

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**  
**Physician Assistant Advisory Committee**  
**4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215**  
**Wednesday, February 7, 2018**  
**MBP Board Room, Room 100**

**OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Anthony Raneri, M.D., Chair, Thomas Walsh, M.D., Jennifer Norris, PA-C, Natalie Orbach, PA-C, George Sobieralski, PA-C, Brenda Baker, Consumer Member, Lee Schwab, M.D. (via Conference Call)

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ellen Douglas-Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, Cecilia Laurent, Allied Health Analyst, Michelle Harrison, Allied Health Analyst, Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Allied Health Analyst, Rhonda Deanes, Licensure Analyst Associate, Cheryl Green, Licensure Analyst Associate, Mark Woodard, J.D., Health Policy Analyst, David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Raneri called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion made by Ms. Orbach and seconded by Ms. Norris, the Committee approved the January 3, 2018 Open Meeting Minutes. Dr. Schwab abstained from the vote due to his absence.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Mark Woodard, Health Policy Analyst**

Mark Woodard summarized HB 591/SB549 Health Occupations-Physician Assistants-Dispensing of Drugs Under a Delegation Agreement to the Physician Assistant Advisory Committee (PAAC).

The House bill authorizes the physician assistant to prepare and dispense a drug that may be prescribed under a delegation agreement, if the physician assistant dispenses drugs only within the supervising physician's scope of practice and the scope of the delegation agreement. The bill does not require the physician assistant to apply for and receive a dispensing permit.

Mr. Woodard noted that SB 549 does not have that same authorization despite being noted as cross-filed bills. Mr. Woodard contacted the sponsors of both bills and their staff confirmed that the bills are supposed to be the same and be cross files of each other.

He noted further that the bills do not amend another section of the law that provides for physicians and others to apply for a dispensing permit, nor does it indicate who is to report on the dispensing of drugs to the PDMP database or address the PA's alternative supervising physician.

**BOARD COUNSEL REPORT – David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel**

Nothing to report

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*Robin Thomas, PA-C/Marc Siegelbaum, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Cystoscopy (Flexible)*

On a motion made by Dr. Walsh and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board for the purpose of assisting with the placement of urinary catheters.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Addendums**

*Jodi Arreguin, PA-C/Tom Ghobrial, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Joint Injections – knee, shoulder, hip*
- *Joint Aspirations – knee, shoulder, hip*

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

*Amy Engler, PA-C/Michael Del Torto, M.D. request to perform;*

- *IPL laser treatments for laser hair removal, vascular and pigment removal*
- *Non-ablative laser for skin treatments such as wrinkles and scar treatment*

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

*Mary Masterson, PA-C/Giorgio Galetto, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Vascular Ultrasound*

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

*Urvi Patel, PA-C/Imran Siddiqi, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Central Line Insertions – Internal jugular, subclavian, femoral*
- *Arterial Line Insertions – radial and femoral*

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

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*Josef Rivero, PA-C/Richard Childs, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Lumbar Punctures*
- *Bone marrow aspirations*
- *Bone marrow biopsies*
- *Administration of conscious sedation*

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

*Tabitha Roach, PA-C/Christopher Galuardi, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Trigger point / myofascial pain injections*
- *Joint bursa aspirations / injections – Hip, shoulder*

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

*Amy Spangler, PA-C/Juris Germanas, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Botox Injections*

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

*Amy E. Waters, PA-C/Thomas Yu, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Gentle Yag laser for hair reduction*
- *GentleLase for hair reduction*
- *Light sheer duet laser hair removal*
- *Q-switched laser for tattoo removal and pigmented lesion removal*
- *Intense Pulse Light (IPL) for skin rejuvenation/elimination of redness and pigmentation*
- *Thermage CPT Radio Frequency for skin tightening*
- *Schlerotherapy injections for elimination of leg telangectasias (spider veins)*
- *VBeam Pulse Dye laser for treatment of pigmented and/or vascular lesions rosacea/telangectasias*
- *Dysport injectable toxin for reduction of facial wrinkles*
- *Exilis for skin tightening and localized fat reduction with radio frequency*

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

*Jennifer Whitman, PA-C/Paul McNeil, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Neurotoxin injections with Botox or Dysport*
- *Dermal Fillers for rejuvenation*

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

### **Walk-In Addendums**

*Luis da Conceicao, PA-C/Ronnie Benoit, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Thoracostomy – insertion of chest tubes*
- *Central venous line placement – insertion of femoral triple lumen central venous lines*

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Walsh, the Committee voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board. Dr. Schwab abstained from the vote due to his absence.

*Mary Masterson, PA-C/Peter Hill, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Lumbar puncture*
- *Intubation*
- *Paracentesis*
- *Arthrocentesis*
- *Central venous access device placement (above and below diaphragm)*
- *Ultrasound vascular line placement*
- *FAST (focused assessment with sonography in trauma)*

On a motion made by Ms. Orbach and seconded by Ms. Norris, the Committee voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board. Dr. Schwab abstained from the vote due to his absence.

*Carlos Molestina, PA-C/Ronnie Benoit, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Dislocations and/or fracture reduction of shoulder, humerus, forearm, wrist, hand and finger; hips femurs knee, lower leg (tibia and fibula), ankle, foot and toes*
- *Joint Aspirations (arthrocentesis)*
- *Steinman pin insertion and removal*
- *Application of traction, splints and casts*

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Walsh, the Committee voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board. Dr. Schwab abstained from the vote due to his absence.

### **APPROVAL OF CLOSED MINUTES**

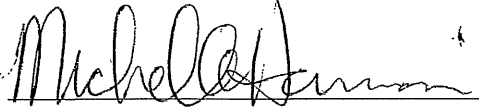
On a motion made by Ms. Orbach and seconded by Ms. Norris, the Committee approved the January 3, 2018 Closed Meeting Minutes.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Ms. Norris and seconded by Ms. Orbach, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 4:40p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Harrison", written over a horizontal line.

Michelle Harrison  
Allied Health Analyst