

MINUTES
COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS
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February 5, 2009

Members Present:

Deborah Gerbert, PA-C, Chair
Ronald Burns, D.O.
Robert Cline, M.D.
Steven Rosenberg, M.D

Staff Present:

Larry McPherson, Executive Director
Crystal Sanford, Program Operations Administrator
Chandra Prine, Program Operations Administrator

Member(s) Absent

Gary Winchester, M.D.

BOARD COUNSEL:

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Roll Call: 3:08 p.m.

TAB 1: Meeting Report/Minutes

- A. Approval of the December 4, 2008 PA Council Meeting Report/Minutes

The Council recommends approval of the minutes for the meeting held December 4, 2008.

TAB 2: Ratification of Full Licensees

A motion was made and seconded to approve the following full licensure list, which carried 4/0

1. Tanya Elizabeth Ames
2. Matthew David Barnes
3. Shonet Andrene Brown
4. David Kent Bunde
5. Crystal Dianna Coker

6. Marisa Phyllis Cooke
7. Reynaldo Fernando Espino, Jr.
8. Patricia Marie Fry
9. Jennifer Christine Fuller
10. Carlos Juan Galban
11. Teresa J. Galdona-Gorassini
12. Walter Clyde Harris
13. Alysha Evelina Henry-Johnson
14. Anna Iv
15. Regine Jose
16. Polly Crawford Kaufman
17. Angela Michelle Kist
18. Kraig Michael Koschmeder
19. Jessica Katherine Lyons
20. Joanna Louise Niemann
21. Vivian Rose Palmer
22. Adriana de Souza Pinheiro
23. Tony Ray Potter
24. Theresa A. Regis
25. Marshall William Rubin
26. Diane Marla Sabel
27. Olga A. Saprygina
28. Matthew Dustin Simmons
29. William Andrew Swope
30. Elizabeth Ulman
31. Celeste Nadine Welch
32. Katherine A. Wiedenhofer

TAB 3: Ratification of Temporary Licensees

A motion was made and seconded to ratify the following temporary licensure list, which carried 4/0.

1. Justin Michael Bartl
2. Catherine Elizabeth Capozziello
3. Shannon Renee DeMond
4. Jonathan David Domico
5. Tamar Michelle Dragon
6. Cal Wade Graves
7. Crystal Laniece Jones
8. Richard Lloyd Jones, III
9. John Thomas Kivler
10. Yea-pyng Luo
11. Jaime Elizabeth Manning
12. Melissa Noelle Marchand
13. Lisa Miransky
14. Sayuri Rendon
15. Rikkita Lynn Russell
16. Stephanie Rivera
17. Patricia A. Torres

TAB 4: Ratification of Upgraded Temporary Licensees to Full Licensees

A motion was made and seconded to approve the following upgraded temporary licensure list, which carried 4/0

1. Justin Michael Bartl
2. Shannon Renee DeMond
3. Jonathan David Domico
4. Richard Lloyd Jones, III
5. John Thomas Kivler
6. Sharon Renee Lettsome
7. Lisa Miransky
8. Patricia A. Torres

Council Business:

TAB 5: Rule 64B8-30.008, F.A.C. and Rule 64B15-6.0038, F.A.C. – Formulary

The Council has previously reviewed changes in law that would allow supervising physicians to authorize PA's to prescribe antipsychotics and parenteral preparations. The Council had requested State Surgeon General appoint a pharmacist to assist in the proposed change to the formulary.

Rebecca Poston, R.Ph., Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy was appointed by Ana Maria Viamonte Ros, M.D., MPH, State Surgeon General. Ms. Poston provided a formulary review to the PA Council members and concurred with the proposal to remove antipsychotics and parenteral preparations from the PA formulary. A report to this effect was provided by Ms. Poston to the Committee.

A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to waive Ms. Poston's appearance before the Council.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the proposed amended language in both Rules 64B8-30.008, FAC and 64B15-6.0038, FAC.

A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to find that these changes will have a positive impact on small business and therefore a statement of estimated regulatory costs (SERC) is necessary.

Ms. Sanford advised she would draft the SERC.

The Council asked that she schedule a conference call in March for final approval of the draft SERC.

Action taken: amended language approved; SERC to be drafted and presented at a conference call in March

TAB 6: House Bill 249

The Council reviewed HB 249 which, if passed, would remove the requirement for a supervising physician to co-sign charts or medical records prepared by the physician assistant.

Juhan Mixon, Florida Academy of Physician Assistants (FAPA), addressed the Council requesting their support for the bill.

Jeff Hully, PA, former President of FAPA and current Chair of FAPA's Legislative Committee, also addressed the Council requesting support for the bill.

Chris Nuland, Esquire, representing the Florida Chapter of the American College of Physicians, addressed the Council. He stated his organization is opposed to the bill on the basis that the current law, especially for new PA's, provides effective supervision.

A motion was made, seconded and carried with one (1) opposed to support the bill.

Action taken: support the bill.

TAB 7: Proposed Changes to the Physician Assistant Application

A motion was made and seconded to approve the amended licensure language to rule 64B8-30.003, 64B8-1.007, and 64B15-6.003, F.A.C., including the amended application as submitted. The motion carried 4/0.

A motion was made and seconded that there is no impact on small business and therefore no requirement for a statement of estimated regulatory costs. The motion carried 4/0.

Election of Council Chair

A motion was made to elect Deborah Gerbert, PA-C as Chair of the Physician Assistants Council for the year 2009. The motion was seconded and carried 4/0

The meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.