

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, September 3, 2025
4th Floor, Conference Room 1**

OPEN AGENDA MEETING MINUTES

**PRESENT VIA
ZOOM:**

Kara R. Cossis, PA-C, Chair, Robert Roca, M.D., Janaki Champa Kuruppu, M.D., Deborah Dunn, MBA, PA-C, Wendy Riekers, PA-C, Benita Wilson, Consumer Member

**STAFF PRESENT
VIA ZOOM:**

Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Felicia Wright, Allied Health Manager, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel, Michael Tran, Health Policy Analyst, Rhonda Deanes, Allied Health Lead PA Analyst, John (Jack) Shock, Allied Health Analyst, Breana Ragin, Allied Health Analyst Associate, Shawneka Freeman, Allied Health Analyst Associate, Margaret Jury, Lead Allied Health Analyst

STAFF ABSENT: Christine Farrelly, Executive Director

**COMMITTEE
MEMBER(S)
ABSENT:**

John Klune, M.D., MBA, FACS

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Cossis called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Dr. Kuruppu and seconded by Ms. Wilson, the Committee unanimously approved the August 6, 2025, Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATION, REGULATIONS, AND POLICY UPDATES

Nothing to report

BOARD COUNSEL

Nothing to report

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Ms. Cossis informed the Committee that at its meeting on August 27, 2025, the Board accepted all of the recommendations that the Committee made at its August 6, 2025, meeting concerning addendums for advanced duties.

NEW BUSINESS

Addendums for Advanced Duties

Danielle Marie Auth, PA-C/Benjamin David Bernstein, M.D., request to perform:

- *Ablative/Non-Ablative Laser Therapy (Clear Lift Laser Therapy, Laser Hair Removal Therapy, Skin Tightening Laser Therapy)*
- *Botulinum Toxin (A/B) Injections*
- *Dermal Filler Injections*

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

Connor James Hall, PA-C/Sohrab Shahab, M.D., request to perform:

- *Flexible Laryngoscopy*
- *Nasal Endoscopy*

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.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Dr. Kuruppu, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Submitted by:

Signature on File

Rhonda Deanes, Allied Health Unit