

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

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

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

STAFF PRESENT: Felicia Wright, Allied Health Supervisor, Christine Farrelly, Executive Director, Ellen Douglas Smith, Deputy Director, Cecilia Laurent, Allied Health Analyst, Michelle Harrison, Allied Health Analyst, Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Allied Health Analyst, Sandi Van Horn, Health Policy Analyst, David Finkler, Esq., Board Counsel

GUESTS: Robert Roca, M.D., Board Member - Psychiatrist
Christine Gardella, PA-C, 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 Dr. Schwab and seconded by Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee approved the February 1, 2017 Open Meeting Minutes.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Sandi Van Horn, Health Policy Analyst

Ms. Van Horn informed the Committee that proposed Senate Bill 848 and House Bill 1124 authorize physician assistants to prepare and dispense prescription drugs in certain circumstances and certain settings. Both bills are scheduled for hearings in Annapolis within the next week. The Committee expressed concerns that neither bill ensures that both the primary supervising physician and physician assistant have the same dispensing privileges. The Committee was also concerned that the specified settings in the bills were limited.

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

Nothing to report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Advanced Procedures List (Consolidation)

The Physician Assistant Advisory Committee (PAAC) voted to table this agenda item until its April 2017 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Addendums

Collina Afriyie, PA-C/Rehan Waheed, M.D. request to perform:

- *Joint Injections – Knee and Shoulder*
- *Trigger Point Injections*

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

Abimbola Fasusi, PA-C/Sonia Rhoden-Salmon, 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 Mr. Sobieralski, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Amy M. Fleming, PA-C/George O. Gavrilu, M.D. request to perform:

- *Collagen Induction Therapy (CIT) via Microneedling*
- *Bio Identical Hormone Replacement Therapy (BHRT) – Subcutaneous Pellet Insertion*
- *Kybella Injections*

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

Aaron Galvin, PA-C/Stanform 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 Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Sarah E. Greenwood, PA-C/Jonathan Lewis Hansen, M.D. request to perform:

- *Arthrocentesis*

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

Jairus L. Johnson, PA-C/Christopher C. Kwon, M.D. request to perform:

- *A-Line Insertion*
- *Insertion of Chest Tubes*
- *Replace Swan Ganz Catheters*
- *Harvest & Prepare Saphenous Vein, Close leg Incision, Internal Mammary and Radial Artery*
- *Insertion and Removal of IABP*

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

Jennifer Reilly, PA-C/Michael Siegenthaler, M.D. request to perform:

- *Endoscopic Vein Harvesting*

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

Janette Marie Roderick, PA-C/George Gavrila, M.D. request to perform:

- *Botox Injections*
- *Dermal Filler Injections*
- *Microneedling*
- *Administration of Broad Band Light Procedure*

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

Jacqueline Schnell, PA-C/Jonathan Hansen, M.D. request to perform:

- *IJ Central Venous Catheter Placement*

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

Jenifer Tersakyan, PA-C/Robert Graw, Jr., 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 voted unanimously to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Walk-In Addendums

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 Ms. Orbach, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Roger DeShong, PA-C/Jaime Jude Barnes, M.D. request to perform:

- *Endotracheal Intubation*
- *Central Line Insertions*
- *Arterial Line Insertions*

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

- *Dermal Fillers*

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

Katherine Lee Gaitan, PA-C/Howard N. Robinson, M.D. request to perform:

- *Intense Pulse Light Laser*
- *Hair Removal Laser*
- *Skin Tightening Laser*
- *Pixal Laser (Erbium-Yag Laser)*
- *ED&C Malignant Neoplasm*
- *Excision/Subcutaneous Repair*
- *Narrow-band UVB Light Treatment*

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

Regina M. Martin, PA-C/Jaime Jude Barnes, M.D. request to perform:

- *Endotracheal Intubation*

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

Youna Raminfar, PA-C/Marc Weber, 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 Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Ms. Orbach, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend its approval of this addendum to the Board.

