHERLANDS

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in the Netherlands? **Yes**
- Netherlands PA Salary: **€ 82,402 (EUR)** / yr / € 40 (EUR) / hr (\$106, 00 /yr and \$51 /hr US)
- Number of PA programs: **5**

- Number of PAs practicing in the Netherlands: **1,000 +**
- Prescription rights: **Yes! (PAs are enabled by law to practice medicine autonomously, albeit at all times in collaboration with a medical doctor)**
- Netherlands Professional PA Association: **Dutch Association of Physician Assistants (NAPA)**

- Netherlands PA certification exam: **None - must complete PA program to be able to practice**
- Netherlands Certification Maintenance: **Minimum of 16 hours per working week and have followed CME totaling 200 hours (40 hours per year) in the last registration period of 5 years are considered for re-registration.**
- Netherlands PA Day: **Coming soon**

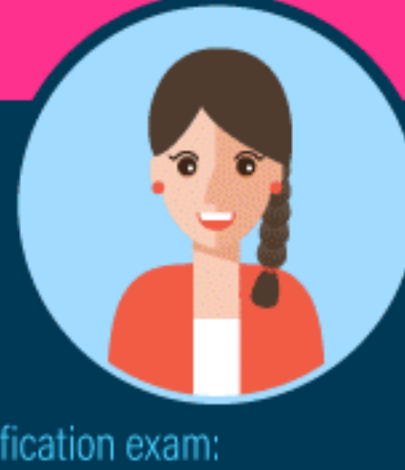


## LIBERIA

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Liberia? **?**
- Liberia PA Salary: **?**
- Number of PA programs: **1**

- Number of PAs practicing in Liberia: **?**
- Prescription rights: **Yes! (PAs in Liberia are allowed to do all medical activities with the exception of surgery)**
- Liberia Professional PA Association: **Liberia National Physician Assistant Association (LINPAA)**

- Liberia PA certification exam: **State Board Exams administered by the Physician Assistant Association Board of Examiners and Licensure**
- Liberia Certification Maintenance: **-**
- Liberia PA Day: **Let's go Liberia!**

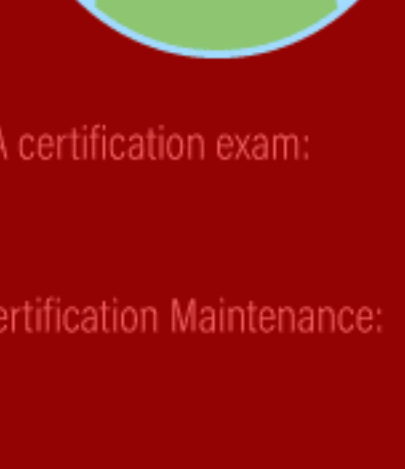
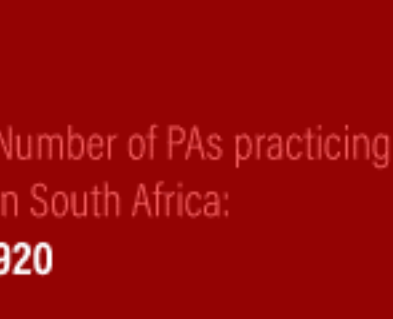


## INDIA

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in India? **Yes**
- India PA Salary: **₹ 15,794.09 (INR)** / month / ₹ 183,528 (INR) / yr (\$200 / month and 2,623.07 / yr USD)
- Number of PA programs: **47**

- Number of PAs practicing in India: **1,100 +**
- Prescription rights: **Yes, but limited that is in specified areas and under specified conditions**
- India Professional PA Association: **Indian Association of Physician Assistants (IAPA)**

- India PA certification exam: **Developing**
- India Certification Maintenance: **Developing**
- India PA Day: **Coming soon**

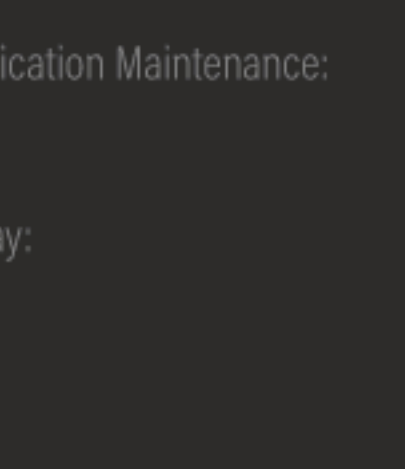


## GHANA

- Name: **Medical Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Ghana? **?**
- Ghana PA Salary: **1800 Ghana Cedis/month** (\$362 USD / month)
- Number of PA programs: **7**

- Number of PAs practicing in Ghana: **2000+**
- Prescription rights Ghana: **Yes, (but according to rules established by GHS, PAs are not allowed to administer certain first-line medications, as this responsibility is reserved for physicians.)**
- Ghana Professional PA Association: **The Ghana Physician Assistants Association (GPAA)**

- Ghana PA certification exam: **Licentiate Examination**
- Ghana Certification Maintenance: **Developing**
- Ghana PA Day: **Coming soon**



## SOUTH AFRICA

- Name: **Clinical Associate**
- Can US PAs practice in South Africa? **Yes**
- South Africa PA Salary: **69 (US\$453)/hour, R122,084 (US\$ 9,416)/Year**
- Number of PA programs: **3**

- Number of PAs practicing in South Africa: **920**
- Prescription rights South Africa: **Yes**
- South Africa Professional PA Association: **The Professional Association of Clinical Associates in South Africa (PACASA)**

- South Africa PA certification exam: **Not required**
- South Africa Certification Maintenance: **-**
- South Africa PA Day: **Coming soon**



