

Psychiatric Physician Assistant/Associate (PA)



Job Description: Under the supervision of a licensed physician, this professional provides care for patients with mental illnesses. Their work includes assessments, medication management, and treatment.

Average Salary (South Carolina): \$113,436

National Salary Average: \$119,333

Educational/Experiential/Training Requirements

Optional step*

1. **Bachelor's Degree** (*Any major*)
2. **Hands-on clinical experience**
3. **Master's Degree** (*Physician Assistant program*)
4. **Fellowship or CAQ program in psychiatric/mental health specialty***

Eligible for [SC Behavioral Health Loan Repayment Program](#) under certain criteria

Licensure/Certification Requirement(s)

1. **National Certification, Physician Assistant/Associate (PA),** *National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA)*
2. **State Licensure, Physician Assistant/Associate (PA),** *South Carolina Board of Medical Examiners*

Continuing Education Renewal Requirement(s)

1. **100 hours of continuing medical education (CME) credits every 2 years**
2. **Recertification through PANRE® exam every 10 years**

