

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

**WEDNESDAY, February 6, 2013
ROOM 108 & 109, Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215**

PRESENT: Mark Dills, PA-C, Chairman, Chimene Liburd, M.D., Ahmed Nawaz, M.D., Anthony Raneri, M.D., Brenda Baker, Consumer Member, Matthias Goldstein, PA-C, Gigi Leon, PA-C

STAFF PRESENT: Ellen Douglas Smith, Manager, Allied Health and Licensure, David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel, Felicia Jackson, Administrative Officer, Matisa Jones, Board Staff, Ronald Sherrill, Board Staff

GUESTS: Dr. John Loome, SVP, Medical Affairs, Genesis Health Care, Gina Ritter, BSN, CRNP, Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant Program, Genesis Health Care

CALL TO ORDER:

Mark Dills, PA-C, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Felicia Jackson called the Committee's attention to the fact that the date on the minutes needed to be corrected from January 2, 2012 to January 2, 2013. On a motion made by Dr. Raneri and seconded by Ms. Leon, the minutes from the January 2, 2013 meeting were approved with noted correction.

POLICY

**HB 218 – Physician Assistants – Performance of X-Ray Duties (Mini C-Arm Discussion)
SB 460 – Physician Assistants Authority to Practice**

Robin Bailey, Public Policy Analyst informed the Committee that the House Bill 218, Mini C-Arm Bill, is back again. She stated that the Board put in the same two amendments that it put in last year, which were to have the program approved by the Board and referring to the Mini C-Arm as a Non-Fluoroscopic X-Ray machine. She stated that the Committee had some difficulties accepting the amendments since the bill had already passed in the 2012 legislative session, but got hung up in the Senate Rules Committee because bill deadline for crossover had already transpired. She stated that she wasn't sure how the Board will go with the amendments moving forward. However, it is a possibility that the Bill will probably go forward as it was in its original format without the Board's amendments last year.

Ms. Bailey also discussed SB 460, Health Occupations Physician Assistants Authority to Practice. This bill basically adds physician assistants to a list of practitioners who are able to do a number of things that physicians do now such as signing death certificates, signing medical orders for life sustaining treatment, and a number of things that they cannot do now. The one problem that has been brought to MAPA's attention is that this bill allows a physician assistant to do a psychological evaluation for an involuntary commitment for a patient. MedChi has a problem with that section of the bill, which MAPA is willing to amend out. This has not yet been brought before the Board for review and discussion.

BOARD COUNSEL – David Wagner, Esq.

Nothing to Report

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Dills introduced and welcomed the newest members of the Allied Health Unit, Ms. Matisia Jones and Mr. Ronald Sherrill.

Power point presentation by Dr. John Loomer, SVP, Medical Affairs, Genesis Health Care and Gina Ritter, BSN, CRNP, Nurse Practitioner/Physician Assistant Program, Genesis Health Care, concerning questions about the roles and responsibilities of the Primary Supervising Physicians/Designated Alternate Supervising Physicians.

Dr. John Loomer and Ms. Gina Ritter, CRNP, of Genesis Physician Services (GPS), Genesis HealthCare, explained to the Committee that the GPS care model is a MD/NP or PA team, caring for their patients together and had questions as to whether or not the Committee felt that the skilled nursing facility setting is an appropriate setting for the physician assistant to practice within. They indicated that they requested to meet with the Committee so that they could gain a better understanding of the Board's policies with regards to delegation agreements so that they can properly comply with them.

The Committee conveyed that it felt that the skilled nursing facility setting is an appropriate setting for the physician assistant to practice within, but emphasized that the following specifics must be in place:

- There must be one Primary Supervising Physician (the Medical Director) and that the rest of the physicians must sign as Designated Alternate Supervising Physicians.
- There must always be a physician on call/available for consult/assistance.
- Internal policies that outline communication procedures between the MD and PA.

David Wagner, Counsel to the Board, indicated that GPS, Genesis HealthCare, falls under the definition of a "Hospital," as is defined under Health Occ. §15-101(1)(2)(i).

