Preceptor, Adjunct, Faculty: Opportunities to Give Back through PA Education

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Session Objectives

- Identify the various roles and opportunities available in PA education.
- Recognize the benefits and challenges to educating PA students.
- Discuss the expectations of an adjunct faculty member when working with a PA program.
- Describe the responsibilities and rewards for full-time PA faculty members.
- List resources available for transitioning into an academic role.

Outline

Precepting Adjunct Faculty Faculty Next Steps			
Faculty Next Steps			
Next Steps			
Additional Strategies and Resources			
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Growth of PA Programs



Growth of PA Programs 1991-2022

ARC-PA Update 2021

Growth of PA Programs

Total Number of Accredited PA Programs Potential Number of Accredited PA Programs by 2024





Opportunities

>80% of PA programs had a faculty or staff job opening in 2018-2019*

Nearly half of faculty have < 5 years of experience in PA education

80% of faculty transitioned directly from clinical practice

> PAEA Program Report 35, 2020 PAEA Faculty Report 4, 2020

*Data captured prior to COVID

Barriers

Salary

Lack of qualified candidates

Candidates' lack of teaching experience

PAEA Program Report 35, 2020

Precepting



Qualities of a Good Preceptor

🗂 Invested

Passionate

Introduces/orients students to the practice

Enjoys teaching

- Incorporates students into patient care/workflow
- Tailors clinical teaching to an individual student
- Promotes self-directed learning



Effectively communicates with students and PA program

PAEA, Preceptor Orientation Handbook

Providing Student Feedback

Ongoing and timely

Positive and constructive

Resources:

- The One-Minute Preceptor
- Ask-Tell-Ask Feedback Model
- SNAPPS

Benefits and Challenges

Benefits

- Educating the next generation of PAs
- Staying current with medical knowledge
- CME: Category I and II
- Program-specific benefits

Challenges

- Support
- Time/productivity requirements
- Quality of students
- Providing student feedback

Evans 2018 Brown 2017 Hudak 2014

Adjunct Faculty





How to Get Involved in Academia?

Opportunities

Lecturing

Small groups

Skills lab facilitator

Proctoring simulation events

Faculty



"A Day in the Life of a PA Faculty Member"



Teaching



Service



Scholarship



Additional Responsibilities

Administrative tasks Accreditation requirements Mentoring and coaching students



Rewards

"The Light Bulb Moment" Rank and Tenure Scholarly recognition Collaboration

Additional Responsibilities and Rewards

Next Steps

Most Important Factors for Faculty when Selecting a PA Program



Stress of Transition from Clinical Practice to Academia



Program Support During Transition from Clinical Work to Academia



LEAST SATISFYING ASPECTS OF JOB

Faculty



Nearly 90% of Faculty would probably or definitely still be a PA Educator

MOST SATISFYING ASPECTS OF JOB



Additional Strategies and Resources



The One-Minute Preceptor

Get	Get a commitment
Probe	Probe for evidence
Teach	Teach a general rule
Reinforce	Reinforce what was done well
Correct	Correct mistakes

First:

Ask-Tell-Ask Feedback Model



SNAPPS

S	 Summarize (history and findings)
Ν	Narrow differentials
A	Analyze differentials
Ρ	 Probe preceptor about uncertainties
Р	• Plan management
S	 Select a case-related issue for self- directed learning

Wolpaw 2003



Tips for Transition

Q&A



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