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To Whom It May Concern

I am a Physician Assistant student at CUNY York College and am writing to express my interest as a Emergency Medicine Physician Assistant (PA) at INSERT HOSPITAL HERE. After viewing the job description for PUT THE POSITION NAME HERE, it is clear the candidate not only needs to be familiar with the responsibilities associated with being an Emergency Medicine PA, but needs to be a clear communicator, self-motivated professional with good bed-side manner. I certainly have these skills and more that are necessary to not only successfully perform this job but exceed expectations.

As a PA student, I have demonstrated adaptability by working in fast-paced environments that are constantly changing. I am very passionate about patient care and serving the NYC community. Before PA school, I worked in the ICU in Crown Heights, Brooklyn as a nutrition support dietitian calculating tube feeds. Additionally, I worked in Bedstuy, Brooklyn at a Dialysis center as a renal dietitian responsible for reviewing monthly labs and educating >120 dialysis patients. In addition to working these jobs, I attended night courses to satisfy the requirements needed to apply to PA school. I chose to continue my schooling so that I could educate and treat patients on everything medical, not just topics related to diet. My admiration for emergency medicine started during my rotations in the pediatric emergency room, adult emergency medicine, and psychiatric emergency room. The enjoyed the challenge of treating a wide variety of conditions, making quick clinical decisions all while keeping a calm demeanor and good bedside manner with patients and their families. I have developed the necessary interpersonal skills, emotional intelligence and curiosity that would thrive in this setting.

During the pandemic, while I was working as a renal dietitian in dialysis, many of nurses and doctors were out sick leading me to have to take on more of a patient care role. During this time, I had to act as the gatekeeper to the dialysis floor. In the waiting room, every shift, I had to assess every patients vitals and symptoms and determine if they needed to go to the emergency room and not into the dialysis floor. This is not a normal duty for a dietitian and I was trained by the nurses and physician for what to look for. I remember this feeling of wanting to be the person that was taking care of them in the emergency room. I wanted to know what was being done there and to do it myself for them. After rotations, it is now clear to me that I want to pursue a career in this field and serve the members of my community with quality care. I will be graduating in Dec 2022 and sit for my PANCE board exam January 20, 2022. I would be honored and proud to work at INSERT HOSPITAL HERE as an emergency medicine PA-C. It has been my life-long dream to be a part of direct patient care. I want to be on the front-lines taking care of those being sent to the emergency room. Thank you for providing the opportunity to apply for this position, and I look forward to speaking with you soon

Sincerely, Natalie Johnson .