



Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants

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FINAL MINUTES FOR MEETING OF JOINT LEGISLATION AND RULES COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE MEETING Held on Monday, April 9, 2018 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room 4100, Phoenix, AZ 85007

Committee Members

Randy D. Danielsen, PhD, P.A., D.F.A.A.P.A. Chair
Sheldon G. Liechty, P.A.-C
Jacqueline J. Spiegel, M.S., P.A.-C, D.F.A.A.P.A.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Danielsen called the meeting to order at 12:31 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members participated telephonically: Dr. Danielsen, PA Liechty and PA Spiegel. Board Chairman Whitfield also participated telephonically.

ALSO PRESENT

Carrie Smith, AAG; Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director; Kristina Fredericksen, Deputy Director; Mary Bober, Board Operations Manager; and Michelle Robles, Board Coordinator.

C. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No individuals addressed the Board during the Call to the Public.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Chairman Danielsen moved to approve the November 1, 2017 Joint Legislation and Rules Committee Teleconference minutes.

SECOND: PA Spiegel.

VOTE: 2-yay, 0-nay, 1-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

E. REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ARBOPA MILITARY SERVICE WAIVER FORM FOR HB 2271(A.R.S. § 32-4303)

Committee members agreed that the format of the waiver form meets the requirements set by the committee and Board staff. PA Spiegel noted that the form allows a more narrative response by physician assistant applicants.

MOTION: PA Spiegel moved to approve the Military Service Waiver Form and take it forward to the full Board for approval.

SECOND: PA Liechty.

PA Whitfield opined that the form is ready to go on the next meeting agenda before the full Board for consideration. Chairman Danielsen requested that Board staff prepare a presentation regarding the implementation of the form.

VOTE: 3-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

F. REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SB1001 OPIOID EPIDEMIC ACT CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) REQUIREMENTS

Ms. McSorley reported that a new law effective April 26, 2018 requires all Physician Assistants renewing their license take three (3) CME hours regarding opioids. Board staff has sent out a notice to physician assistants with

CME options for physician assistants to complete this new requirement. Ms. McSorley suggested that the current audit process will remain the same and in effect.

PA Spiegel commented that the opioid credits are not required for National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) accreditation and therefore, the current CME audit process may eliminate a large portion of physician assistants.

Ms. Smith noted that the Board's current statute does not allow PA's with NCCPA accreditation to be audited. Ms. Smith suggested adding language to the renewal application attesting completion of the new CME requirement under the new law. PA Whitfield suggested making the new CME requirement clear on the Board's website.

G. UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF HB2250: PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS; PRESCRIBING AUTHORITY; DELEGATION

Ms. McSorley reported that the Bill has moved forward through the Senate and has been returned to the House for a final vote, after which it would be transmitted to the Governor.

H. ADJOURNMENT


MOTION: PA Spiegel moved to adjourn the meeting.

SECOND: PA Liechty.

VOTE: 3-yay, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 0-absent.

MOTION PASSED.

The meeting adjourned at 12:52 p.m.



Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director