

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS  
BOARD  
OPEN MEETING MINUTES  
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD  
Room 100  
July 11, 2018**

The Maryland Board of Physicians (the Board) met Wednesday, July 11, 2018 with the following members present:

**Present in Board Room (Panel A)**

Arun Bhandari, M.D., Chair  
Matthew J. Allaway, D.O.  
Marie-Alberte Boursiquot, M.D.  
Lisa Burgess, M.D.  
Jon S. Frank, Consumer Member  
Dalila Harvey-Granger, M.D.  
Alvin L. Helfenbein, Jr., Consumer Member  
Ira Kornbluth, M.D.  
Kevin Pereira, M.D.  
Robert P. Roca, M.D.  
Sheila M. Smith, Consumer Member

**Present via Conference Call (Panel B)**

Damean W.E. Freas, D.O., Board Chair  
Edward J. Brody, Consumer Member  
Mark S. Dills, PA-C  
Mark D. Olszyk, M.D.  
Ann Marie Stephenson, D.O., MBA  
Scott J. Wiesenberger, M.D.  
Camille M. Williams, M.D.

**ABSENT:** Beryl J. Rosenstein, M.D.; Martha Schaerr, Consumer Member; Maxine E. Turnipseed, Consumer Member; Thomas M. Walsh, M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Christine Farrelly, Executive Director; Stacey Darin, Assistant Attorney General; David Finkler, Assistant Attorney General; Noreen Rubin, Assistant Attorney General; David Wagner, Assistant Attorney General; Elaina Michewicz, Law Student, Attorney General's Office; Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Lead PA Analyst; Alexandra Fota, Compliance Analyst Associate; Angela Gaither, Management Associate; Doreen Noppinger, Compliance Manager; Colette Satterfield, DCCR Administrative Support; Marty Teramani, Network Supervisor; Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor

**GUEST:** Kim Lang, Director, Health Occupation Boards and Commissions

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Bhandari, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

January 3, 2018

*On a motion made by Mr. Helfenbein, and seconded by Dr. Pereira, the Board voted unanimously to **APPROVE** the January 3, 2018 Full Board open meeting minutes.*

### **Board Counsel Report**

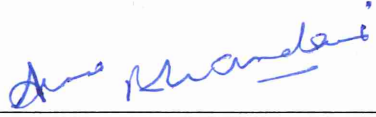
Board counsel addressed a decision the Board made at its June 27, 2018 meeting, to modify an advanced duty request from Benjamin Farkas, PA-C, and Jennifer Cooper, M.D., who requested approval for the delegation of excision and intermediate repairs of malignant skin lesions. Board counsel sought clarification from the Board on the maximum size of excisions above the neck and the rationale for the modification. The Board clarified that excisions above the neck could be no more than 2.5 cm due to the high complexity and risks involved in performing excisions above the neck greater than 2.5 cm, which would require specialized training and skill not evident in the application.

### **Executive Director's Update**

FYI: The Office of Preparedness and Response asked the Board for physician emails so they could inform them about the Health Alert Network. Board Counsel and staff stated that physician emails are confidential and therefore, could not be shared. However, a link to the Health Alert Network was placed on the renewal receipts informing physicians where they may register.

**ADJOURNMENT (The Board will adjourn to exercise its quasi-judicial and administrative functions.)**

Submitted by,

  
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Arun Bhandari, M.D.                      1/30/2019                      Date  
Chair, Panel A