

FINAL APPROVED

ADVISORY BOARD ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

Minutes

October 8, 2020

Electronic Meeting

The Advisory Board on Physician Assistants held a virtual meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2020 hosted at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Portia Tomlinson, PA-C, Chair
Kathleen Scarbalis, PA-C
Frazier W. Frantz, MD
James Carr, PA-C
Tracey Dunn, Citizen

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director
Michael Sobowale, LL.M., Deputy Director, Licensing
Colanthia Morton Opher, Deputy Director, Administration
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst
Yetty Shobo, PhD, Healthcare Workforce Data Center
ShaRon Clanton, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT: Jonathan Williams, VAPA
Scott Johnson, JD, MSV
Robert Glasgow, PA-C, VAPA

Call to Order

Ms. Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 10:17 am.

Emergency Egress Procedures

Dr. Harp announced the emergency egress instructions.

Roll Call

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Roll was called; all advisory board members present. A quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes May 23, 2019

Ms. Scarbalis moved to adopt the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dunn. By roll call vote, the minutes were approved as presented.

Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Scarbalis moved to adopt the agenda with the topic of the physician assistant licensure compact added to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carr. By roll call vote, the adoption of the agenda as amended carried unanimously.

Public Comment on Agenda Items (15 minutes)

None

Healthcare Workforce Data Presentation

Yetty Shobo, PhD, presented the workforce data for physician assistants surveyed in 2019. Her presentation showed a younger workforce and stable economic prospects for the profession as part of their findings.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposed Regulations for Public Hearing

Ms. Tomlinson conducted a Public Hearing to receive comment on proposed amendments relating to the replacement of emergency regulations with final regulations on physician assistant collaborative practice with a patient care team physician. There was no public comment. Ms. Tomlinson concluded the hearing.

2. Physician Assistant Licensure Compact

Ms. Scarbalis gave a report on the meeting organized by the Federation of State Medical Boards on November 21st, 2019 in Washington, DC at which the physician assistant licensure compact was discussed.

This report was for information only, and no action was required.

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3. Report of Regulatory Actions and 2020 General Assembly

Mrs. Yeatts provided a legislative update and report of the 2020 General Assembly. She discussed bills that were of interest to members.

4. Approval of 2021 Meeting Calendar

Ms. Tomlinson moved to approve the 2021 proposed meeting dates for the Advisory Board as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Scarbalis. By roll call vote, the schedule of meetings for 2021 was approved.

5. Election of Officers

Ms. Tomlinson nominated Kathleen Scarbalis for Chair. James Carr seconded. Ms. Tomlinson nominated Mr. Carr for Vice-Chair. Ms. Dunn seconded. By roll call vote, Kathleen Scarbalis was approved as Chair, and James Carr was approved as Vice-Chair.

Announcements

Next Scheduled Meeting: January 28, 2021 @ 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

With no other business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 2:11 p.m.

Portia Tomlinson, PA-C, Chair

William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director

ShaRon Clanton, Licensing Specialist