

# DANIELLE (BRILEY) CUMMINS

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## OVERVIEW

Ambitious, empathetic, and outgoing team-player seeking a full time Physician Assistant position where I will be able to apply my medical knowledge and passion for serving others in a specialized care setting. As someone who underwent a complete thyroidectomy at a young age, I take particular interest in the physiology of the endocrine system and understand the importance of a strong patient-provider relationship in this field.

## HEALTH/PATIENT CARE EXPERIENCE

### PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT – EMERGENCY MEDICINE

*March 2023 – October 2023*

Grand River Emergency Medical Group, Trinity Health ED

- Conducted thorough and efficient patient assessments, obtaining relevant medical histories and performing physical examinations to rapidly identify and prioritize emergent medical conditions.
- Ordered and interpreted diagnostic tests such as laboratory work, imaging studies, and electrocardiograms to aid in the accurate diagnosis and treatment of patients.
- Communicated effectively with patients and their families, explaining diagnoses, treatment plans, and discharge instructions in a clear and empathetic manner.

### PATIENT CARE ASSISTANT

*August 2018 – December 2019*

Trinity Health Grand Rapids, Staffing Center

- Provided comprehensive patient care across various units and departments, adapting quickly to different medical specialties and patient populations.
- Assisted with activities of daily living (ADLs), vital sign monitoring, and mobility support, ensuring the comfort and well-being of patients in diverse healthcare settings.
- Followed established hospital protocols and safety standards consistently to uphold the highest level of patient safety and infection control practices.

### PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN

*September 2017 – August 2018*

Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services, Adult Residential Unit

- Fostered a therapeutic and supportive environment for residents in the adult residential unit, promoting positive interactions and communication.
- Conduct regular observations of residents to monitor changes in behavior, mood, or mental status, promptly reporting any concerns to the clinical staff.
- Received specialized training in crisis intervention and de-escalation techniques to effectively manage challenging situations and prevent potential harm to residents or staff.

## EDUCATION

### GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

Master of Science in Physician Assistant Studies

*Obtained: December 2022*

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Minor in Spanish

*Obtained: April 2019*

## CLINICAL ROTATIONS

### INTERNAL MEDICINE

*January & February 2022*

**Corewell Health Meijer Heart Center, Inpatient Cardiovascular Services**

*Preceptors: Emily Wiles, PA-C; David Klungle, PA-C; Ashly Sweet, PA-C*

- Assessed hospitalized patients with a wide array of cardiovascular conditions and formulated differential diagnoses, appropriate workup, and treatment plans.
- Expanded knowledge of cardiac medications, pathophysiology of cardiac disease, and ECG interpretation.

**Corewell Health United Memorial Hospital, General Adult Inpatient Unit**

*Preceptors: Dr. Kristen VanderHorn, DO; Dr. Kevin Coalter, MD; Dr. Bobbye Koning, MD*

- Obtained and documented full histories and physical exams on patients admitted to general medical floor.
- Monitored appropriate labs, imaging, and medication regimens for a multitude of unique medical conditions.
- Followed up with assigned patients and formulated daily progress notes.

**RURAL/UNDERSERVED MEDICINE**

*March 2022*

**Trinity Health Sparta Health Center**

*Preceptors: Amy Werling, PA-C; Gary Detweiler, PA-C*

- Implemented proficiency in Spanish language to conduct full medical appointments and form therapeutic relationships with Spanish-speaking patients.
- Evaluated patients' personal financial situations and insurance coverage to determine the most cost-effective treatment options, including patients with Medicare/Medicaid.

**EMERGENCY MEDICINE**

*April 2022*

**Trinity Health Saint Mary's Emergency Department**

*Preceptor: Corey Schaedig, PA-C*

- Evaluated acute care patients, formulated broad differential diagnoses, ordered/interpreted appropriate testing, and determined best course of action based on these findings.
- Demonstrated adaptability and further enhanced time management skills to provide optimal patient care in a fast-paced and quickly changing environment.
- Performed/assisted with common emergency medicine procedures, including laceration repair, endotracheal intubation, central line insertion, incision and drainage, lumbar puncture, and ACLS.

**PSYCHIATRY**

*May 2022*

**Forest View Psychiatric Hospital**

*Preceptors: Dr. James VanHaren, MD; Katie Sloat, RN*

- Performed full psychiatric evaluations on adolescent patients admitted for acute crisis management.
- Determined appropriate treatment plan with careful consideration of risks, benefits, indications, and contraindications of a multitude of psychiatric medications.
- Monitored patients' progress via daily meetings, progress notes, and phone calls with patients' parents.

**PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE**

*June 2022*

**Corewell Health Helen DeVos Children's Hospital, PICU**

*Preceptors: Nikita VanDenBosch, PNP-AC; Ashley Eggleston, PNP-AC/PC; Emily Jandasek, DNP, PNP-AC*

- Enhanced ability to evaluate critically ill children, closely monitor patients' clinical status via labs and physical exams, and recognize/respond to critical situations.
- Expanded knowledge of common PICU conditions and their management, including acute respiratory failure and ventilator management, shock, drug overdose, severe infections, and traumatic injuries.
- Presented patients' progress and plans to providers from multiple disciplines at daily hospital rounds.

**GENERAL SURGERY**

*July 2022*

**Corewell Health Gerber Memorial Hospital**

*Preceptors: Dr. Jeremy Kuiper, MD; Dr. Erich Schafer, DO; Dr. Kegan Rummel, DO*

- Completed daily rounding and wrote progress notes on surgical patients admitted to hospital.
- Acted as first-assist in majority of surgical cases, with duties including wound closure via sutures/staples, insertion of ports for laparoscopic procedures, and retraction of tissue during abdominal procedures.
- Performed new consults/post-operative visits and assisted with in-office procedures in outpatient setting.

**FAMILY MEDICINE**

*August & September 2022*

**Trinity Health Sparta Health Center**

*Preceptors: Amy Werling, PA-C; Gary Detweiler, PA-C*

- Formed and documented appropriate treatment plans based on national guidelines for various chronic medical conditions, including hypertension, diabetes, asthma, COPD, hyperlipidemia, osteoarthritis, and heart failure.
- Performed numerous outpatient procedures, including suturing, skin lesion/nail removals, and injections.
- Demonstrated compassion, understanding, and professionalism to create a welcoming atmosphere and ensure best clinical outcomes for all patients.

## NEUROSURGERY

October 2022

### **Corewell Health Medical Group, Neurosurgical Services**

*Preceptor: Nicole Warren, PA-C*

- Assisted with care of patients in the neurological ICU, performed neurosurgical consults, and observed various neurosurgical procedures.
- Expanded knowledge of common neurological conditions and their treatments, including traumatic brain injuries, strokes, spinal cord injuries, and brain neoplasms.
- Evaluated and interpreted several head CT and MRI scans daily.

## OBSTETRICS & GYNECOLOGY

November 2022

### **War Memorial Hospital Sault Ste Marie**

*Preceptor: Dr. Kevin Sorah, DO*

- Demonstrated appropriate gynecological exams, including abdominal, pelvic, and breast exams.
- Participated in the care of obstetric patients, including pre/postnatal visits, vaginal deliveries, and cesarean sections.
- Auscultated fetal heart tones and measured fundal height during prenatal visits.
- Performed numerous speculum exams and pap smears for routine well-woman exams.

## OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### **Student Tutor (Spanish)**

*January 2017 – April 2018*

GVSU Tutoring Center

### **Mentor for Students with Autism**

*August 2016 – April 2017*

GVSU Campus Links Program

### **Study Abroad in Costa Rica**

*May 2017 – June 2017*

University Studies Abroad Consortium

### **Weekly Medical Research Blog, Senior Project**

*January 2019 – April 2019*

Frederik Meijer Honors College

## MEMBERSHIPS

### **Michigan Academy of Physician Assistants**

*August 2022 – Present*

Active Member

### **Richard Paul Clodfelter (RPC) GVSU PA Student Society**

*August 2020 – December 2021*

Elected Secretary and Student Member

### **Grand Valley State University Pre-PA Club**

*January 2019 – December 2019*

Student Member

### **Frederik Meijer Honors College at GVSU**

*August 2015 – April 2019*

Undergraduate Honors Student

## LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS

### **Physician Assistant License – State of Michigan**

*February 2023*

### **Controlled Substance License**

*February 2023*

### **Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Certification**

*February 2023*

### **Advanced Trauma Life Support Certification**

*February 2023*

### **Pediatric Advanced Life Support Certification**

*March 2023*

### **American Heart Association ACLS Certification**

*April 2023*

### **American Heart Association BLS Certification**

*April 2021*

### **Responsible Conduct of Research Certification**

*December 2021*

### **Institute for Healthcare Improvement Open School Basic Certification**

*December 2021*

## REFERENCES

### **Gary Detweiler, PA-C**

Preceptor for rural and family medicine rotations  
*Trinity Health Sparta & GVSU Campus Health Center*  
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### **Dr. Thomas Witham, MD**

Supervisor at Grand River Emergency Medical Group  
*Trinity Health ED (Grand Rapids & Byron Center)*  
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### **Amy Werling, PA-C**

Preceptor for rural and family medicine rotations  
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### **Dr. Andrew Booth, DHED, PA-C**

GVSU PA faculty member and professor  
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### **Amber Shull, PA-C**

Long-time family-friend  
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### **Dr. Jeremy Kuiper, MD**

Preceptor for general surgery rotation  
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