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I am writing to express my interest in the Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery Physician Assistant position with Trinity Health IHA Medical Group in Ann Arbor, MI. I currently work as an Emergency Medicine Physician Assistant, but since graduating I have been eager to break into this field.

I graduated from the Central Michigan University Physician Assistant Program in July of 2022. During my time there I was able to complete an elective rotation at Munson Healthcare Great Lakes Plastic Surgery and Skin Center in Traverse City, MI. I worked directly with Dr. F. Matthew Smith, Dr. John W. Polley, and Emily Hedley, PA-C. I spent most of that time first assisting in the OR for a variety of cosmetic and reconstructive surgeries. When I wasn’t in the OR I was in the office performing consults, assisting with injectable procedures, seeing a variety of dermatologic conditions, and assisting in the treatment of wound care patients. Having the opportunity to experience what a Physician Assistant can do in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery has solidified my desire to pursue a career in this field.

Since I was young, I have been drawn to creative expression such as cooking, baking, painting, and interior design. As I envision a career in Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, I know I would thrive by combining creativity with medicine and quality patient care. With my drive to learn and desire to empower my patients, I believe I am an ideal candidate for this position.

I am determined to gain as much knowledge as possible and will not shy away from an opportunity to do so. I am confident that my motivation to learn and positive outlook would make me a valuable member of your team.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to speaking with you soon.

Sincerely,

Colleen Graves, PA-C