WHO’S INTERESTED IN RURAL PRACTICE?

45% of all PAs

54% of all PA Students

The Most Interested Groups

53% PAs in Primary Care

64% PAs in Emergency Medicine

74% PA Students who grew up in rural areas

WHAT ARE THE PERCEIVED BARRIERS* TO PAs WORKING IN RURAL AREAS?

Spouse Opportunities

74%

Undesirable Areas

59%

Compensation

57%

Unable to be Sole Provider

51%

Collaborating Physician Availability

48%

State Supervision Requirements

40%

*Moderate to Severe Barriers to Rural Practice

Sample Information

1,488 PAs responded to the AAPA PA Practice Survey in November 2021.
2,462 PA students responded to the AAPA Student Survey in February 2022.

To learn more, please read:
PA Interest in Rural Settings, Medically Underserved Areas, and Health Professional Shortage Areas