

MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, November 1, 2023
MBP Board Room, Room 100

OPEN AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT VIA

ZOOM:

Robert Roca, M.D., William W. Ashley, M.D., FAANS, Janaki Champa Kuruppu, M.D., Jennifer Norris, PA-C, Deborah Dunn, MBA, PA-C, Benita Wilson, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT

VIA ZOOM:

Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Manager, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel, Michael Tran, Health Policy Analyst, Rhonda Deanes, Lead PA Analyst, Rosalee Lewis, Allied Health Analyst Associate, Donita Hardee, Allied Health Analyst Associate, Diane Duckett, Allied Health Analyst Associate, Margaret Jury, Allied Health Analyst

ABSENT:

Christine Farrelly, Executive Director, Kara R. Cossis, PA-C, Chair

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Norris called the committee meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Dr. Kuruppu, the Committee unanimously approved the October 4, 2023, Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATION, REGULATIONS, AND POLICY UPDATES

Mr. Tran informed the PAAC that the Governor's office has approved the Board's General Provisions and Physician Assistant legislative proposals and that the Policy Team is moving forward with the Board's 2024 legislative agenda.

BOARD COUNSEL

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Cossis was not present at the meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Miriam Noelle Dominguez, PA-C/Levan Atanelov, M.D. request to perform:

- *Corticosteroid injections to Shoulder Joint, Knee Joint, and Trochanteric Bursa*

On a motion made by Dr. Kuruppu 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

Erik Banh, PA-C/Braford David Winters, M.D., request to perform:

- *Arterial Line Insertion*
- *Central Line Insertion (Non-Tunneled)*

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

Benjamin M. Flowers, PA-C/ Kevin McCoy, M.D., request to perform:

- *Arthrocentesis/Joint Aspirations (Elbow, Shoulder, Hip, Knee, Tendon Sheath/Trigger Finger)*

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

Jennifer L. Forti, PA-C/ David N. Hager, M.D., request to perform;

- *Central VAD Placement (Adult: Above the diaphragm placement (jugular or subclavian); Adult: Below the diaphragm placement (femoral),*
- *Placement of non-tunneled, large-bore (>/-10 French) central venous catheter, for patients needing a high-flow catheter for hemodialysis, plasmapheresis, etc.*
- *Paracentesis,*
- *Lumbar Puncture,*
- *Point of Care Ultrasound for procedural guidance (Paracentesis; Vascular Line Placement (to be used in conjunction with Central VAD or Large Bore Catheter Insertion Privileges)*
- *Arterial Cannulation – Femoral Approach*
- *Arterial Cannulation – Radial Approach*

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.

Swetcha Lankapalli, PA-C/ Kathleen Marie Moe, M.D. request to perform:

- *Non-Malignant Skin Excisions*
- *Excision and Repair of Malignant Lesions*
- *Intralesional Kenalog Injections of Cysts and Keloids*
- *Punch Biopsies*

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 with the specification that “Non-Malignant Skin Excisions” and “Excisions and Repair of Malignant Lesions” be limited to 2.5 cm or less above the neck, as well as notification that “Punch Biopsies” is a core duty and does not require Board approval.

Natalie Rose Lukaszewski, PA-C/ Pantea Tamjidi M.D., request to perform:

- *Filler Injections*
- *Botox Injections for Masseter*
- *Kybella*
- *Botox Injections for Hyperhidrosis*
- *Venipuncture and PRP (Plasma Rich Protein) Injections for Alopecia*

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

Marda M. Mengesha, PA-C/Stephen M. Schenkel, M.D., request to perform:

- *Limited Ultrasound: Early Pregnancy Diagnosis – Establish the presence or absence of a viable intrauterine pregnancy*

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

WALK-INS

Avery V. Cross, PA-C/Janak A. Vidyarthi, M.D., request to perform:

- *Knee Injection*
- *Subacromial Bursa*

On a motion made by Dr. Roca and seconded by Dr. Kuruppu, the Committee unanimously voted to table its recommendation to the Board for approval of this addendum, pending its receipt and review of the following:

1. A written statement from Dr. Vidyarthi specifying the procedure Ms. Cross will perform on the Subacromial Bursa.
2. Revised procedure logs clarifying the procedure performed on the Subacromial Bursa.

Brett Andrew Getlan, PA-C/Brian Shiu, M.D., request to perform;

- *Arthrocentesis/Joint Injection*

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

Randall A. Stoup, PA-C/Michael A. Levitas, M.D., request to perform;

- *Newborn Circumcision*

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

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Dunn and seconded by Dr. Rocca, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 4:23 p.m.

Submitted by:

Signature on File
Rhonda Deanes – Lead PA Analyst