Michael Shives, PA-C/Alvaro Cabezas, M.D. request to perform:

- *Intra-articular Injections –Hips, Knees, Shoulders*
- *Aspirations/Arthrocentesis - Knees*

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

Paul D. Szczybor, PA-C/Jaime Jude Barnes, M.D. request to perform:

- *Endotracheal Intubation*

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

Jamie Lynn Weiss, PA-C/Scott C. Faucett, M.D. request to perform:

- *Joint Injections*
- *Joint Aspirations*
- *Closed Reduction of Dislocations*
- *Closed Reduction of Fractures*

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

Discussion – ARC-PA’s Standards for Psychiatry Curriculum in PA Programs

Natalie Orbach, PA-C provided the Committee with excerpts from the syllabi of a local Physician Assistant Program accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA). The excerpts included clinical rotation requirements and course work requirements as they relate to psychiatry.

Ms. Orbach noted that all physician assistants must successfully pass the NCCPA’s Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam (PANCE) and informed the Committee that six percent of the exam’s content is on Psychiatry/Behavioral medicine. She stated that six percent of content is equivalent to the percentage of other content areas tested. Ms. Orbach also noted that there is a Certificate of Added Qualifications (CAQ) examination in psychiatry for PAs, but it is not a requirement for certification. This additional certification examines a more advanced level of knowledge in the field of psychiatry for physician assistants.

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

At its meeting on January 25, 2017, the Maryland Board of Physicians directed Dr. Robert Roca, Board Member with a specialty in psychiatry, and the PAAC to meet and compile one consolidated list of “Core”/“Advanced” psychiatric duties that may be delegated to physician assistants by a psychiatrist. After a lengthy discussion, Dr. Roca and the PAAC agreed on the “Core” duties and “Advanced” duties specified on Chart #3 below. However, Dr. Roca and the PAAC could not reach a unanimous consensus regarding the designation of the duties identified as “Unresolved Duties” on Chart #3.

Chart #3
 Consolidated List of Categorized Physician Assistant
 Psychiatric Duties Agreed Upon by Dr. Roca and the PAAC

Core Duties	Advanced Duties	Unresolved Duties
Monitor patient medications for side effects and efficacy	Psychotherapy (i.e. Perform supportive psychotherapy)	Psychiatric evaluations and/or conduct mental health psychiatric assessments
Serve as liaison with addiction treatment programs, other medical entities	Specialty psychiatric care	Assigning a psychiatric diagnosis from the DSM
History and Physicals	Advanced psychopharmacology of psychiatric medications	Initial prescribing psychiatric medications based on psychopharmacology experience
Medication management	Conduct diagnostic assessments, psychopharmacological interventions and behavioral interventions	Conduct psychiatric interviews of patients families
Review medications for interactions and proper dosing		Evaluating patients with psychiatric problems
Evaluate medical comorbidities and make recommendations to physician		Conduct detailed mental status examinations
Order, monitor and document tests and lab		Prescribe treatment for psychiatric conditions
Order consultations/referrals for psychotherapy/counseling as needed		
Collaborate care with PCP and therapist		
Provide medical education to patients and staff		

On a motion mad by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Ms. Orbach, the Committee unanimously votes to recommend that the Board:

1. Approve the designation of duties listed under "Core" and "Advanced" Duties on Chart # 3 as such; **and**
2. Provide further guidance as to whether the duties listed under "Unresolved Duties" on Chart #3 are "Core or "Advanced" duties.

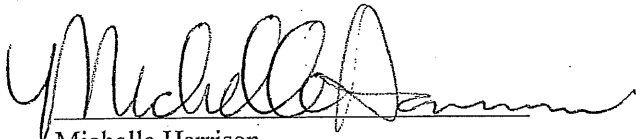
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ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Sobieralski and seconded by Dr. Schwab, the Committee unanimously voted to adjourn its meeting at 4:39 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 5, 2017 at 4:00 p.m., in Room 100.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Harrison", written over a horizontal line.

Michelle Harrison
Allied Health Analyst