

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
BOARD
OPEN MEETING MINUTES
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD
Room 100
July 28, 2021**

The Maryland Board of Physicians (the Board) met Wednesday, July 28, 2021 with the following members present **via conference call**:

Panel B

Damean W.E. Freas, D.O., Board Chair
Scott Berkowitz, M.D.
Natalie Orbach, PA-C
Victor M. Plavner, M.D.
Carol E. Ritter, M.D.
Scott R. Sauvageot, Consumer Member
Martha Schaerr, Consumer Member
Richard T. Scholz, M.D.
Maxine E. Turnipseed, Consumer Member
Matthew T. Wallace, M.D.
Scott J. Wiesenberger, M.D.

Panel A

Mark D. Olszyk, M.D.
Mark D. Baganz, M.D.
Marie-Alberte Boursiquot, M.D.
Lisa Burgess, M.D.
Jon S. Frank, Consumer Member
Alvin L. Helfenbein, Jr., Consumer Member
Ira Kornbluth, M.D.
Chika Logie, M.D.
Kevin Pereira, M.D.
Louise Phipps Senft, Consumer Member

ABSENT: Ifeyinwa A. Stitt, M.D.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL STAFF PRESENT: Noreen Rubin, Assistant Attorney General

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL STAFF PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE CALL:

Stacey Darin, Assistant Attorney General; David Finkler, Assistant Attorney General; Erica Patterson, Law Clerk, Office of Attorney General; David Wagner, Assistant Attorney General

STAFF PRESENT: Christine Farrelly, Executive Director; Doreen Noppinger, Compliance Manager; Angela Gaither, Management Associate; Chris Triplett, IT Manager; Zach Spivey, Compliance Analyst; Brittany Winborne, Compliance Analyst Associate

STAFF PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Matthew Dudzic, Health Policy Analyst; Mabanease Henderson, License Analyst; Sandi Van Horn, Health Policy Analyst; Linda Monroe, Allied Health Analyst; Nicole Thompson, Licensure Supervisor; Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor

GUEST PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Jennifer Norris, Chair, Physician Assistant Advisory Committee (PAAC)

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Freas, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

HOUSEKEEPING RULES - FYI for Board members

NEW BUSINESS

Physician Assistants Delegation Agreement Addendum for Advanced Duties

The Physician Assistant Advisory Committee (PAAC) determined that the following physician assistants meet the criteria for advanced duties established in statute and regulations, and voted to recommend approval of the addendum to the Board.

First Time Procedures RECOMMENDED for APPROVAL:

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure(s)	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Kelli J. Cutsail, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	4/28/21
Erin L. Dougherty, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Central Venous Sheath Insertion 2. Cardioversion (emergent)	Hospital	3/24/21
Alicia R. Edelblute, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Axillary) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion 3. Cardioversion (emergent)	Hospital	1/27/21
Lisa M. Gahagen, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	1/27/21
Tanis E. Guerin, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	6/23/21
Christine M. Koenigbauer, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	4/28/21
Chelsea E. Manes, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion (s)	Hospital	4/28/21

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Kelsey L. McCormick, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	3/24/21
Bethany A. Melo, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	1/27/21
Braden Jerome Schroeder, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	2/24/21
Dennis R. Shaw, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Axillary) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion 3. Cardioversion (emergent)	Hospital	1/27/21
Augustus M. Sutura, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Central Venous Sheath Insertion 2. Cardioversion (emergent)	Hospital	1/27/21
Jennifer A. Tallis, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Axillary) 2. Cardioversion (emergent) 3. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	4/28/21
Lauren M. Tavani, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Axillary) 2. Cardioversion (emergent)	Hospital	3/24/21
Trevor E. Thomas, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	1/27/21
Lindsey M. Weldon, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Cardioversion (emergent) 2. Central Venous Sheath Insertion	Hospital	3/24/21

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure(s)	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Kristen Nicole Williams, PA-C	Waheed S. Baksh, M.D.	1. Pain Pump Refills	Private Practice/ Other	7/15/20

Previously Board Approved Procedures RECOMMENDED for APPROVAL:

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure(s)	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Kelli J. Cutsail, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 2. Paracentesis 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral)	Hospital	4/28/21
Erin L. Dougherty, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 2. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 3. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral)	Hospital	3/24/21
Alicia R. Edelblute, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral, Brachial) 2. Central Line Placement (Subclavian, Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	1/27/21
Lisa M. Gahagen, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral, Brachial) 2. Central Line Placement (Subclavian, Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	1/27/21

