

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**  
**Physician Assistant Advisory Committee**  
**4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215**  
**Wednesday, April 1, 2020**  
**MBP Board Room, Room 100**

**OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT VIA**  
**CONFERENCE**  
**CALL:**

Natalie Orbach, PA-C, Chair, Robert Roca, M.D., William W. Ashley, M.D., FAANS, Timothy Capstack, M.D., FACP, George Sobieralski, PA-C

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Christine Farrelly, Executive Director, Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel, Wynnee Hawk, Manager, Policy & Legislation, Rhonda Deanes, Allied Health Analyst, James Scott, Allied Health Associate, Margaret Jury, Allied Health Analyst Associate

**ABSENT:**

Jennifer Norris, PA-C, Benita Wilson, Consumer Member, Princess Sando, Allied Health Analyst Associate

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was noted that the Open Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2020 will be distributed at the May 6, 2020 meeting.

**LEGISLATION / REGULATIONS / POLICY UPDATES**

Ms. Hawk provided an overview of the 2020 legislative session on legislation that impacted the Board.

**BOARD COUNSEL REPORT**

Mr. Finkler summarized the relevant Executive Orders and the Board's waivers during the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

**COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT**

Nothing to report

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Addendums for Advanced Duties**

*Virginia Bialick, PA-C/Umasuthan Srikumaran, M.D. request to perform:*

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

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

*Amy L. Curran, PA-C/Hyon K. Schneider, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Sacroiliac Joint Injections*

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

*Katherine D. Lyons, PA-C/George H. Drakes, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Intra-Articular Knee Injections (with ultrasound guidance)*
- *Trigger Point Injections (with ultrasound guidance)*

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

*Nelia A. Sarmiento, PA-C/Nithin Krishna, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Advanced Psychopharmacologic Treatment*
- *Conduct Diagnostic Assessments, Psychopharmacologic Interventions and Behavioral Interventions*
- *Evaluation and Basic Pharmacologic Treatment of Patients with Psychiatric Disorder in Psychiatric Setting*
- *Behavioral Therapy of Psychiatric Disorders*
- *Psychotherapy*

On a motion made by Dr. Roca and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the Board approve all of the requested procedures under the following 2 advanced duties:

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

*Penny J. Smith Baker, PA-C/John L. Flowers, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Arterial Line Placement/Insertion*

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

*Irene V. Tyburski, PA-C/Todd M. Melegari M.D. request to perform:*

- *Intra-Articular Knee Injections (without ultrasound guidance)*

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

## WALK-INS

*Sandra A. Kpodo, PA-C/Dina El-Metwally, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Central Line Insertions*
- *Endotracheal Intubation*

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

*Vijay P. Soprey, PA-C/Nauman Tariq, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Onabotulinumtoxin A (Botox) Injections – Medical*
- *Trigeminal Nerve Block Injections*
- *Occipital Nerve Block Injections*

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

*Jennifer W. Aponte, PA-C/Maria Mainolfi-Palarata, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Botox Injections*
- *Dermal Filler Injection*

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

*Meghan D. Landymore, PA-C/Maria Mainolfi-Palarata, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Botox Injections*
- *Dermal Filler Injection*

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

*Chrystal M. Pilgrim, PA-C/Brandon Bruns, M.D. request to perform:*

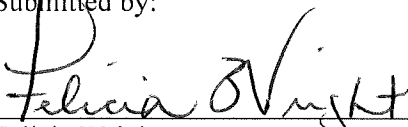
- *ICP (Intracranial Pressure) Monitor Placement*

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.

## ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 5:08 p.m.

Submitted by:

  
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Felicia Wright  
Allied Health Supervisor