

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, February 2, 2022
MBP Board Room, Room 100**

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

**PRESENT VIA
ZOOM:**

Jennifer Norris, PA-C, Chair, Robert Roca, M.D., Kara R. Cossis, PA-C, Deborah Dunn, MBA, PA-C, Benita Wilson, Consumer Member

**STAFF PRESENT
VIA ZOOM:**

Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel, Matthew Dudzic, Health Policy Analyst, Rhonda Deanes, Lead Allied Health Analyst, Princess Sando, Allied Health Analyst, Michael Tran, Allied Health Analyst Assoc., Rosalee Lewis, Allied Health Analyst Assoc., Margaret Jury, Allied Health Analyst

ABSENT:

Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Timothy Capstack, M.D., FACP, William W. Ashley, M.D., FAANS

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Norris called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Cossis and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously approved the December 1, 2021 and January 5, 2022, Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATIVE, REGULATIONS, AND POLICY UPDATES

Mr. Dudzic informed the Committee about upcoming filing deadlines in the 2022 legislative session. He also provided a brief recap of the Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants' presentation to the Board regarding their legislative proposal to redefine physician assistants, and, the Board's subsequent questions and responses.

BOARD COUNSEL

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Norris informed the Committee that at its meeting on January 26, 2022, the Board accepted all recommendations that the Committee made at its January 5, 2022 Committee meeting, concerning addendums for advanced duties.

NEW BUSINESS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Matthew Brawn, PA-C/Harpal Khanuja, M.D., request to perform:

- *Closed Reduction of Vascularly Stable Fractures*
- *Closed Reduction of Vascularly Stable Dislocations*
- *Arthrocentesis*
- *Joint Injections*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Alexander M. Bury, PA-C/Mariam Hameed, M.D., request to perform:

- *Myofascial Trigger Point Injections*
- *Medium and Large Joint Injections (Knee and Shoulder)*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Regan Ashleigh Houston, PA-C/Kirby Scott, D.O., request to perform:

- *Nasal Endoscopy*
- *Flexible Laryngoscopy*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Sophia Leonard–Burns, PA-C/Wai Leong Foo, D.O., request to perform:

- *Pain Management Procedures: Pain Pump Implant Reprogram/Adjustment Analysis*

On a motion made by Ms. Cossis and seconded by Ms. Wilson, the Committee unanimously voted to table its ruling on this addendum pending its receipt and review of the following:

1. A written detailed description of what the performance of “Pain Pump Implant/Reprogram/Adjustment Analysis” entails;
2. A written statement specifying what is being reprogrammed and how; and
3. A written statement specifying what is being adjusted and how.

Patricia Muller, PA-C/Teresa Muns, D.O., request to perform:

- *Arthrocentesis*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Dunn, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

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Asiya Omarra, PA-C/Scott London, M.D., request to perform:

- *Laryngoscopy*
- *Nasal Endoscopy*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Dunn, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Hannah Ward Peeples, PA-C/Anthony Tannous, M.D., request to perform:

- *Insertion of Venous Lines (3L Catheter and Dialysis Catheter)*
- *Insertion of Chest Tubes*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Thomas W. Petry, PA-C/John Flowers, M.D., request to perform:

- *Conscious Sedation*

On a motion made by Ms. Cossis and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously voted to table its ruling on this addendum pending its receipt and review of Dr. Flowers' answer to the following question:

- Will Mr. Petry be performing the conscious sedation and the procedure requiring the conscious sedation, simultaneously (at the same time)?

Wilson C. Robinson, PA-C/George D. Bittar, M.D., request to perm:

- *Cardiac Stress Testing*

On a motion made by Ms. Dunn and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Karen J. Scott, PA-C/Karl Maki, M.D., request to perform:

- *Sphenopalatine Ganglion Nerve Blocks (SPG Blocks)*
- *Botox – Cervical Dystonia (CD)*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Dunn, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Carol Louise Smith, PA-C/Amita Jha, M.D., request to perform:

- *Advanced Psychopharmacological Treatment*
- *Behavioral Therapy of Psychiatric Disorders*
- *Evaluation and Basic Pharmacologic Treatment of Patients*
- *Psychotherapy*
- *Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Psychopharmacological Interventions, and Behavioral Interventions*

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On a motion made by Dr. Roca and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to table its ruling on this addendum pending its receipt and review of the following:

Verification of any/all additional education, training, and continuing medical education credits (CME's) that Ms. Smith has completed related to Behavioral Health.

LaToya Desiree White, PA-C/ Candis D. Grace-Lee, M.D., request to perform:

- *Implement Plan of Care Developed by Supervising Physician*
- *Prescription Refills for Established Patients and Medication Management Appointments for Established Patients*
- *Diagnostic Assessments*
- *Reviewing Labs*

On a motion made by Dr. Roca and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

WALK-INS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Amber Afshan Bokhari, PA_C/ Yarelis Guzman Quinones, M.D., request to perform:

- *Evaluation and Basic Pharmacologic Treatment of Patients with Psychiatric Disorders in a Psychiatric Setting*
- *Advanced Psychopharmacological Treatment*
- *Behavioral Therapy of Psychiatric Disorders*
- *Cognitive Behavioral Therapy*

On a motion made by Dr. Roca and seconded by Ms. Wilson, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Eric J. Davies, PA-C/Matthew A. Thomas, M.D., request to perform:

- *Arthrocentesis*
- *Myofascial Injections*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Kelly H. Schutz, PA-C/David Daniel Hager, M.D., request to perform:

- *Arthrocentesis*
- *Internal Jugular Central Venous Catheter Insertion*
- *Closed Reduction of Fractures and Dislocations*
- *Endotracheal Intubation*
- *Lumbar Puncture*
- *Gastrostomy Exchange/Replacement*

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ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Signature on file

Rhonda Deanes – Lead Allied Health Analyst