

ADVISORY BOARD ON RADIOLOGICAL TECHNOLOGY

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 10, 2003

The Advisory Board on Radiological Technology met on Wednesday, September 10, 2003 at 1:00 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions. Ms. Heffernan called the meeting to order. A quorum was declared.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Peggy Heffernan, RT
LaChele Gray
Mary Loritsch, RT

MEMBERS ABSENT: Cheryl Cunningham, RT
Ellen Paredes, MD

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Ola Powers, Deputy Executive Director-Licensing
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst
Nicole Gordon, Recording Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT: Joyce Hawkins, VSRT
Martin Gary, Student RT
Pam Shelton, SRMC
Timothy Talbot

APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED MAY 7, 2003

Ms. Gray moved to approve minutes dated May 7, 2003. The motion was seconded and carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Loritsch moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

No public comment

#1. Draft Legislation for the 2004 Session of the General Assembly

Ms. Yeatts reported on the proposed legislation to remove the exemption for licensure for radiologic technologists employed by licensed hospitals that was presented to the full Board on June 5, 2003. The Board approved the legislation to move forward. It was included with other bills that were forwarded in a legislative package to the Secretary of Health and Human

Resources. The Department should have information in early December, as to which bills have been included in the Governor's package.

#2. ARRT Passing Score for Bone Densitometry Exam

Ms. Loritsch spoke with Jerry Reed, Director of ARRT regarding the Bone Densitometry test that is currently in use. The ARRT is recommending a passing score of 59%. The Advisory Board recommended that the Virginia Board continue to require the approved score of 65%. There was some discussion on the ISCD program and the clinical component. Ms. Powers agreed to contact an ISCD program representative for more information to share with the Advisory Board at the next scheduled meeting.

#3. NOIRA on Ethics

Ms. Yeatts explained to the Advisory Board the need to promulgate professional ethics for all licensees of the Board of Medicine, including radiologic technologists. Ms. Heffernan and Ms. Cunningham will collect information at the ASRT meeting and submit to the Board office by the end of October.

#4. Review of Bylaws

A review of bylaws resulted in several changes that will go for review to the full Board in October and be brought back to the Advisory Board at their next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Harp presented data on the Virginia Podiatry x-ray course and examination.

The next meeting date has not been decided, but is tentatively scheduled for February 2004.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Peggy Heffernan, RRT

William L. Harp, M.D.
Executive Director

Nicole Gordon
Recording Secretary