

# **Lisa A. Raaf MS, PA-C**

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## **-----Work Experience-----**

### ***University of Colorado School of Medicine/Steadman Hawkins Clinic- Denver, CO***

Instructor/Sports Medicine Physician Assistant to Dr. Jason Dragoo- Team Physician Denver Nuggets

(August 2023-present)

- First assist in complex knee surgery including MPFL reconstruction with TTOs, HTOs, cartilage transplants (osteochondral allograft & DeNovo), MISHA device implantations, revision ACL reconstructions
- Treat complex knee conditions in autonomous clinic
- Extensive knowledge of biologic treatments including leukocyte poor or rich PRP, A2M, BMAC and Lipogems

### ***Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush- Chicago, IL***

Sports Medicine Physician Assistant to Dr. Nikhil Verma- Head Team Physician Chicago White Sox

(June 2019- August 2023)

- Lead physician assistant responsible for managing and educating team of three PAs, orthopedic residents and sports medicine fellows
- Assist in shoulder, knee and elbow surgeries including arthroscopic rotator cuff repair, superior capsular reconstruction, labral repairs, Latarjet stabilization, total shoulder replacement, arthroscopic meniscus root repairs and osteochondral allograft transplants
- Prepare bone to bone patella tendon, hamstring, quad and Achilles auto and allografts for use in UCL, ACL, PCL and, MPFL reconstructions and prepare CuffMend Patches and dermal allografts for rotator cuff repair augmentation
- Diagnose/treat 60+ patients a week including autonomous clinic & worker's compensation cases
- Administer intra-articular knee, shoulder and elbow injections
- Administer proximal biceps tendon sheath, AC joint and lateral/medial epicondyle injections with ultrasound guidance
- Coordinate surgical lineup and equipment needs with medical sales representatives and OR staff
- Knowledge of Athena, Epic, Systemedx and SIS Charts electronic medical record systems

### ***Bone and Joint Specialists- Merrillville, IN***

Physician Assistant (August 2018-June 2019)

- First assist during general orthopedic, total joint, sports medicine, hand & upper extremity procedures
- Collaborate with team of five surgeons and three other physician assistants
- Participate in monthly weekend call schedule
- Administer intra-articular knee, shoulder, thumb basilar, trigger finger, trochanteric bursa, carpal tunnel and PRP injections

- Apply and remove long arm, short arm, short leg and thumb spica casts

***Romano Orthopaedics- West Suburban Hospital, Oak Park, IL***

Medical Research Assistant (2015-2016)

- Gathered patients' vitals and medical history
- Fit patients for durable medical equipment
- Improved practice efficiency by creating templates for EClinicalWorks electronic medical record

-----**Education**-----

**Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, North Chicago, IL**

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Practice- June 2018

- Thesis: *The Efficacy and Safety of Direct Oral Anticoagulants for VTE Prophylaxis after Total Joint Arthroplasty*

**University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN**

Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences- May 2015

**University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland**

Study Abroad Program Participant -Fall 2013

-----**Certifications and Memberships**-----

Licensed Physician Assistant in the State of Colorado: PA.0007936

Licensed Physician Assistant in the State of Illinois: 085.007076

- IL controlled substance license: 385.005484

Licensed Physician Assistant in the State of Indiana: 10002548A

- IN controlled substance license: 10002548B

National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) Certified

American Heart Association BLS & ACLS for Healthcare Providers Certified

American Academy of Physician Assistants Member since 2018

**References- available upon request**