Addendums

Kelly Balestra, PA-C/Roberta Palestine, M.D. request to perform:

- *Thermage CPT Radio Frequency for skin tightening*

Danielle Drezek, PA-C/Roberta Palestine, M.D. request to perform:

- *Dermapen procedure to improve skin's texture and appearance*

Philip Reasbeck, PA-C/Kerrick Roberts, M.D. request to perform:

- *Removal of Lesions*

Jaymie Schwarting, PA-C/Francis Pisciotta, M.D. request to perform:

- *Joint Injections for shoulder, sacroiliac and knee*

Irene Van Gaalen, PA-C/Bernard Chang, M.D. request to perform:

- *Tattooing*

Robyn Zicker, PA-C/Brian Mulliken, M.D. request to perform:

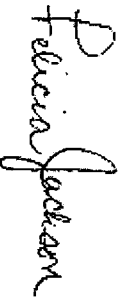
- *Intra joint injections/aspirations*

On a motion made by Mr. Dills and seconded by Ms. Leon, the Committee unanimously voted to approve all of the above addendums with the following recommendation as it relates to *Philip Reasbeck, PA-C/Kerrick Roberts, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Removal of Lesions*
- *Approved, with the recommendation that, with the exception of milia and skin tags, all lesions must be seen by the physician prior to removal or sent for pathological evaluation following removal.*

On a motion made by Mr. Dills and seconded by Dr. Raneri, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Submitted by:



Felicia Jackson
Administrative Officer

Physician	License	Physician Assistant	Certificate
Meadows, Dean William	D0063305	Angle, Emily Nichole	C0005005
Lenowitz, Steven Z.	D0029032	Ayers, Jean Frenkil	C0004998
Gurfinchel, Gregory	D0028326	Bartuss, Jason Robert	C0003224
Flowers, John L.	D0040524	Bonsu, Ernest	C0004941
Goldwater, D. Ronald	D0055618	Bonsu, Ernest	C0004941
Schwartz, Steven Jon	D0053850	Brooks, Melissa Catherine	C0004982
Figaro, Kelson Michael	D0052865	Browne-Avery, Janet A.	C0001426
Tanner, William	D0035206	Browne-Avery, Janet A.	C0001426
Akpan, Margaret	D0031528	Browne-Avery, Janet A.	C0001426
Gaibi, Tanveer	D0062650	Butler, Allison Michele	C0004984
Cattaneo II, Stephen M.	D0055731	Calaf, Andrea Jane	C0004831
Cotelingam, Grace Monica Tara	D0064799	Callahan, Heidi E. C.	C0001701
Gregg, Peter Christopher	D0070580	Castner, Suzanne Farhang	C0004999
Tucker, Jeremy David	H0063519	Cheeseman, Jennifer L.	C0003203
Itzkowitz, Scott Louis	H0064321	Copsey, Helen Christina	C0004993
Rocha, Domingo Alexander	D0036112	Dantew, Zurishwork Tafesse	C0005012
Smith, Joan	H0048286	Davis, Terri L.	C0002070
Matthews, Leslie S.	D0019606	Dean, Garrett Benjamin	C0004174
Ferraro, Richard James	D0066864	Desai, Rita	C0004311
Chevalier, Denise A	D0033391	Ebonine, Linda Uwanaka	C0004463
Walker, David Thomas	D0033796	Emnis Jr, William Scott	C0005019
Panzarella, Philip Frank	D0036643	Fori, Candice Yaa	C0003305
Hatoun, Ayad Hassan	D0037452	Foster, Jean M.	C0002959
Jackson, Prudence Faith	D0037659	Gandee, Carol A.	C0001597
Anders, Alec Michael	D0048200	Griffith, Janine E.	C0004110
Finelli, Frederick Christophe	D0039123	Hall, Anne Verner	C0005022
Colgan, Diane L	D0008971	Hernandez Jr, David	C0004033
Antonides, Spiro Basil	D0047688	Holloway, Erin Boyce	C0004889
Moghadam, Farnak Etemad	D0053640	Howard, Eleanor Brenda	C0004731
Schwartz, Steven Jon	D0053850	Jankowiak, Scott	C0004102
Kandil, Aser	D0074281	Jennings, Meredith Lee	C0004985
Quilo, Lino A.	D0022592	Johnson, Kelvin T.	C0001098
Pokrywka, Gregory S.	D0032939	Kashif, Fahim N.	C0003457
Reddy, Tarak Chandramohan	D0069090	LaMattina, Megan Elizabeth	C0004424
Capstack, Timothy Michael	D0066753	LaMattina, Megan Elizabeth	C0004424
Rhodes Jr., Donald Richard	D0054701	Lawgaw, Tamiru Dubale	C0004732
Aldrich, Enslin Francois	D0043980	Li, Shiau rung	C0003487
Sani, Shahram Norouzi	D0062473	Magassouba, Moriba	C0003821
Warner, Michael Rebert	D0057082	Mallalieu, Jessie E.	C0002972
Cattaneo II, Stephen M.	D0055731	Nelson, Devin Marie	C0004885
Eden, Robert S.	D0030701	Ochs, Suzanne Ogilvy	C0001609
Reid, Maurice Nathaniel	D0058088	Olasimbo, Yewande Adebisi	C0004996
Linder, Jeanette A. F.	D0040703	Parks, Suki L.	C0002105
Pansuriya, Maganbhai M.	D0051705	Patel, Rushita M.	C0004987
Arora, Shobhit	D0054675	Patounas, Eleni Konstantinos	C0004910
Widra, Eric A.	D0047246	Perman, Shana Michelle	C0004526
Cattaneo II, Stephen M.	D0055731	Piazza, Kristen Marie	C0004839
Gaibi, Tanveer	D0062650	Pope, Christine Lee	C0004990
Friedman, Neil Barry	D0038034	Ports, Elaine	C0003427
Rocha, Domingo Alexander	D0036112	Reedy, Karen J.	C0001458
Stern, Howard Gene	D0074645	Reichmann, Uwe	C0001922
Ragland, Phillip Sherman	D0068492	Reichmann, Uwe	C0001922
Dunn, Jonathan Henry	D0063392	Reichmann, Uwe	C0001922

