

MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, November 1, 2017
MBP Board Room, Room 100

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Anthony Raneri, M.D., Chair, Lee Schwab, M.D., Thomas Walsh, M.D., Jennifer Norris, PA-C, George Sobieralski, PA-C, Brenda Baker, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT: 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, Wynee E. Hawk, R.N., J.D., Manager, Policy and Legislation
David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel

STAFF ABSENT: Natalie Orbach, PA-C

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Raneri called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Ms. Baker, the Committee approved the October 4, 2017 Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Wynee Hawk, RN, J.D., Policy/Legislation Manager

Ms. Hawk informed the Committee that the Board received a draft bill from the Maryland Association of Physician Assistants (MAPA) regarding physician assistant dispensing. There will be a meeting scheduled with MAPA to further discuss the issues, after which the information will be brought before the Committee.

Ms. Hawk also informed the Committee that the proposed telemedicine draft regulations are posted on the Board's website. During the 2017 Legislative Session, a bill was passed that required various Boards to develop regulations relating to teletherapy. The Board is trying to expand its telemedicine regulations as not to be too restrictive. Ms. Hawk is facilitating a stakeholders meeting to discuss telemedicine on Monday, November 13, 2017 at the Board from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. All Allied Health Committee Chairs or a designee have been invited and encouraged to attend.

Ms. Hawk also informed the Committee that the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (Compact) legislation will be reintroduced this session. The practice of telemedicine is the main argument that will be used to help promote the passing of the Compact.

Comments or suggestions may be forwarded to Ms. Hawk.

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

Nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS

The Committee reviewed a letter addressed to Dr. Raneri from the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) and the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA). The purpose of the letter was to ensure that nurse practitioners and physician assistants are able to prescribe buprenorphine for the treatment of addiction. The ASAM, AANP and AAPA are urging regulatory Boards to allow nurse practitioners and physician assistants who meet federal qualifications to prescribe buprenorphine for the treatment of opioid addiction.

The Committee, Wynee Hawk and David Wagner concluded that delegation agreements approved by the Board do not limit which drugs that a physician can delegate to a physician assistant to prescribe. It is at the discretion of the supervising physician to delegate prescriptive authority and they are not required to inform the Board the types of drugs that they will be prescribing. The Committee will contact Brad Bachman, ASAM's Manager of State Government Relations, to further discuss the issue.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Advanced Procedures List (Consolidation)

The Committee unanimously voted to table this agenda item until its next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Addendums

Kimberly Acton, PA-C/Sammy Kang, M.D. request to perform:

- *Chemical Vi-Peels*

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

Monica Chetelat, PA-C/James Vogel, M.D. request to perform;

- *Cosmetic Procedures-Including botox injections, cosmetic dermal filler injections*
- *Follicular unit extraction in conjunction with hair transplant procedures*

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

Jessica Day-Chrzsaszcz, PA-C/Kevin Kearney, M.D. request to perform:

- *Colposcopy with exocervical biopsy, endocervical biopsy or endocervical curettage*
- *LARC insertion and removal (IUD's and Nexplanons)*

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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Lauren Edelman, PA-C/Redmond Finney, Jr., M.D. request to perform:

- *Saphenous Vein harvesting (open and endoscopic)*

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Kerri Ellinger, PA-C/Kevin Kearney, M.D. request to perform:

- *Colposcopy with exocervical biopsy, endocervical biopsy or endocervical curettage*
- *LARC insertion and removal (IUD's and Nexplanons)*
- *Pessary fitting and care*

On a motion made by Dr. Walsh and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval (1) Colposcopy with exocervical biopsy, endocervical biopsy or endocervical curettage and (2) LARC insertion and removal (IUD's and Nexplanons) of this addendum to the Board. The Committee is requesting the removal of "Pessary fitting and care" as it is considered a Core Duty.

Benjamin Farkas, PA-C/Jennifer Cooper, M.D. request to perform:

- *Laser Hair Removal*

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.

Kristin Kaiser, PA-C/Ronald Shore, M.D. request to perform:

- *Laser Hair Reduction (LHR)*

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

Kristin Kaiser, PA-C/Ronald Shore, M.D. request to perform:

- *Laser tattoo removal*

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

Kristin Kaiser, PA-C/Ronald Shore, M.D. request to perform:

- *SculpSure*

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

Alexis Lewis, PA-C/Janak Vidyarthi, M.D. request to perform:

- *Knee Injection*

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

Jamie Stodd, PA-C/Roy Brower, M.D. request to perform:

- *Insertion of Hemodialysis Catheters*

On a motion made by Ms. Baker and seconded by Dr. Walsh, the Committee unanimously voted to table this addendum pending additional information. The Committee requests that the supervising physician and physician assistant present a procedure log documenting at least ten procedures that have been supervised by a physician or documentation that the PA has been granted hospital privileges.

Wendy Sullivan, PA-C/William Dowling, M.D. request to perform:

- *Flexible Cystoscopy*

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

Walk-In Addendums

Katherine Bortner, PA-C/David Kaczorowki, M.D. request to perform:

- *Saphenous Vein Harvesting*

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.

Kimberly Acton, PA-C/Sammy Kang, M.D. request to perform:

- *Excisions on malignant lesions confirmed by pathology, premalignant lesions, symptomatic benign lesions, excisional biopsy for diagnostics and therapeutic purposes*

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

Esther Olajide, PA-C/Matthew Katz, M.D. request to perform:

- *Narrow Band UVB Phototherapy*

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

Brandon Oto, PA-C/Imran Siddiqi, M.D. request to perform:

- *Insertion of dialysis catheters*
- *Endotracheal Intubation*

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

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Jaimie Wotell, PA-C/Sammy Kang, M.D. request to perform:

- *Excisions on malignant lesions confirmed by pathology, premalignant lesions, symptomatic benign lesions, excisional biopsy for diagnostics and therapeutic purposes*

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

Parini Shah, PA-C/Nini Khozeimeh, M.D. request to perform:

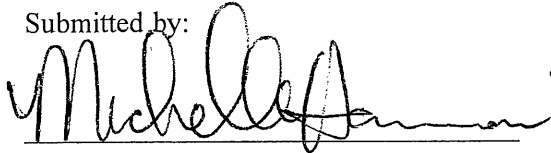
- *Mediport Removal*

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.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Baker and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 5:36p.m.

Submitted by:



Michelle Harrison
Allied Health Analyst