

VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHARMACY
Minutes of Collaborative Practice Review Committee

November 22, 2005
Fifth Floor
Conference Room 4

Department of Health Professions
6603 West Broad Street
Richmond, Virginia 23230

CALL TO ORDER: A meeting of the Collaborative Practice Review Committee was called to order at 2PM.

PRESIDING: John O. Beckner, Vice Chairman, Board of Pharmacy

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cheryl Jordan-Sayles, MD, physician representative
Gill Abernathy, Board of Pharmacy Member
Ralph Small, pharmacist representative
Rebecca Snead, pharmacist representative
Shane Kraus, MD, physician representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mark Oley, Board of Pharmacy member
Suzanne M. Everhart, DO, Board of Medicine member
Gopinath Jadhav, MD, Board of Medicine member

STAFF PRESENT: Elizabeth Scott Russell, Executive Director
Caroline Juran, Deputy Executive Director
Elaine J. Yeatts, Senior Regulatory Analyst
Howard M. Casway, Assistant Attorney General

DISCUSSION The committee discussed the current regulations and ways that the regulations were more restrictive and onerous than the enabling statute required. There was a discussion concerning the regulation requirement for a patient to actually sign a written consent form generated by the practitioner with a copy sent to the pharmacy. The committee decided that this was overly restrictive and that the informed consent could be obtained by the practitioner or the pharmacist, or initiated by the patient. The committee also decided to get away from requiring a written signature in recognition of the move toward electronic patient records.

The committee discussed the limitations of current requirement that all alternates be required to be signatories. This limits the ability of the practitioner and pharmacist to designate someone in an emergency or to cover temporary absences. The committee agreed that the alternates did not need to be signatories.

The committee discussed the requirement that the agreements automatically terminate after two years. The committee agreed that there should be periodic review of the agreements for needed

updates, but that there was no reason to impose an expiration date.

The committee agreed that the heading, "Approval of protocols", is confusing, and should be changed to "Approval of protocols outside the standard of care". The committee also agreed that the language in 18 VAC 110-40-30 B is confusing and needs to be rewritten to more clearly reflect the intention that additional monitoring over what a standard protocol requires, does not necessitate approval under this section.

Staff agreed to make draft revisions and forward them to the committee for further review. The decision of whether the committee needs to meet again will be made after the committee has a chance to review the draft.

ADJOURN:

With all business concluded, the meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30.

Elizabeth Scott Russell
Executive Director

John O. Beckner, Committee Chair

Date