

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Radiation Therapy, Radiography, Nuclear Medicine Technology
And Radiologist Assistance Advisory Committee
Wednesday, January 15, 2020
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland Room 100**

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

- PRESENT:** Michael R. Vogel, BS, CNMT, RT(N), (CT), Chair, Lynn Harris-McCorkle, M.D, Philipose Mulugeta, M.D., Geoffrey Neuner, M.D., Ryan Carroll, R.T. (T), Jason K. Lee, RRA (RT)(R)(CT)), Theresa Lewis, Consumer Member,
- ABSENT:** Kamau Nkenge, RRA, RT(R) (CT), Mark Woodard, Health Policy Analyst
- STAFF PRESENT:** Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, Noreen Rubin, Board Counsel, Dierdra Rufus, Senior Licensure Analyst, Sandi Van Horn, Health Policy Analyst, Margaret Jury, Allied Health Analyst

CALL TO ORDER

Due to Mr. Vogel being delayed, Dr. Harris-McCorkle called the meeting to order at 4:13 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Dr. Neuner and seconded by Mr. Carroll, the Committee unanimously approved the November 20, 2019 Open and Closed Meeting minutes.

LEGISLATION, REGULATIONS, AND POLICY UPDATES

Review and Discussion of COMAR 10.32.10

Sandi Van Horn, Health Policy Analyst, informed the Committee that the changes to Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 10.32.10.02B and .10 went into effect December 30, 2019. She also informed them that the legislative session was underway.

Ms. Van Horn reviewed possible changes to COMAR 10.32.10 with the Committee and asked them to review the current regulations and bring suggested edits to the next meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review of Draft Radiologist Assistant Advanced Procedures Request Application

The Committee reviewed the draft Radiologist Assistant Advanced Procedures Request Application.

The following questions and answers were discussed:

- Q. How would an RRA go about completing the application if an RRA works with multiple radiologists?
- A. The RRA would have each radiologist complete and submit a Radiologist Assistant Advanced Procedures Request Application.
- Q. What is considered “an adequate number of cases” as is stated in COMAR 10.32.10.12?
- A. An adequate number of cases equal a minimum of ten documented cases.
- Q. What is the timeframe within which the Board will accept documentation of cases submitted to the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT)?
- A. The Board will accept documentation of cases submitted to the ARRT for registration as an RRA if the cases were performed within the 2-year period immediately preceding the date that the RRA submits the Advanced Procedures Application to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion: Implementation of Changes to COMAR 10.32.10.10

The changes to COMAR 10.32.10.10 that went into effect on December 30, 2019, no longer require nuclear medicine technologists to submit documentation to the Board of their training and receive an approval letter to operate the CT/Nuclear Medicine Device from the Board. The new regulations also allow a nuclear medicine technologist to operate a freestanding CT unit. Ms. Wright asked the Committee if the Board should require a nuclear medicine technologist to complete an “application” notifying the Board of the intent to operate a standalone CT or hybrid nuclear medicine/CT device for a diagnostic CT with or without intravenous contrast.

The Committee voted to require the nuclear medicine technologist to complete and submit a “Notification of Intent of A Nuclear Medicine Technologist to Operate A Standalone CT or Hybrid Nuclear Medicine/CT Device for a Diagnostic CT With or Without Intravenous Contrast form.

Mr. Vogel asked if it would be possible for the Board to put a question on the Nuclear Medicine Technologist’s renewal form asking if they have current ARRT or NMTCB CT certification. He

also asked if it would be possible for the Board to reflect their answer on their Maryland Practitioner Profile.

Financial Disclosure/Termination of Disclosure Statement Requirements for all Allied Health Committee Members

Ms. Wright reminded all committee members that their Financial Disclosure Statements for the previous calendar year must be completed and submitted by April 30, 2020. She also reminded them that all committee members are required to complete and submit a Termination Disclosure Statement at the end of their term.

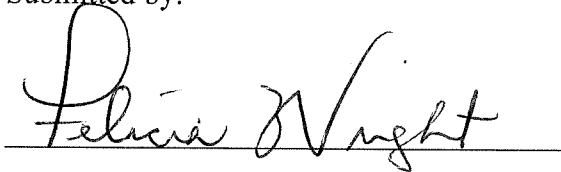
RCIS Question

Mr. Vogel stated that he has been receiving questions regarding what duties an RCIS is able to perform and asked if the RCIS regulations are in effect. Ms. Van Horn informed him that the RCIS regulations are not in effect.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Vogel adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Felicia Wright". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Felicia Wright
Allied Health Supervisor