

Minutes

The Physician Assistant Advisory Committee of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision met on July 27, 2017, in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The meeting was held at the office of the Board, 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Advance notice of this regularly scheduled meeting was transmitted to the Oklahoma Secretary of State on November 1, 2016 and posted on the Board's website on July 25, 2017. The notice and agenda were posted in prominent public view on the front doors of the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision building located at 101 NE 51st Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on July 25, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.

Members present were:

Don Flinn, PA-C, Chair
Louis Cox, MD
Anthony Sharp, MHS, PA-C
Lindsey Gillispie, PA-C
Todd Doran, EdD, PA-C – OUHSC-OKC, Program Director
Shannon Ijams, MPAS, PA-C - OU-Tulsa, Program Director
Dan McNeill, PhD, PA-C – OCU, Program Director

Members absent were:

Charles Womack, MD
Scott Williams, DO
Dennis Carter, DO

Others present included:

Lyle Kelsey, Executive Director
Reji Varghese, Deputy Director
Barbara J. Smith, Executive Secretary
Teresa Mitchell, Director of Licensing
Wendy Howell, Administrative Licensing Technician
Tiffany Wythe, AAG, Committee Advisor

Having noted a quorum, Mr. Flinn called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Following Committee review, Mr. McNeill approved the minutes of April 20, 2017, as written. Mr. Doran seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

BRET GUNTHER appeared in support of his application for Physician Assistant licensure.

*Ms. Ijams **RECUSED** and left the meeting. She did not participate in any discussion or vote.

Ms. Mitchell advised the Committee that the application is complete and Mr. Gunther is appearing pursuant to a request of Board Secretary. Mr. Gunther stated that first, and most importantly, he wanted the Committee to know that since his graduation he has continued to take responsibility for his mistakes through counseling and outside assistance from his pastor. Also,

in addition to accepting full responsibility, he went to each of the professors' offices and apologized one-on-one and in person.

Mr. Gunther stated he began the Physician Assistant program in June of 2014 and finished in February of 2017 after 32 months. It is a 30-month program and the applicant explained that he lost his mother and wife within a few months of each other during that time. On an examination, there were multiple loss of focus incidences recorded. Upon questioning by the Committee, Mr. Gunther stated he was using an Apple computer, but denies "screenshotting" the exam.

He also had difficulty with the OBGYN SHELF exam. He had difficulty throughout the rotation because he was preoccupied with end-of-life issues regarding his wife. He went through remediation and passed the OBGYN SHELF exam.

There was also an issue with missing equipment from the weight room which applicant admitted taking, but returned when he was asked about it. He states that these issues were all as a result of his wife's illness, his mother's illness, generalized anxiousness and test anxiety.

The Committee stated it takes loss of focus incidences during testing very seriously. Mr. Gunther advised there had been no cheating on any other exam during his entire time in the PA program. Applicant stated again that he cannot express how devastated and sorry he is about the mistake he made. He has secured a job in Tulsa in a psychiatry department and asked respectfully that he be allowed to practice without an agreement or any restrictions. Following Committee discussion, Mr. McNeill moved to approve the applicant for Physician Assistant licensure. Mr. Doran seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

*Ms. Ijams returned to the meeting

As the Committee began to review applications for licensure, Mr. Kelsey reminded everyone that if an application is granted pending completion of the file and information that raises a red flag is received, the license will not automatically be granted, but that information will be provided to Board Secretary for review.

Mr. McNeill moved to approve the incomplete applications for Physician Assistant pending completion of the file. Ms. Gillispie seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**THOMPSON, SHAWN MICHAEL
POWELL, JENNIFER MARIE
HALE, KAYLA
EPPLER, ALEXANDRA DELPHINE
LOEFFLER, CATHERINE M
PIERCE, STACIE LYNN
CLARK, ANDREW THOMAS
HUDSON, ANTONIA**

**TRUONG, MELISSA MINH NGUYET
PARTRIDGE, AMANDA JUSTINE
HART, VANESSA JO
SHRESTHA, ANJULI
GARRISON, RACHEL ELIZABETH
BLACKBURN, ELIZABETH MORGAN
MORGAN, JASON**

Mr. McNeill moved to recommend approval of the complete applications of **RAQUEL FIORENTINO** and **JOHN ERIC MELLOTT** for reinstatement of Physician Assistant licensure. Ms. Gillispie seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. McNeill moved to recommend approval of the complete applications of **ADRIAN NICOLE HENSLEY** and **SARAH JANE EITRHEIM** for Physician Assistant licensure. Ms. Gillispie seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Mr. Sharp moved to approve the PA1 Additional List. Mr. Doran seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. (*Attachment #1*)

Mr. Doran moved to approve the PA7 Transfer List. Ms. Ijams seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. (*Attachment #2*)

Next, a discussion was led by Mr. Flinn regarding the following question: Do the current rules contain language sufficient to allow definition of full-time versus part-time working arrangements for physicians supervising four (4) Physician Assistants (PAs) at one time? The current rule was read and it states, "A supervising physician shall not serve as the supervising physician for more than four (4) physician assistants practicing at any one time." [*See: Okla. Admin. Code. 435-15-3-13(c)(1).*] Mr. Kelsey advised, "It says four and that's four full-time. There is no discrepancy."