## AUSTRALIA

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Australia? **Yes, (most especially in South Australia)**
- Australia PA Salary: **AUS\$3,27 (US\$32.87)/hour and AUS\$6700/month, AUS\$90,000 (US\$ 68,363)/annum**
- Number of PA programs: **1**

- Number of PAs practicing in Australia: **?**
- Prescription rights Australia: **Physician Associates are not allowed to prescribe drugs**
- Australia Professional PA Association: **The Australian Society of Physician Assistants (ASPA)**

- Australia PA certification exam: **None**
- Australia Certification Maintenance: **-**
- Australia PA Day: **Coming soon**

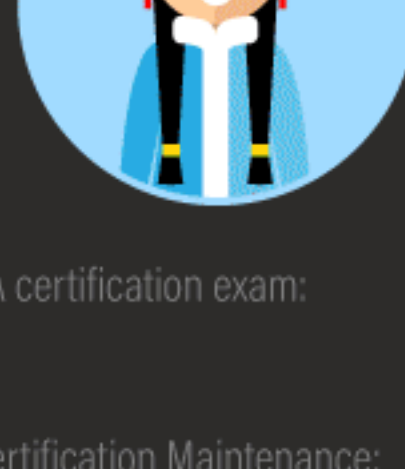


## SAUDI ARABIA

- Name: **Assistant Physician**
- Can US PAs practice in Saudi Arabia? **?**
- Saudi Arabia PA Salary: **SAR 132,000/year**
- Number of PA programs: **?**

- Number of PAs practicing in Saudi Arabia: **?**
- Prescription rights Saudi Arabia: **Yes, (but not in all Occasions)**
- Saudi Arabia Professional PA Association: **None**

- Saudi Arabia PA certification exam: **Comprehensive Certifying Examination**
- Saudi Arabia Certification Maintenance: **-**
- Saudi Arabia PA Day: **Coming soon**



## GERMANY

- Name: **Assistant Physician**
- Can US PAs practice in Germany? **?**
- Germany PA Salary: **3,600 EUR per month** (\$4,076 / month US)
- Number of PA programs: **7**

- Number of PAs practicing in Germany: **100+**
- Prescription rights in Germany: **No prescription right**
- Germany Professional PA Association: **None**

- Germany PA certification exam: **Yes, state certification permits**
- Germany Certification Maintenance: **None**
- Germany PA Day: **Coming soon**

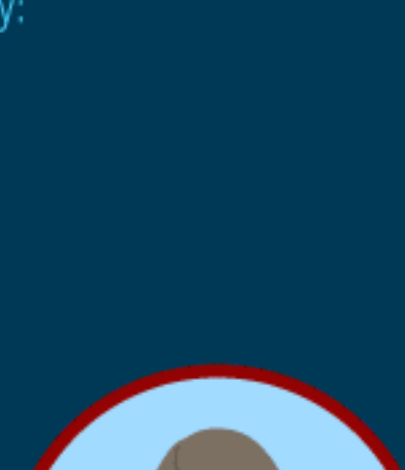


## NEW ZEALAND

- Name: **Physician Associate**
- Can US PAs practice in New Zealand? **Yes**
- New Zealand PA Salary: **NZ \$67/hr and Average of NZ \$140,061/yr** (\$46 USD/hr and \$96,000 USD/yr)
- Number of PA programs: **1**

- Number of PAs practicing in New Zealand: **25+**
- Prescription rights New Zealand: **No, (physician assistants can't prescribe)**
- New Zealand Professional PA Association: **New Zealand Physician Associate Society (NZPAS)**

- New Zealand PA certification exam: **Developing**
- New Zealand Certification Maintenance: **Developing**
- New Zealand PA Day: **Coming soon**



## AFGHANISTAN

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Afghanistan? **No**
- Afghanistan PA Salary: **?**
- Number of PA programs: **1**

- Number of PAs practicing in Afghanistan: **65+**
- Prescription rights Afghanistan: **No prescription rights**
- Afghanistan Professional PA Association: **None**

- Afghanistan PA certification exam: **Developing**
- Afghanistan Certification Maintenance: **None**
- Afghanistan PA Day: **Coming soon**



## ISRAEL

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Israel? **Yes**
- Israel PA Salary: **139 (ILS)/hr /286,644 (ILS)/yr**
- Number of PA programs: **1**

- Number of PAs practicing in Israel: **50+**
- Prescription rights Israel: **Yes, they have prescribing rights though not in all case**
- Israel Professional PA Association: **Ministry of Health (MOH)**

- Israel PA certification exam: **Normal Training course**
- Israel Certification Maintenance: **None**
- Israel PA Day: **Coming soon**



## BULGARIA

- Name: **Physician Assistant**
- Can US PAs practice in Bulgaria? **Yes**
- Bulgaria PA Salary: **14 лв. (BGN)/hr and 28 261 лв. (BGN)/yr** (\$8.17 and \$16,482 US)
- Number of PA programs: **1**

- Number of PAs practicing in Bulgaria: **30+**
- Prescription rights Bulgaria: **None**
- Bulgaria Professional PA Association: **Developing**

- Bulgaria PA certification exam: **Developing**
- Bulgaria Certification Maintenance: **Developing**
- Bulgaria PA Day: **Coming soon**



## IRELAND

- Name: **Physician Associate**
- Can US PAs practice in Ireland? **Yes**
- Saudi Arabia PA Salary: **Ireland PA Salary: €36 (EUR)/hr and €75,148 (EUR)/yr** (\$41 US /hr and \$95,702 /yr)
- Number of PA programs: **One**

- Number of PAs practicing in Ireland: **25+**
- Prescription rights Ireland: **None**
- Ireland Professional PA Association: **Irish Association of Healthcare Assistants (IAHA)**

- Ireland PA certification exam: **Developing**
- Ireland PA Certification Maintenance: **None**
- Ireland PA Day: **Coming soon**