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**VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
**Buprenorphine Work Group**

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Friday, July 22, 2016

Department of Health Professions

Henrico, VA

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Kenneth Walker, MD at 10:15 AM.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kenneth Walker, MD, Chair  
David Buchsbaum, MD  
Martin Buxton, MD  
Margaret Gregorczyk, MD  
Caroline Juran, RPh  
Matthew Keats, MD  
Robert Lowe, MD  
Mary McMasters, MD  
Mark Mattingly, MD  
Renee Miskimmin, MD  
Katherine Neuhausen, MD  
Donna Proffitt  
Mellie Randall  
Mark Stevens, MD

**STAFF PRESENT:** William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director  
Jennifer Deschenes, JD, Deputy Director of Discipline  
Colanthia Morton Opher, Operations Manager  
David Brown, DC, DHP Director  
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Scott Johnson, HDJN, MSV  
Lindsay Walton, Macauley & Jamerson  
Robert Wright

**Meeting Summary**

Dr. Walker opened the meeting, and Ms. Deschenes provided the emergency egress procedures. The minutes of May 13, 2016 were accepted as written by the Work Group members. Dr. Stephens' motion to adopt the agenda as presented was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Work Group heard public comment from Hughes Melton, MD. Dr. Walker welcomed Dr. Keats and Dr. Neuhausen as members of the Work Group. Dr. Brown thanked the members for their commitment in formulating a document for their colleagues across the state on how to provide medication-assisted treatment in an acceptable manner.

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The Work Group continued its work from May 13, 2016 by further revising the Federation of State Medical Boards Model Policy document. The consensus was that information on special populations should be added, and with time drawing to a close, Work Group members volunteered to draft sections as follows:

- § Neonatology- Dr. Harp will contact Alan Picarillo, MD
- § Psychiatric Comorbidities- Matthew Keats, MD and Jim Reinhardt, MD
- § Ages 15-18- Martin Buxton, MD and Mark Stevens, MD
- § Pregnant Women- Margaret Gregorzyck, MD
- § Chronic Pain- Mary McMasters, MD
- § Incarcerated and Recently Released- Robert Lowe, MD
- § Geriatrics-Ken Walker, MD
- § Military Personnel- Dr. Harp will contact Kathy Staak, MD and Jim Corcoran, MD
- § Medical Comorbidity- Mary McMasters, MD and Robert Lowe, MD

- Staff will forward special population information to co-authors.
- Staff will incorporate the information into the draft document.
- A meeting will be convened to review the final draft before being presented to the Board of Medicine at its meeting on October 20, 2016.
- Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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Kenneth J. Walker, MD, Chair

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William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

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