James Burkett, DHSc, EMT-P, PA-C, DFAAPA, SrFSEMPA

Dr. Burkett is a medical practitioner with more than 40 years of patient care experience in Emergency Medicine, Surgery, Interventional Radiology, and Medical Education. Dr. Burkett is a 1980 graduate of the Community College of Allegheny in Pittsburg. Pennsylvania. He received and has maintained the NCCPA Certification with special recognition in primary care and surgery. .PA Burkett was selected for and completed the prestigious 18-month PA Surgical Residency at Montefiore Hospital in NYC. In 2009 he was awarded a Master of Science in Advanced Physician Assistant Studies (MS-APA) specializing in Education and Leadership from A.T. Still University in Mesa, Arizona. While employed as the Director of the post-graduate Advanced PA Program, he went on to earn a Doctor of Health Science degree in 2016 from Nova Southeastern University, where he volunteers as an adviser. He is also an advisor with Eko Devices, Inc., a company that revolutionized the stethoscope. Dr. Burkett helped create and now teaches the Medical Professional Legal Consultant course offered by The Center for Legal Studies, a member of the BARBRI Group. While involved with patient care, Dr. Burkett prefers to be addressed PA Burkett, so his patients do not confuse him with being a medical or osteopathic physician.

In addition to patient care, Dr. Burkett serves with a Disaster Medical Services team, and he reached the rank of Major receiving many awards while serving with the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary for over 20 years. He is an active volunteer with local, state, and national professional organizations. In his spare time, he enjoys the company of his wife Verna, a medical education clinical coordinator, and master gardener.

Education

- Community College of Allegheny County: Physician Assistant (PA), 1980
- A.T. Still University: Master of Science in Advanced Physician Assistant Studies, 2009
- Nova Southeastern University: Doctor of Health Science (DHSc) 2016

Residency

 The Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University Montefiore Medical Center Postgraduate Residency for Physician Assistants in General & Special Surgery, 1988

Certifications & Awards

- National Commission of Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA)
- Distinguished Fellow designation by the American Academy of Physician Assistants, 2008
- Senior Fellow designation by the Society of Emergency Medicine Physician Assistants,
 2014

- National Certification in Advanced Cardiac, Pediatric & Trauma Life Support
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Recognition on March 1, 2003 by Tom Ridge, Secretary of Homeland Security for being a founding member of the Department of Homeland Security
- U.S. Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, National Disaster Medical System, Certificate of Appreciation received on November 14, 2017 from Acting Director Ron Miller.

Publications

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