

MINUTES

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Boise, Idaho

Friday October 21, 2011

PARTICIPATING:

The meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m. by Chairperson, Amy Waselchuk, PA, Boise. Participating were Magen Schmidt, Coeur d'Alene and Paula Phelps, PA, Pocatello (via telephone). Also attending were Mary Leonard, Associate Director, Jennifer Winn, PA Licensing Manager, and Darlene Parrott, Compliance Monitor.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 2, 2011 meeting were approved. Unless otherwise noted, all actions were taken on motions duly made and adopted unanimously.

BUSINESS:

Marv Sparrell, PA representing the IAPA and Helen Lawler, PAG met with the Committee to discuss prescribing privileges for Physician Assistants who are certified but do not have a baccalaureate degree. The Committee acted to support Ms. Lawler's request to the Board to allow her to prescribe. (Phelps/Unanimous) In addition, the Committee discussed Mr. Sparrell's proposal to remove the requirement for a baccalaureate degree. The Committee acted to decline to recommend changing the requirement at this time. (Phelps/Unanimous)

The Financial Report for the Physician Assistants was reviewed.

The Committee reviewed the proposed amendments to ID Code § 54-1807A and IDAPA 22.01.03. This legislation will remove members of the Committee from the Public Employee Retirement System. This is accomplished by changing the reference in Idaho Code § 59-509 (h) to Idaho Code § 59-509 (n) to classify the compensation as an honorarium plus reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses.

The Committee scheduled the next meeting for February 10, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

The Committee was informed of the Board of Medicine action to deny the Veterans Administration's request for authorization to increase the number of physician assistants that a supervising physician can supervise.

The Committee was updated on the supervising physician renewal cycle to commence on November 1, 2011.

At 10:43 p.m., pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2345 (1) (b), (d) and (f), the Committee moved to go into Executive Session to consider pending matters. (Motion - Schmidt; Approved – Waselchuck and Phelps)

At 11:50 a.m., the Committee acted to leave Executive Session and go into Open Session. (Motion - Phelps; Approved – Waselchuck and Schmidt)

In Open Session, the Committee voted on the matters considered during Executive Session and made recommendations to the Board of Medicine as follows:

DISCIPLINE:

Upon consideration of Case No.6760, the Committee acted to recommend closure. (Waselchuck/Unanimous)

Upon consideration of Case No. 6777, the Committee acted to recommend closure with a Confidential Letter of Reprimand. (Motion -Phelps/Unanimous)

Upon consideration of Case No. 6788, the Committee acted to recommend closure. (Schmidt/Unanimous)

Upon consideration of Case No.6803, the Committee acted to recommend closure with a letter of concern. (Phelps/Unanimous)

Upon consideration of Monitoring Case No.29, the Committee acted to approve a request for modification of Stipulation and Order. (Phelps/Unanimous)

Upon consideration of Advanced Case No. 475, the Committee acted to recommend a Rehabilitation Stipulation and Order. (Schmidt/Unanimous)

Upon consideration of Advanced Case No. 478, the Committee acted to recommend approving online prescribing course. (Waselchuck/ motion passed)

Upon consideration of Case No.6227, the Committee reviewed new malpractice settlement information. No action was recommended to a previously considered and closed case.

Information was provided regarding Monitor ID No. 144.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.