

Benjamin Prohaska, PA-C, MPAS, BC-ADM, DFAAPA

EDUCATION

Master of Science in **Physician Assistant Studies** *May 2003 – August 2005*
Pacific University. Forest Grove, Oregon

Bachelor of Science in **Cell and Molecular Biology**, Minor in **Chemistry** *August 1995 - December 1999*
University of Nevada Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada

Board Certified-Advanced Diabetes Management (**BC-ADM**) *June 2016 –Present*
American Association of Diabetes Educators
I am the only non-physician provider in the state of Nevada with this certification.

Eversense CGM (continuous glucose monitor) **Certified** for placement and removal since *August 2019*
I am the only non-physician provider in the state of Nevada with this certification.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Physician Assistant *December 2021 - Present* Reno, Nevada
Northern Nevada Endocrinology

Physician Assistant *July 2016 – Present* Nevada
Nevada Diabetes Association

- Volunteer Medical Provider for Diabetes kids camps and Teen camps.
- I have participated in seven week long camps, and six weekend camps.
My duties include participating in the care of 130 children ages 7-17 that have Type 1 Diabetes.

Physician Assistant *March 2020 – November 2021* Reno, Nevada
Northern Nevada Endocrinology

Physician Assistant *December 2016 – March 2020* Reno, Nevada
Renown Health Medical Group

- Department of Endocrinology
Clinical diabetes: Proficient in insulin pump and continuous glucose monitor therapy.
- KRNV Medical Minute interview on Diabetes 4/2017.
- KTVN Ask the Doctor interview on Diabetes 5/2017.

Physician Assistant *November 2014- November 2016* Reno, Nevada
Saint Mary's Medical Group

- Internal Medicine and Urgent Care
Clinical diabetes: Proficient in insulin pump and continuous glucose monitor therapy.
- KRNV Medical Minute interviewed on multiple occasions.
- Great Basin Medical Group was purchased by Saint Mary's Medical Group.

Physician Assistant *October 2007 – November 2014* Reno, Nevada
Great Basin Medical Group

Physician Assistant *July 2006 - October 2007* Reno, Nevada
Eastern Sierra Medical Group

Physician Assistant *October 2005 - May 2006*
Merry Medical Team

Gardnerville, Nevada

TEACHING & ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Adjunct community faculty / Clinical Preceptor *January 2016 – Present* Reno, Nevada
University of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine Physician Assistant Studies Program

- I lecture to the PA class during the didactic year for diabetes care, and pharmacology with respect to diabetes medications. I participate in reviewing applications and interviewing candidates for the PA program. I also participated in committee meetings prior to the start of the first class.

Clinical Preceptor *July 2009 – Present* Forest Grove, Oregon
Pacific University School of Physician Assistant Studies

- I precept second year PA students for their five week Endocrinology medicine rotation, and previously for Internal medicine rotations.

COMMUNITY & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Board Member *April 2017- Present* Nevada
Nevada Diabetes Association

- www.diabetesnv.org

Board Member *July 2022 – Present* Nevada
Immediate Past -President

- Nevada Academy of PAs

Committee Member *December 2020 – Present* United States
ADCES (Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists) CE Reviewer Committee.
ADCES Professional Practice Committee. Termed *December 2020 – December 2021*.

Committee Member *July 2015 – December 2017 and August 2022 - Present* Reno, Nevada
Prominence Health Plan Pharmacy and Therapies Committee

Advisory Committee Member *July 2019 – June 2021* Nevada
Nevada State Oral Health Advisory Committee
Nevada State Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public and Behavioral Health
I am the only PA on this committee.

Committee Member – American Diabetes Association Health Care Professional Legal Advocacy Network
American Diabetes Association *April 2013 – December 2020*

Board Member *July 2019 – July 2020* Nevada
Chief HOD – House of Delegate member for the AAPA (American Academy of PAs)

- Representing the **Nevada Academy of PAs**

Committee Member *October 2018 – July 2019* United States
CMS MIPS Outcome Measures

- Diabetes Clinician Committee for the project entitled “Development of Two Outpatient Outcome Measures for the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Diabetes Clinicians Committee”.
- CMS (Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services).

Board Member <i>July 2017 – July 2019</i>	United States
HOD – House of Delegate member for the AAPA (American Academy of PAs) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Representing the American Society of Endocrine Physician Assistants	
Board Member <i>January 2014 – July 2018 and July 2020 – July 2022</i>	Nevada
President Elect, President, and Past President <ul style="list-style-type: none">Nevada Academy of PAs	
Committee Member <i>July 2015 – December 2017 and August 2022 - Present</i>	Reno, Nevada
Prominence Health Plan Pharmacy and Therapies Committee	
Congressional Visit Program	United States
American Academy of PAs <i>October 15-16, 2007</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">I traveled to Washington DC as one of two physician assistants from the State of Nevada to speak with Senator John Ensign, Senator Harry Reid’s chief of staff, Representative Dean Heller, and Representative Shelly Berkley. We discussed the need for Medicare to enact laws allowing physician assistants to order hospice and skilled nursing care. This is now known as H.R. 2867 – Medicare Hospice Care Access Act of 2013	
Board Member – Northern Nevada Director	Nevada
Nevada Academy of PAs <i>December 2006 – July 2009</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Event coordinator for physician assistant programs in Northern Nevada.	

PUBLICATIONS

Akshay B. Jain., **Ben D. Prohaska.**, Tina Vilsboll., (2020) “Switching between GLP-1 receptor agonists in clinical practice: Expert consensus and practical guidance” *The International Journal of Clinical Practice* 2020;00:e13731. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ijcp.13731>

Kuhadiya, N.D., **Prohaska, B.P.**, Ghanim, H., Dandona, P., (2018) “Addition of glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist therapy to insulin in C-peptide-positive patients with type 1 diabetes.” *Diabetes Obes Metab.* 21: 1054-1057.

I have been a featured writer in *The Good Life* a Reno/Sparks local neighborhood magazine on two occasions. In November 2018 and, February 2019 issues. The discussion topics were what are the differences between type 1 and type 2 diabetes, and what is diabetes, pre-diabetes and how are they diagnosed.

CERTIFICATIONS & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- DFAAPA - Distinguished Fellow American Academy of PAs
- CPAAPA – Clinical Preceptor recognition program from the American Academy of PAs
- Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners *License Number PA943 2005 – present*
- National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants *License Number 1069967 2005 – present*
- Nevada State Board of Pharmacy *License Number PA00871 2005- present*
- U. S. Drug Enforcement Administration *License Number MP1326722 2005- present*
- National Provider Identification *License Number 1174652143*
- Fellow Member – Nevada Academy of PAs
- Fellow Member – American Academy of PAs