

**AMENDED/FINAL-APPROVED**

**ADVISORY BOARD ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS**

Board of Medicine  
Thursday October 4, 2018, 1:00 PM  
9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201  
Richmond, VA - Training Room 2

The Advisory Board on Physician Assistants met Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Portia Tomlinson, PA-C, Chair  
Rachel Carlson, PA-C, Vice-Chair  
Frazier W. Frantz, MD  
Thomas Parish, PA-C  
Tracey Dunn, Citizen Member

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director  
Colanthia Morton Opher, Deputy for Administration  
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst  
ShaRon Clanton, Licensing Specialist  
Jennifer Deschenes, Deputy for Discipline

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Rose Rutherford, VAPA  
Robert Glasgow, PA-C, VAPA  
W. Scott Johnson, JD, MSV  
Michael Goodman, JD, Goodman Allen

**Call to Order-Portia Tomlinson, PA-C Chair**

Ms. Tomlinson called the meeting to order.

**Emergency Egress Procedures-Alan Heaberlin**

Dr. Harp provided the emergency egress instructions.

**Roll Call**

Roll was called, and a quorum was declared.

**Approval of Minutes**

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Ms. Carlson moved to adopt the minutes of February 1, 2018 as written. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Adoption of Agenda**

Mr. Parish added an amendment to the agenda; the amended agenda was approved.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Periodic review of regulations-Elaine Yeatts**

Mrs. Yeatts reviewed the regulations with the Advisory Board. The members recommended the following changes be presented to the Board on October 18, 2018.

**18VAC85-50-10. Definitions.** Add “Supervision” means the supervising physician *licensed in the Commonwealth* has on going, regular communication with the physician assistant on the care and treatment of patients, is easily available, and can be physically present or accessible for consultation with the physician assistant within one hour.”

**18VAC85-50-115. Responsibilities of the physician assistant.** B. In the second sentence, strike who has registered with the board.

**18VAC85-50-130. Qualifications for approval of prescriptive authority.**

Change in 2. Maintain a practice agreement acceptable to the board prescribed in accordance with 18BAC85-50-101. Strike out following sentence and number 3. Change number 4 to number 3.

**18VAC85-50-140. Approved drugs and devices.** B. End first sentence at practice agreement, and strike remaining portion of sentence to read: “The physician assistant may prescribe only those categories of drugs and devices included in the practice agreement.”

**2. Virginia’s Licensed Physician Assistant Workforce**

Dr. Carter gave a brief description and overall review of the workforce report.

**3. Request for Advisory Opinion or Guidance re PA Supervision**

Ms. Deschenes spoke on the letter dated July 31, 2018 from Mike Goodman, JD.

**4. Board member badges**

Dr. Harp briefed the Advisory on the decision to no longer issue badges to Board members. Mr. Parrish turned his badge in to Mrs. Morton Opher.

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**5. 2019 Meeting Calendar**

Members requested a change in date for the meeting scheduled May 23, 2019.

**6. Election of Officers**

Mr. Parrish moved that Ms. Tomlinson remain Chair. Ms. Dunn moved that Mr. Parrish serve as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Announcements**

None

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

Next meeting date:

January 24, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m.

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Portia Tomlinson, PA-C, Chair

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

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ShaRon Clanton, Licensing Specialist