

# Stephanie Pertchi

Board Certified Physician Assistant

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## Education

### Master of Physician Assistant Studies

Trine University – Fort Wayne, IN

Graduation: December 2025

- Pi Alpha Honor Society, Inducted 2025

### Bachelor of Science – Biomedical Sciences, Behavioral Neuroscience

Grand Valley State University – Allendale, MI

Graduation: April 2023

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## Work Experience

### Rehabilitation Technician | Hope Network Rehabilitation

Grand Rapids, MI

September 2020 – June 2023

- Managed daily care of long term care patients including dressing, feeding, bathing, and transportation
  - Managed medications
  - Assisted physicians, physical and occupational therapists, and nurses in patient care
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## Clinical Experience

### Family Medicine

Select Health PC

January – February 2025

Dr. Charles Whitaker IV, MD – Coldwater, MI

- Managed acute and chronic conditions across pediatric, adult, and geriatric patients.
- Conducted comprehensive physical exams and provided preventive care, emphasizing patient education and shared decision-making.
- Performed office procedures including venipuncture, immunizations, cyst excisions, and assisted with in-office vasectomies.
- Interpreted laboratory and imaging results to guide treatment plans.

### Orthopedic Surgery

Family Practice and Orthopedic Care Center

February – March 2025

Dr. Richard J Hartman Jr, DO – Coldwater, MI

- First assisted in arthroplasties, arthroscopies, fracture repairs, and other orthopedic procedures.
- Performed joint injections, wound closures, pre- and post-op evaluations, and patient education.
- Interpreted X-rays, CTs, and MRIs to support diagnosis and treatment planning.
- Managed acute and chronic orthopedic conditions in all age groups, collaborating with both surgeons and APPs.

### Urgent Care

Parkview Physicians Group, Walk-In Clinic

March – April 2025

Dr. Jamie Broekhuizen, DO – Fort Wayne, IN

- Managed acute illnesses and injuries in pediatric, adult, and geriatric patients in a high-volume setting.
- Performed procedures including laceration repairs, pelvic exams, wound cultures, foreign body removals, and sports physicals.
- Interpreted point-of-care testing (UA, rapid strep, influenza, COVID), collaborated with supervising providers to develop patient-centered treatment plans, and gained experience with EPIC EMR documentation.

## **Pediatrics**

Van Wert Health Pediatrics

April 2025

Abbie Evans, NP-C – Van Wert, OH

- Performed well-child visits, acute illness evaluations, and sports physicals.
- Assessed growth charts and developmental milestones to monitor age-appropriate progress.
- Educated patients and parents on vaccines, preventive care, and healthy lifestyle practices.
- Collaborated with supervising providers to create treatment and management plans for common pediatric conditions.

## **Obstetrics and Gynecology**

Women's Life Cycles

May 2025

Dr. Jyothi Nichanametla, MD – Canton, MI

- Assisted in pelvic and breast exams, Pap smears, transvaginal and transabdominal ultrasounds, IUD placements, and endometrial biopsies.
- Provided contraception counseling and patient education on reproductive health.
- Collaborated with supervising providers to create patient-centered treatment and management plans.
- Participated in prenatal visits, monitoring fetal heart tones, maternal health and fetal development.

## **Internal Medicine**

Northeast Internal Medicine Associates

June 2025

Stefanie Shire, NP-C – Kendallville, IN

- Managed complex chronic diseases and medication regimens for adult and geriatric patients.
- Interpreted laboratory and imaging results to support diagnostic and treatment decisions.
- Performed comprehensive physicals, including sports and disability examinations.
- Collaborated with supervising providers to develop long-term management plans and patient education strategies.

## **Ears, Nose, and Throat (Elective)**

University of Michigan Health: West, ENT

July – August 2025

Aleica Kovatch, PA-C – Grand Rapids, MI

- Evaluated and managed acute and chronic ENT conditions in outpatient and surgical settings.
- Assisted in tympanostomies, tonsillectomies, septoplasties, foreign body removals, and thyroidectomies; observed bronchoscopies with biopsy and adenoidectomies.
- Performed cerumen removal using forceps, microsuction, and curettes; assisted in nasopharyngoscopies.
- Interpreted head and neck CTs, MRIs, and audiograms to support diagnosis and treatment planning.

## **Integrative Medicine (Elective)**

Parkview Physician's Group, Integrative Medicine

August – September 2025

Briana Aspy, PA-C – Fort Wayne, IN

- Managed chronic and preventive conditions across pediatric, adult, and geriatric populations.
- Developed individualized treatment plans incorporating both botanical and pharmaceutical options.
- Educated patients on disease processes, supplements, medications, lifestyle modifications, and preventive strategies.
- Interpreted specialized laboratory results including hormone studies, vitamin levels, SIBO breath tests, hair analysis, and heavy metals testing.
- Documented patient encounters and care plans using the Epic EMR system.

## **Family Medicine (Elective)**

Family Practice and Orthopedic Care Center

September – October 2025

Ashley La Presto, PA-C - Coldwater, MI

- Evaluated patients across all ages for both acute and chronic conditions.
- Performed physical exams, breast exams, and preventive health screenings along with documented patient encounters and care plans using IMS EMR.
- Ordered diagnostic testing, interpreted results, and developed treatment plans.
- Assisted with minor office procedures including skin tag removals.

### Behavioral Health

Parkview Physicians Group, Behavioral Health

October 2025

Carrier Meyer, PA-C - Fort Wayne, IN

- Conducted comprehensive psychiatric evaluations in the emergency department for psychosis, substance intoxication/withdrawal, and suicidal or homicidal ideation.
- Developed individualized treatment plans and determined appropriate levels of care, including inpatient admission versus outpatient follow-up.
- Prescribed and managed medications for acute psychosis and substance-related conditions.

### Emergency Medicine

Professional Emergency Physicians - Parkview

October - November 2025

Michelle Saylor, PA-C - Fort Wayne, IN

- Evaluated patients of all ages presenting with a wide range of emergent medical conditions.
- Performed procedures including laceration repair, abscess incision and drainage, pelvic exams, slit lamp eye examinations, and ear foreign body removal.
- Ordered and interpreted diagnostic labs and imaging to guide clinical decision-making.
- Developed evidence-based treatment plans and participated in the management of psychiatric emergencies.

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## Clinical Proficiencies

Comprehensive history and physical exam (stethoscope, otoscope, & ophthalmoscope use), differential diagnoses development, evidence-based treatment planning, laboratory and imaging interpretation, patient counseling and education, laceration suturing and stapling, wound closure, incision and drainage, splinting and casting, joint aspiration and injection, venipuncture, airway management, ECG interpretation, point of care testing, blood glucose monitoring, pelvic and speculum exam, PAP smear, breast exam, mental health screening, surgical assistance, local anesthetic administration, EMR experience (EPIC, IMS), clear communication, quick learning, emphasis on team work and interprofessional collaboration.

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## Licenses, Memberships, and Certifications

**Medical Physician Assistant State License** | 2026

**ACLS Certification** | renews 12/2026

**BLS Certification** | renews 12/2026

**PALS Certification** | renews 12/2026

**HIPAA Certification** | completed 10/2024

**OSHA Certification** | completed 10/2024

**QPR Suicide Prevention Certification** | completed 10/2023

**NCCPA Member**

**American Academy of Physician Assistants**

**Member SAAPA Class of 2025** - Social Chair