

**MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee
4201 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215
Wednesday, January 4, 2017
MBP Board Room, Room 100**

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Anthony Raneri, M.D., Chair, Lee Schwab, M.D., George Sobieralski, PA-C, Natalie Orbach, PA-C; Brenda Baker, Consumer Member (via Conference Call)

STAFF PRESENT: Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, Cecilia Laurent, Allied Health Analyst, Michelle Harrison, Allied Health Analyst, Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Allied Health Analyst, Rhonda Deans, Licensure Analyst Associate, Cheryl Green, Licensure Analyst Associate, David Wagner, Esq., Board Counsel

STAFF ABSENT: Gigi Leon, PA-C, Wynee Hawk, Policy/Legislation Manager

GUESTS: Mark F. McKinnon, DHSc, PA-C President, Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Raneri called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee approved the December 7, 2016 Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

No Representation from Policy Unit

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

Nothing to report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Addendums

Chase Charwat, PA-C/Brian G. Johnson, M.D. request to perform:

- *Joint Injection/Aspiration*
- *Arterial cannulation (femoral & radial)*
- *CVC Insertions*
- *Chest Tube Insertions*
- *Conscious Moderate Sedation**
- *ET Intubation*
- *HD Catheter Insertion*
- *Lumbar Puncture*
- *Mediport Placement*
- *Paracentesis/Thoracentesis*
- *Per. Bili Catheter Changes*
- *Thyroid Biopsies*
- *Drainage Catheter Changes*

On a motion made by Dr. Schwab and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend denial of the request to perform conscious moderate sedation based on the fact that the Physician Assistant is performing the procedure and supervising the conscious sedation, presenting a concern for patient safety. At its December 7, 2016 meeting, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval for all the other requested procedures. The Board approved those procedures at its December 21, 2016 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Bethany Kate Augustine, PA-C/Jaime Jude Barnes, M.D. request to perform;

- *Central Line Insertions*

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

Dennis Carlson, PA-C/Robert Graw, 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. Schwab and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

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Jonathan Kwei Chiang, PA-C/Brad Cogan, M.D. request to perform:

- *Thoracentesis*
- *Paracentesis*
- *Insertion & Removal of Non-Tunneled & Tunneled Central Lines*
- *Insertion and Removal of Port Catheters*

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.

Danial Landes, PA-C/Robert Graw, 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. Schwab and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Dion Pastick, PA-C/Stanford Coleman, 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. Orbach and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Thao Phung Super, PA-C/Zuzana Chamrova, M.D. request to perform:

- *Thyroid Biopsy*

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

Kristin A. Petronio, PA-C/Mohsin S. Sheikh, M.D. request to perform:

- *Occipital Nerve Blocks/Suprascapular Nerve Blocks*
- *Joint Injections (Intra-Articular Knee, Shoulder, Greater Trochanteric Bursa)*
- *Trigger Point Injections*

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

Susan Signorelli, PA-C/Scott Lifchet, M.D. request to perform:

- *Joint Injections*
- *Myofascial/Trigger Point Injections*

On a motion made by Ms. Orbach and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend its approval of Carpal Tunnel, Tendon Sheaths and Small Joint Injections to the Board.

Matthew Van Tine, PA-C/Christopher Kwon, M.D. request to perform:

- *Femoral Arterial Cannulation*
- *Radial Arterial Cannulation*
- *Femoral Central Venous Catheter Insertion*
- *Subclavian Central Venous Catheter Insertion*
- *Internal Jugular Central Venous Catheter Insertion*
- *Pulmonary Artery Catheterization*
- *Hemodialysis Catheter Insertion*
- *Thoracentesis*
- *Chest Tube Insertion*

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

Walk-In Addendums

Bryn M. Krane, PA-C/Justin R. Hoover, M.D. request to perform:

- *Trochanteric Bursal Injections*
- *Intra-Articular Knee Injections*
- *Knee Aspirations*

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

Melanie S. Niemeyer, PA-C/Ann M. Lindgren, M.D. request to perform:

- *Botulinum Toxin Injections*
- *Chemical Peels*
- *Dermal Filler Injections*
- *Fractional Non-Ablative Laser Resurfacing*
- *Diode Laser (532 nm and 940 nm)*
- *Microneedling*
- *Sclerotherapy of Telangectasia (Microsclerotherapy)*

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.

Alisa Studley, PA-C/Diane Snyder, M.D. request to perform:

- *Nexplanon Insertion and Removals*

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

Leiming Wang, PA-C/Christopher C. Kwon, M.D. request to perform:

- *Vein Harvesting (Open and Endoscopic)*

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

Stephen P. Wolf, PA-C/Ann B. Burke, M.D. request to perform:

- *Chest Tube Insertion/Thoracostomy*
- *Joint Injections/Joint Aspirations*

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

Donell D. Deremer, PA-C/Tina B. West, M.D. request to perform:

- *Facial Nerve Blocks*
- *Pulsed Dye Laser*

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

Discussion – Physician Assistant’s Delegated Psychiatric Duties (Core/Advanced)

The Committee was provided a copy of a chart, reviewed and agreed upon by Dr. Robert Roca, Board Member Psychiatrist, consisting of various medical acts specific to the practice of psychiatry to be delegated to Physician Assistants by psychiatrists. The chart categorized the medical acts as either “Core” or “Advanced” duties. Dr. Robert Roca reviewed the chart that was provided to the Committee and agreed with the designations that had been assigned. Board staff asked whether the Committee would recommend its approval or disapproval of the “Core” / “Advanced” duty designations.

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralaski and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee unanimously voted to re-categorize the specified psychiatric medical acts (duties) on the chart and recommend to the Board its approval of the amended list of “Core” / “Advanced” duty designation of the specified psychiatric duties as follows:

Core Duties

Monitor patient medications for side effects and efficacy, Serve as liaison with addiction treatment programs, other medical entities, History and Physical, Medication management, Review medications for interactions and proper dosing, Evaluate medical comorbidities and make recommendations to physicians, Order, monitor and document tests and labs, Order consultations/referrals for psychotherapy/counseling as needed, Collaborate care with PCP and therapist, Provide medical education to patients and staff, Psychiatric evaluations and/or conduct mental health psychiatric assessments, Assigning a psychiatric

diagnosis from the DSM, Initial prescribing psychiatric medications based on psychopharmacology experience, Evaluating patients with psychiatric problems, Conduct detailed mental status examinations, Prescribe treatment for psychiatric conditions.

Advanced Duties

Psychotherapy (i.e. Perform supportive psychotherapy)
Specialty psychiatric care

Requires Additional Information

Primary psychiatric care, Advanced psychopharmacology of psychiatric medications, Conduct diagnostic assessments, psychopharmacological interventions and behavioral interventions

Discussion – Advanced Procedure List


Board staff provided the Committee with a list of approved advanced procedures and requested its assistance in identifying duplicate procedures, as well as identification of the specialty area in which each procedure falls.

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee unanimously voted to table its review, identification of duplicate procedures, as well as identification of the specialty area in which each procedure falls until its February, 2017 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Submitted by:



Michelle Harrison
Allied Health Analyst