

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**  
**Physician Assistant Advisory Committee**  
**4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215**  
**Wednesday, September 5, 2018**  
**MBP Board Room, Room 100**

**OPEN MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Natalie Orbach, PA-C, Chair, William W. Ashley, M.D., Timothy Capstack, M.D., Thomas Walsh, M.D., George Sobieralski, PA-C, Brenda Baker, Consumer Member

**STAFF PRESENT:** Christine Farrelly, Executive Director, Ellen Douglas-Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, Rhonda Deanes, Allied Health Analyst, Michelle Harrison, Allied Health Analyst, Cecilia Laurent, Allied Health Analyst, Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Allied Health Analyst, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel, Wynnee E. Hawk, R.N., J.D., Manager, Policy and Legislation

**ABSENT:** Jennifer Norris, PA-C

**CALL TO ORDER**

Natalie Orbach called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Walsh, the Committee approved the August 1, 2018 Open Meeting Minutes.

**LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Wynnee E. Hawk, R.N., J.D., Manager, Policy and Legislation**

Ms. Hawk informed the Committee that a Physician Assistant Workgroup has been organized. The Workgroup is comprised of 10 members - five Board representatives (two Board staff, one Committee member and two Board members) and five individuals that the Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants (MAPA) recommended. Ms. Orbach will serve on the Workgroup as a Board representative.

Ms. Hawk stated that the priorities of the Workgroup have been identified and that the objective is to address recurring questions Board staff receives and the role and supervision of physician assistants. She also stated that three meetings have been schedule. The meetings will be open to the general public, published on the Maryland General Assembly's hearing schedule and the on Board's websites.

Ms. Hawk also apprised the Committee on the current status of the draft regulations for physician assistant dispensing. The new statute allowing physician assistants to dispense passed in the previous legislative session and goes into effect on October 1, 2018.

She informed the Committee that a draft of proposed regulation regarding dispensing for physician assistants is in process. The key components were outlined in the focus sheet, and if the Committee approves the draft regulations, they will be presented to the Board for approval. The draft proposes that, along with other criteria, a supervising physician with a dispensing permit can only delegate to a physician assistant what they are allowed to prescribe.

The supervising physician must coordinate with the Maryland Office of Controlled Substances Administration (OCSA) to ensure that both the supervising physician and physician assistant remain in compliance with OCSA statutes and regulations. Ms. Farrelly also reiterated that dispensing will be considered an advanced duty which requires appropriate documentation of advanced level education and training. The regulations will be presented to the Board for approval on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### Addendums

*James Brennan, Jr., PA-C/Claude Smith, M.D. request to perform;*

- *Advanced Psychopharmacologic treatment*
- *Conduct Diagnostic assessments psychopharm interventions and behavioral interventions*
- *Evaluations and Basic Pharmacologic treatment of patients with psychiatric disorders in a psychiatric setting*

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.

*Amy Schwartzbaum, PA-C/Claude Smith, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Advanced Psychopharmacologic treatment*
- *Conduct Diagnostic assessments psychopharm interventions and behavioral interventions*
- *Evaluations and Basic Pharmacologic treatment of patients with psychiatric disorders in a psychiatric setting*

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.

## NEW BUSINESS

*Teresa Campos, PA-C/Robert Klug, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Nonfluoroscopic X-Ray, procedures of the extremities, anterior, posterior & lateral, not including the head utilizing the Mini C-Arm*

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.

*Daniel Lamont, PA-C/Dennis Kane, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Nonfluoroscopic X-Ray, procedures of the extremities, anterior, posterior & lateral, not including the head utilizing the Mini C-Arm*

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.

*Lisa Laumann, PA-C/Kelly McGuigan, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Ablative and nonablative laser (BBL and HALO skin rejuvenation)*
- *Botox, PDT (photodynamic Therapy)*
- *Intralesional injections*

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- *Excision and repair of malignant and benign lesions on body throughout (facial lesions limited to 2.5 cm or less)*

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*Catalina Lehrer, PA-C/Kelly McGuigan, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Botox*
- *Cryosurgery*
- *Intralesional Injections*
- *Sciton laser machine for BBL and HALO procedures for Skin Rejuvenation*

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

*Kelly London, PA-C/Rajabrata Sarkar, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Central Line Insertion*
- *Arterial Line Insertion*

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

*Ryan Merson, PA-C/John Marra, M.D., M.D. request to perform:*

- *Stress Testing: exercise and pharmacologic*

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*Jessica Vogelsong, PA-C/David Buchalter, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Joint Aspirations (Knee)*

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*Gladys Wilkins, PA-C/Sunita Kulshrestha, M.D. request to perform:*

- *Ultrasonography (first trimester OB, GYN, and follicular studies)*
- *Intrauterine Insemination*
- *Mock Embryo Transfer, Sonohysterogram*

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*Willard Martin, III, PA-C/Murali Balakrishnan, M.D. request to perform:*

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*Bridgit Mena, PA-C/James Huang, M.D. request to perform:*

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*Alfred Phelps, PA-C/Maurice Cates, M.D. request to perform:*

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*Rikkita Russell, PA-C/Rinelda Horton, M.D. request to perform:*

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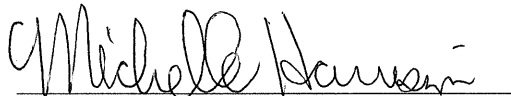
#### **CLOSED SESSION**

On a motion made by Ms. Baker and seconded by Dr. Walsh, the Committee voted to go into the Closed Session at 5:18 p.m. to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation and to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Dr. Walsh and seconded by Ms. Baker, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 5:28 p.m.

Submitted by:



Michelle Harrison  
Allied Health Analyst