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## **CERTIFIED PA AT SCHUMACHER CLINICAL PARTNERS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED**

**Johns Creek, GA, June 28, 2018** – Kelly Williams Carroll, PA-C, who is employed by Schumacher Clinical Partners, has been nationally recognized for earning a specialty credential called a Certificate of Added Qualifications (CAQ) from the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA).

Carroll was recognized for earning a CAQ in Emergency Medicine, a distinction earned by meeting licensure, education and experience requirements and then passing a national exam in the specialty.

“Certified PAs who earn the CAQ demonstrate a strong commitment to lifelong learning and attention to evolving medical advancements in their area of practice,” says Dawn Morton-Rias, Ed.D, PA-C, president and CEO of NCCPA. “Not only have they maintained certification through continuing medical education programs and assessments throughout their careers, they have pursued and been awarded this additional credential that attests to their knowledge and skills in their specialty.”

CAQs are offered to certified PAs in seven specialties: cardiovascular and thoracic surgery, emergency medicine, hospital medicine, orthopedic surgery, nephrology, pediatrics and psychiatry.

### **About the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants**

The [National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants \(NCCPA\)](http://www.nccpa.net) is the only certifying organization for physician assistants (PAs) in the United States. The PA-C credential is awarded by NCCPA to PAs who fulfill certification, certification maintenance and recertification requirements. There are more than 123,000 certified PAs in the U.S. today. For more information, visit [www.PAsDoThat.net](http://www.PAsDoThat.net).

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