WAC 246-918-075  Background check—Temporary practice permit.
The commission may issue a temporary practice permit when the appli-
cant has met all other licensure requirements, except the national
criminal background check requirement. The applicant must not be sub-
ject to denial of a license or issuance of a conditional license under
this chapter.

(1) If there are no violations identified in the Washington crim-
inal background check and the applicant meets all other licensure con-
ditions, including receipt by the department of health of a completed
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) fingerprint card, the commission
may issue a temporary practice permit allowing time to complete the
national criminal background check requirements.

A temporary practice permit that is issued by the commission is
valid for six months. A one-time extension of six months may be gran-
ted if the national background check report has not been received by
the commission.

(2) The temporary practice permit allows the applicant to work in
the state of Washington as a physician assistant during the time peri-
od specified on the permit. The temporary practice permit is a license
to practice medicine as a physician assistant provided that the tempo-
rary practice permit holder has a delegation agreement approved by the
commission.

(3) The commission issues a license after it receives the nation-
al background check report if the report is negative and the applicant
otherwise meets the requirements for a license.

(4) The temporary practice permit is no longer valid after the
license is issued or the application for a full license is denied.

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