Physician	License	Physician Assistant	Certificate
Misoul, Constantine A.	D0033522	Reichmann, Uwe	C0001922
Panzarella, Philip Frank	D0036643	Russell, Juliet Constance	C0004012
Horton, Rhelda M.	D0042027	Russell, Rikkita L.	C0004194
Ginsberg, Ronald L.	D0014133	Sauthoff, Sarah Jeanne	C0005000
Malik, Mohammad	D0026235	Schechter, Daniel J.	C0001384
Scruggs, Kevin Henry	D0038543	Schrock, Jessica	C0005001
Ambinder, Richard F.	D0023887	Scott-Bey, Ebony	C0003712
Ehsani-Shishvan, Hamid	D0065701	Scruggs, Brooke Danielle	C0005011
Sadhasivam, Sithanandam	D0029518	Shadzeka, Noella Yefon	C0004491
Aram, Anthony Ngyuen	D0051772	Shon, Julia Lee	C0005002
Galetto, Giorgio	D0039221	Smith, Valerie Kathryn	C0005024
Johnsen, Luke Elhanan	H0063003	Solano Padilla, Rocio Del Pilar	C0004995
Iswara, Narasimham Venkata	D0063150	Spooner, Deborah Anne	C0001199
Zanfirov, Zvezdomir Petkov	D0064806	Sullivan, Steven W.	C0003015
Gamma, Brett Allen	D0051980	Talji, Gelhard	C0004620
Adadevoh, Ernest Kwame	D0055135	Tatone, Kelsey Hanks	C0005030
Parkinson, Sandra Jennifer	D0035884	Thomas, Abraham Thekkanattu	C0004293
Katlic, Mark Richard	D0072906	Van Horn, Alycia Summer	C0002987
Cerrato, Rebecca Amy	D0066286	Weeks, Michael Thomas	C0004023
Sani, Shahram Norouzi	D0062473	Went, Christine	C0004109
Spotts, Phillip Hunter	D0053806	Wrona, Kathleen	C0004083
Albrecht III, Charles Robert	D0061227	Xu, Xueying	C0005004
Cattaneo II, Stephen M.	D0055731	Young, Michele Lynn	C0004860