MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OPEN MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October 2, 2013
ROOM 108 & 109, Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215

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

STAFF PRESENT: Ellen Douglas Smith, Acting Deputy Director, Felicia Jackson, Allied Health Analyst, Ronald Sherrill, Allied Health Analyst, Wynee E. Hawk, R.N. J.D., Policy & Legislation

ABSENT: Ahmed Nawaz, M.D., David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel

CALL TO ORDER:
Mark Dills, PA-C, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
On a motion made by Dr. Raneri and seconded by Ms. Baker, the minutes from the September 4, 2013 meeting were unanimously approved.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Wynee E. Hawk, R.N., J.D., Policy & Legislation

Ms. Hawk and the Committee discussed the education components for the coursework required for Physician Assistants to operate a Mini C-Arm. Along with Dr. Graw’s proposed course, the Committee developed a list of additional considerations that the Committee feels should be included in the training curriculum for Physicians Assistants to operate the Mini C-Arm. She indicated that the next step is to develop draft regulations inclusive of the specified education components.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT
Nothing to Report.

NEW BUSINESS

ADDENDUMS

Christine M. Brown, PA-C/Charles W. Davis, II, M.D., request to perform:
Intraarticular Joint Aspirations and Injections
Trigger Point Injections
Tendon Injections

James R. Bufkin, PA-C/Kaiser A. Ahmad, M.D. request to perform:

- Central Lines
- A-Lines
- Dialysis Catheters

Jonathan Chiang, PA-C/Robert Liddell, M.D. request to perform:

- Placement of direct and tunneled central catheters without subcutaneous port

Jonathan Chiang, PA-C/Robert Liddell, M.D. request to perform:

- Thoracentesis
- Paracentesis

Heather Day, PA-C/Paul W. Davies, M.D., request to perform:

- Trigger Point Injections
- Joint Injections

Amy Gawler, PA-C/Roberta Palestine, M.D. request to perform:

- Exilis For Skin Tightening & localized Fat Reduction w/Radio Frequency

Jamie Gera, PA-C/Tom Ghobrial, M.D. request to perform:

- Joint Injections

Jennifer Grover, PA-C/James MacDonald, M.D. request to perform:

- Intra-articular steroid injections
- Hyaluronate intra-articular joint injections

Donald J. McCord, PA-C/Mark L. Lessne, M.D. request to perform:

- Central Venous Catheter Insertions
- Insertion Hemodialysis Catheters
- Mediport Placement
- Placement Subcuticular Infusion Ports
Melissa Palm, PA-C/Ronald Shore, M.D. request to perform:

- Dermal Fillers (Juvederm Ultra & Ultra Plus XC)

Thomas Tax, PA-C/Lee Schwab, M.D. request to perform:

- Joint Injections
- Joint Aspirations
- Closed Reduction of Dislocations
- Closed Reduction of Fractures
- Myofascial Injections/Trigger Point Injections

On a motion made by Dr. Raneri and seconded by Ms. Baker, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend approval of the addendums to the Board.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Inquiry from Irene van Gaalen, PA-C, requesting the Committee’s decision as to whether or not the Board’s approval for her to perform “Tattooing” is limited to micropigmentation of the nipple areolar complex or does it include additional areas of micropigmentation such as eyebrow, eyeliner, and lips?

The Committee reviewed this inquiry and ruled that the Board’s approval for Ms. van Gaalen to perform “Tattooing” was limited to micropigmentation of the nipple areolar complex and instructed staff to inform her that if Dr. Chang wishes to delegate “Tattooing – micropigmentation of additional areas, such as eyebrow, eyeliner, and lips, he must submit the following to the Board for review:

- A completed delegation agreement addendum for advanced duties.
- A description of the education and training Ms. van Gaalen received to perform the tattooing – micropigmentation of the eyebrow, eyeliner lips, and any additional areas.
- A procedure log indicating the name of the procedure, number of procedures, the date the procedures were performed, the name of the PA performing the procedures and the signature of the supervising physician.

Request from the Board with regards to Shana Perman, PA-C/Eric Widra, M.D.’s request to perform:

- Saline Sonograms/Mock Embryo Transfers
- Ultrasound & Follicular Studies
- Intrauterine Inseminations (IUIs)
The Committee discussed the Board’s request for a cover memo specifying the process the Committee used to evaluate Ms. Perman and Dr. Widra’s advanced procedures request due to the fact that this is the first time the Board has received a request for approval for a PA to perform the requested procedures. The Committee indicated that the requested memo will be forwarded to the Board via staff once it has been drafted and approved by the full Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Baker and seconded by Dr. Raneri, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Felicia Jackson
Administrative Officer