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure(s)	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Tanis E. Guerin, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 2. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	6/23/21
Christine M. Koenigbauer, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 2. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	4/28/21
Chelsea E. Manes, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral) 2. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	4/28/21
Kelsey L. McCormick, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial) 2. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular)	Hospital	3/24/21
Bethany A. Melo, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial) 2. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	1/27/21
Braden Jerome Schroeder, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial) 2. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular) 3. Paracentesis	Hospital	2/24/21

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure(s)	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Dennis R, Shaw, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral, Brachial) 2. Central Line Placement (Subclavian, Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	1/27/21
Augustus M. Sutera, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral) 2. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 3. Paracentesis 4. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion	Hospital	1/27/21
Jennifer A. Tallis, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral, Brachial) 2. Central Line Placement (Subclavian, Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis 5. Lumbar Puncture 6. Thoracentesis	Hospital	4/28/21
Lauren M. Tavani, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Subclavian, Femoral) 2. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral, Brachial) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	3/24/21
Trevor E. Thomas, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Arterial Line Placement (Radial) 2. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	1/27/21

Physician Assistant	Supervising Physician	Requested Procedure(s)	Practice Setting	Date of Approval of Core Duties DA
Morgan Kimberly Tuomey, PA-C	Morgan Jane Katz, M.D.	1. Botox Injections	Private Practice/ Other	6/23/21
Lindsey M. Weldon, PA-C	Naveed Hasan, M.D.	1. Central Line Placement (Internal Jugular, Femoral) 2. Arterial Line Placement (Radial, Femoral) 3. Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion 4. Paracentesis	Hospital	3/24/21
Kristen Nicole Williams, PA-C	Waheed S. Baksh, M.D.	1. Joint Injections (Hip, Knee, Sacroiliac, Shoulder, Wrist) 2. Greater Trochanteric Bursa Injections 3. Trigger Point Injections	Private Practice/ Other	7/15/20

*On a motion made by Dr. Wiesenberger, and seconded by Dr. Scholz, the Board voted to unanimously **APPROVE** all addendum requests to perform the aforementioned advanced duties.*

Athletic Trainers Evaluation and Treatment Protocols for Approval

The Athletic Trainers Advisory Committee reviewed the Evaluation and Treatment Protocols, determined that the athletic trainers meet the criteria established in statute, and voted to recommend approval to the Board.

Athletic Trainer	License Number	Supervising Physician	License Number
Keri Carmack, ATC	A0001384	Robert Waltz, M.D.	D0081136
Camden Cook, ATC	A0001390	Teri McCambridge, M.D.	D0054909
Isaac Fields, ATC	A0001210	Alex Monseni, M.D.	D0070850
Tamara Hanggi, ATC	A0001168	Lucas Wymore, M.D.	D0078163
Ronajah Holmes, ATC	A0001391	George Aguiar, Jr., M.D.	D0078664
Ian McQuaid, ATC	A0001387	Jason Scopp, M.D.	D0059913
Rachel Robbins, ATC	A0001289	Richard Levine, M.D.	D0055411
Alicia Roth, ATC	A0001386	Todd Feathers, M.D.	D0079380
Kaitlyn Whipp, ATC	A0001388	Jason Scopp, M.D.	D0059913

*On a motion made by Dr. Pereira, and seconded by Dr. Scholz, the Board voted to unanimously **APPROVE** the aforementioned Athletic Trainers Evaluation and Treatment Protocols.*

ALLIED HEALTH COMMITTEES APPOINTMENTS FOR APPROVAL

Perfusion Advisory Committee (PAC)

- Junewai Lee Reoma, MD, FACS
- Karounka Keita, M.H.A., M.S., CCP-LP

*On a motion made by Mr. Sauvageot, and seconded by Dr. Pereira, the Board voted to unanimously **APPROVE** the appointments to the PAC.*

POLICY/LEGISLATION

Regulations

Updating COMAR 10.32.02.10 (Sanctioning Guidelines)

Board members considered a draft of changes for Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 10.32.02.10 (“Sanctioning Guidelines for Physicians”) for approval to move to the next steps in the promulgation process. A draft proposal was posted on the Board’s Website for two weeks to invite informal comments; the Board did not receive any comments. Among other things, the draft proposal includes the addition of new disciplinary grounds created under various legislation and the addition of certain sanctions and fines. During discussion about the draft, a one-word change (“and” to “or”) for language in a new paragraph (e) under COMAR 10.32.02.10B(3) was suggested.

*On a motion made by Mr. Dills, and seconded by Dr. Plavner, the Board voted to unanimously **APPROVE** the draft regulations with changes and permit Board staff to submit a finalized proposal to the Maryland Department of Health.*

Policy

Proposed Action on Regulations – Dental Hygienists and Board Ranking – Public Citizen (FYI)

Board staff presented both the above policy items for informational purposes.

Legislative Update

FYI: Report about Creating General Provisions in Statute

Board staff provided a copy of the report required by Section 5 of the 2020 Sunset legislation. The report to legislators outlines possible changes for the Board’s statutes to create general provisions in order to eliminate repetitive language among practitioners regulated by the Board.

Taskforce/Workgroup

Additional Recruitment for the Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council

Board members considered the resumes of candidates for the Naturopathic Doctors Formulary

Council (NDFC). The Board posted on its Website a recruitment notice seeking applicants for the pharmacist seat and one of the physician seats on the NDFC. In addition, the Board was to select a chair of the NDFC.

Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council (NDFC)

- Wanda Wicks, M.D.

*On a motion made by Dr. Plavner, and seconded by Mr. Helfenbein, the Board voted to **APPROVE** the physician seat to the NDFC. Dr. Burgess opposed and Dr. Freas abstained.*

Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council (NDFC)

- Matthew D. Balish, Pharm D, RPh., CDE
- Carrie A. Runde, N.D.

*On a motion made by Dr. Boursiquot, and seconded by Dr. Ritter, the Board voted to unanimously **APPROVE** the pharmacist and the chair seats to the NDFC.*

CHAIR /EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATES - Dr. Freas, introduced the new Board members Dr. Baganz and Ms. Orbach to the Board. He also advised the Board members that in person meetings will not resume on September 1, 2021, and meetings will continue virtually until further notice.

Ms. Farrelly provided the Executive Director's Report that included the following topics:

Interstate Physician Licensure Compact

- Four States recently joined bring the total to 35 member-States (LA, TX, DE, OH)
- Last FY – the Board had 729 transactions (LOQs, initial, renewals)
- From July 2019 to Present - 294 LOQ's have been issued and 473 licenses
- Compact made over \$10 million - MD share was \$331k
- Since April 2017, Compact has issued 21k licenses

Uniform Application

In March, the Board launched the Uniform Application. This is the first step toward online initial applications. This is an application that is accepted by more than 25 boards. So far, the Board has had 306 applications through the UA (and 143 licenses issued).

Benefits:

- Applicant rather than staff does the data entry
- Most use FCVS
- No refunds

Reciprocity

Ms. Farrelly has been having routine meetings with the EDs of Virginia and DC to work toward a reciprocal arrangement between us. This will hopefully be brought to the Board for consideration in August the near future.

Scams

Scams against practitioners are getting much more sophisticated. The Board has posted several warnings on its website, notified MedChi, and sent out an email to licensees. This is happening

across the country to all practitioners who have licenses.

Peer Review Costs

Some peer review cost information was shared with the Board. Ms. Farrelly reviewed the peer review process and discussed the prevalence of additional records being produced after a certification that the entire medical record has been signed and the peer reviews have been completed.

Any additional records have to be reviewed to determine if the opinions of the reviewers change. These “additional reviews” are costly and significantly delay cases. The reviewers not only get paid for another review, but they have 60 additional days to review the “additional” material.

Ms. Farrelly wanted to bring the cost to the Board’s attention. The Board’s consensus was that respondents should be charged the cost of reviewing additional records if they submit records after the peer review and after they have signed a certification that the entire medical record has been submitted to the Board.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **May 26, 2021 and June 23, 2021**

*On a motion made by Dr. Pereira, and seconded by Dr. Wallace, the Board voted to unanimously **APPROVE** the full Board and closed minutes.*

OTHER BUSINESS – FOR YOUR INFORMATION ONLY

- a. Physician Assistant Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2021
- b. Licensure of Practice of Medicine Committee Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2021
- c. Perfusion Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2020
- d. Physician Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists – June
- e. Physician Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists – July
- f. Physician Assistant Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists
- g. Physician Assistant Delegation Agreement List
- h. Respiratory Care Practitioners Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists
- i. Radiation Therapists, Radiographers, Radiologist Assistants and Nuclear Medicine Technologists, Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists
- j. Athletic Trainers Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists
- k. Perfusionist Licensure and Reinstatement Lists
- l. Polysomnographic Technologist Licensure and Reinstatement Lists
- m. Naturopathic Doctors Initial Licensure and Reinstatement Lists

VOTE TO CLOSE SESSION

CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Maryland General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(13), on a motion made by Dr. Wiesenberger, and seconded by Dr. Scholz, Panel B unanimously voted to close its meeting on July 28, 2021 at 10:19 a.m., in room 100, to comply with the statutory requirement under Health Occ. §1-401 that prevents public disclosure of medical review committee proceedings.

SUMMARY OF CLOSED SESSION:

The Panel consulted with counsel in its closed session pursuant to General Provisions §3-305(b)(13) to review confidential licensure and investigative application information.

CONVENE TO CLOSE

Submitted by,

Damean W. E. Freas, D.O.
Board Chair