

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, September 2, 2020
MBP Board Room, Room 100**

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT VIA

ZOOM:

Jennifer Norris, PA-C, Chair, Robert Roca, M.D., Kara R. Cossis, PA-C, Deborah Dunn, MBA, PA-C, Benita Wilson, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT

VIA ZOOM:

Christine Farrelly, Executive Director, Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel, Wynee Hawk, Manager, Policy & Legislation, Rhonda Deanes, Allied Health Analyst, James Scott, Allied Health Analyst, Princess Sando, Allied Health Analyst, Michael Tran, Allied Health Analyst Associate, Margaret Jury, Allied Health Analyst Associate

ABSENT:

William W. Ashley, M.D., FAANS, Timothy Capstack, M.D., FACP

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Norris called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Ms. Cossis and seconded by Ms. Dunn, the Committee unanimously approved the August 5, 2020 Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATION / REGULATIONS / POLICY UPDATES

Discussion – Revisions to the Maryland Physician Assistant Act: Health Occupations Article, Title 15

Mr. Finkler and Ms. Hawk discussed proposed modifications to the Physician Assistant Act. The Committee suggested changes to the language and provided guidance about whether other changes were advisable.

Discussion – Preceptor Tax Credit (Walk-In)

Ms. Hawk discussed a legislative proposal from the 2020 legislative session concerning an income tax credit for PA preceptors. She informed the Committee that the proposal will be introduced again during the 2021 legislative session and that the Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants is requesting Board support. Ms. Hawk stated that the Board has expressed concerns about the legislation and will reserve taking a position until a bill is introduced.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Norris informed the Committee that at its meeting on August 26, 2020, the Board accepted all of the recommendations that the Committee made at its August 5, 2020 Committee meeting, concerning addendums for advanced duties.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Junnan Chen, PA-C/Steven Snyder, M.D. request to perform:

- *Botulinum Toxin Injection*
- *Coolsculpting*
- *EmSculpt*

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

NEW BUSINESS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Donna Francis-Samuels, PA-C/Michael Banks, M.D. request to perform:

- *Central Lines – Internal Jugular, Subclavian, Femoral*
- *Arterial Lines – Radial, Femoral*
- *Dialysis Catheter – Internal Jugular, Femoral*

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

Montia Golette-Lewis, PA-C/Marc Weber, M.D. request to perform:

- *Nonfluoroscopic x-ray, procedure of the extremities, anterior, posterior and lateral, not including the head utilizing the mini c-arm*

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

Ellen C. Jordan, PA-C/Michael Del Torto, M.D. request to perform:

- *Laser Hair Removal*
- *Laser Skin Resurfacing*
- *Laser for Pigmented/Vascular Lesions*

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

Edward B. O'Brian, PA-C/Thomas L. Matthew, M.D. request to perform:

- *Vein Harvesting*
- *Thoracostomy*
- *Thoracentesis/Chest Tubes*
- *Vascular Access*
- *Non-tunneled Central Venous Access*

The Committee tabled its review of this addendum pending its receipt and review of a procedure log documenting Mr. O'Brian's performance of the following:

- 10 Thoracostomy procedures
- 6 Thoracentesis/Chest Tube procedures
- 10 Vascular Access procedures
- 10 Non-tunneled Central Venous Vascular Access procedures

Kimberley C. Palm, PA-C/Mitika Maddula, M.D. request to perform:

- *Exercise Stress Testing – with and without pharmacologic agents*

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

Parise A. Street, PA-C/Marc Weber, M.D. request to perform:

- *Nonfluoroscopic x-ray, procedure of the extremities, anterior, posterior and lateral, not including the head utilizing the mini c-arm*

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

Heather Steele (formerly Walsh), PA-C/Sammy Kang, M.D. request to perform:

- *Chemical Vi Peels*

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

Morgan C. Wilkerson, PA-C/John Gschwend, M.D. request to perform:

- *Endometrial Biopsy*

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

WALK-IN ADDENDUMS

Kim S. Endres, PA-C/Wai Leong Foo, D.O. request to perform:

- *Trigger Point Injections*
- *Joint Injections (hip bursa, shoulder, knee)*

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

Lori Pioli, PA-C/Robert Klug, M.D. request to perform:

- *Nonfluoroscopic x-ray, procedure of the extremities, anterior, posterior and lateral, not including the head utilizing the mini c-arm*

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

Jennifer Q. Tran, PA-C/Sephora Morrison, M.D. request to perform:

- *Dislocation Reduction*
- *Gastrostomy Tube Replacement*
- *Lumbar Puncture*
- *Nerve Blocks*
- *Point-of-Care Ultrasound (POCUS)*
- *Suprapubic Catherization/Aspiration*
- *Procedural Sedation*
- *Moderate Sedation*

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

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Dr. Roca, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Signature on File at the Board
Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor