

MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, November 3, 2021
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, 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 4:07 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Cossis and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously approved the October 6, 2021, Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATION, REGULATIONS, AND POLICY UPDATES

Nothing to report.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Norris informed the Committee that at its meeting on October 20, 2021, the Board accepted all recommendations that the Committee made at its October 6, 2021, Committee meeting, concerning addendums for advanced duties. Ms. Norris reported that the Board approved one of the PA's request to perform Obstetrical Ultrasound but limited it to first trimester.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Kerri Leigh McDonald, PA-C/Benjamin D. Bernstein, M.D., request to perform:

- Photodynamic Therapy
- D & C Malignant Neoplasm

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

Tiffany A. Whitehead, PA-C/James Phillip Oberman, M.D., request to perform:

- Flexible Fiberoptic Laryngoscopy
- Nasal Endoscopy

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

NEW BUSINESS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Agron Belaj, PA-C/Brent Bauer, M.D., request to perform:

- Fracture Reduction
- Steinman Pin
- Joint Reduction

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.

Lindsey Taylor Blankenship, PA-C/Ryan M. Jander, M.D., request to perform:

- Tendon Sheath Injections – Finger
- Joint Injections – Knee

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.

Jason R. Brody, PA-C/Yarelis Guzman Quionones, M.D., request to perform:

- Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Psychopharmacological Interventions, and Behavioral Interventions, (which is inclusive of Evaluations and Basic Pharmacological Treatment of Patients with Psychiatric Disorders in a Psychiatric Setting, Advanced Pharmacological Treatment, Behavioral Therapy of Psychiatric Disorders, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Psychotherapy)
- Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS)

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

Julie A. Catlin, PA-C/Jay M. Barnett, M.D., request to perform:

- *Chemical Peels*
- *Excision and Repair of Malignant Lesions*
- *Skin Excision & Lesion Drainage*
- *Lesion Injections*
- *Destruction of Lesions*
- *Excimer (X-Trac) Laser & NB-UVB*

On a motion made by Ms. Dunn and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to table its recommendation of approval of this addendum to the Board pending its receipt and review of the following:

1. A procedure log documenting Ms. Catlin's performance of at least five more chemical peels (performed within the last two years) under Dr. Barnett's direct supervision.
2. Removal of "Skin Excision & Lesion Drainage" from the addendum because it is a core duty.
3. A written statement from Dr. Barnett specifying the following:
 - Whether Ms. Catlin will be performing the "Lesion Injections" (Intralesional Injections) on benign or malignant lesions;
 - The method that Ms. Catlin will use to destroy the lesions when performing the "Destruction of Lesions" procedure; and
 - Whether "Excimer (X-Trac) Laser & NB-UVB" is a single procedure or two separate procedures?
4. In the event that "Excimer (X-Trac) Laser & NB-UVB" are two separate procedures, provide a procedure log documenting Ms. Catlin's performance of at least 10 "NB-UVB" procedures performed within in the last 2 years under Dr. Barnett's direct supervision.

Abimbola O. Fasusi, PA-C/Anthony Tannous, M.D., request to perform:

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

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.

Jeffrey Frattali, PA-C/Jane Chew, M.D., request to perform:

- *Intralesional Injections*
- *Microneedling*

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

Rachael Friedel, PA-C/Anthony Tannous, M.D., request to perform:

- *Insertion of Central Venous 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.

Adanna Hackett, PA-C/Anthony Tannous, M.D., request to perform:

- *Placement and Removal of Central Venous Lines*
- *Placement and Removal of Chest Tubes (Thoracostomy)*

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Cossis, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the Board approve Adanna Hackett, PA-C and Dr. Anthony Tannous to perform Placement and Removal of Central Venous Lines and Placement of Chest Tubes (Thoracostomy) and that they inform Ms. Hackett and Dr. Tannous that “Removal of Chest Tubes” is a core duty.

Kerri Leigh McDonald, PA-C/Benjamin D. Bernstein, M.D., request to perform:

- *Excision (Benign and Low Malignancy) – Basal and Squamous*

On a motion made by Ms. Cossis and seconded by Ms. Dunn, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the Board approve this addendum with the specification that the “Excision (Benign and Low Malignancy – Basal and Squamous, be limited to 2.5 cm or less above the neck.

Maria Teresa Mercado, PA-C/ Marvin J. Feldman, M.D., request to perform:

- *Bone Marrow Aspiration and Biopsy*

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.

Ivan Mikhailau, PA-C/ Thomas Lewis Matthew, M.D., request to perform:

- *Endoscopic Saphenous Vein harvest*

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

Jade N. Naylor, PA-C/Jude Alexander, MD., request to perform:

- *Advanced Pharmacological Treatment*
- *Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Pharmacological Interventions, and Behavioral Interventions*
- *Evaluation and Pharmacological Treatment of Patients with Psychiatric Disorders in a Psychiatric Setting*

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.

Jade N. Naylor, PA-C/Gloria Osuruaka, M.D., request to perform:

- *Advanced Pharmacological Treatment*
- *Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Pharmacological Interventions, and Behavioral Interventions*
- *Evaluation and Pharmacological Treatment of Patients with Psychiatric Disorders in a Psychiatric Setting*

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.

Anna Renikova, PA-C/Jane Chew, M.D., request to perform:

- *GentleLase Hair Laser*
- *Intense Pulse Light*
- *Microneedling*
- *Botulinum Toxin Injections*
- *Intralesional Injections*
- *Skin Excisions*
- *Excision and Repair of Malignant Skin Lesions*

On a motion made by Ms. Dunn and seconded by Ms. Wilson, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board with the specification that the “Skin Excisions” and “Excision and Repair of Malignant Skin Lesions” be limited to 2.5 cm or less above the neck.

Nelia Sarmiento, PA-C/Oscar Galvis, M.D., request to perform:

- *Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Psychopharmacologic Interventions, and Behavioral Interventions*
- *Administration of Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation*

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

Nelia Sarmiento, PA-C/Candis Grace-Lee, M.D., request to perform:

- *Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Psychopharmacologic Interventions, and Behavioral Interventions*
- *Administration of Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation*

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.

Lauren Nicole Wood, PA-C/Shannon Roy Ginnan, M.D., request to perform:

- *Trigger Point injections*
- *Joint Injections (with Guided Ultrasound)*

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.

WALK-INS

None

FYI – PAAC’s 2022 Meeting Schedule

Ms. Wright provided the Committee with a copy of its 2022 meeting schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Submitted by:

Signature on File with the Board

Rhonda Deanes, Allied Health Analysis