It was the Committee's belief that the current rule should be interpreted such that a physician is allowed to supervise an "indefinite" number of PAs, but there may not be more than four (4) PAs "practicing," *i.e., on-shift*, at the same time.

Ms. Mitchell stated that, as the regulating body, it would be impossible to track how many PAs were actually "practicing" at one time.

Mr. Kelsey indicated that upon re-reading the rule and listening to the discussion of the Committee, the rule does appear to be open-ended and he tended to agree with the Committee's interpretation.

Then a discussion was led by Mr. McNeill to clarify the requirements for a physician's signature of Schedule II medication. Mr. McNeill advised that it is interpreted by the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics as well as the Medical Board that if an established patient is coming in, for example, next Wednesday for a recheck and refill on medications and the PA will see that patient, that the physician may write a prescription for a Schedule II drug to be picked up by the patient at the time of his/her appointment. It is not a blank nor a pre-signed prescription and this has been viewed as acceptable. Mr. Kelsey stated that is correct.

Mr. Kelsey went on to say that all information on the prescription must be completed on the day the doctor writes the script, and as long as it is within 30 days of the prescription date, then it is allowable. Also, the established patient does not need to be seen in order to pick up or refill the prescription.

Mr. Kelsey further advised that he is working on clarifying language for Schedule II prescriptions and will put together FAQs.

Barbara Smith provided information for informational purposes only to the Committee which had been previously presented to the Medical Board by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants on July 20, 2017. (*Attachment #3*)

Reji Varghese provided information on a new electronic service, Gov.delivery. It is free of charge to all committee members, licensees, and the general public. Mr. Varghese walked the

committee through the setup process and advised that the governor's office and tourism office use this service also. This program will unify all of the information coming from the Medical Board. Some of the information that can now be sent directly to your inbox are agendas, minutes, accounts receivable and newsletters depending upon your registration and the information requested. This platform has enhanced security and emails or cell phone numbers from our licensees will not be made public. The service is free of charge. *(Attachment #4)*

There being no further business, Mr. Flinn adjourned the meeting. The time was 4:16 p.m.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 7/27/17

INCOMPLETE

PA 2804 THOMPSON, SHAWN MICHAEL
PA 2805 POWELL, JENNIFER MARIE
PA 2806 HALE, KAYLA
PA 2807 EPPLER, ALEXANDRA DELPHINE
PA 2808 LOEFFLER, CATHERINE MACKENZIE
PA 2809 PIERCE, STACIE LYNN
PA 2810 CLARK, ANDREW THOMAS
PA 2811 HUDSON, ANTONIA
PA 2812 TRUONG, MELISSA MINH NGUYET
PA 2813 PARTRIDGE, AMANDA JUSTINE
PA 2814 HART, VANESSA JO
PA 2815 SHRESTHA, ANJULI
PA 2816 GARRISON, RACHEL ELIZABETH
PA 2817 BLACKBURN, ELIZABETH MORGAN
PA 2818 MORGAN, JASON

REINSTATEMENT COMPLETE

PA 2156 FIORENTINO, RAQUEL
PA 566 MELLOTT, JOHN ERIC

COMPLETE

PA 2802 HENSLEY, ADRIAN NICOLE
PA 2803 EITRHEIM, SARAH ANNE

PA1 ADDITIONAL LIST - 7/28/17

TYPE	#	NAME	SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN
PA	45	BUTZIRUS, GORDON REED	JON MAXWELL, DO 2104
PA	318	GRAY, PETER LYNN	CRAIG ABBOTT, MD 17800
PA	334	POWERS, CHARLES MICHAEL	KEVIN GORDON, DO 4127
PA	431	MOSS, BONNIE D	MARTY LOFGREN, MD 25993
PA	464	A'BELLE, N DEVONNA	AZHAR SHAKEEL, MD 25016
PA	477	TAYLOR, MARILYN SUE	ANDREAS REVELIS, MD 21829
PA	566	MELLOTT, JOHN ERIC	BRIAN SEATON, MD 20579
PA	619	OWENS, ELMER GARI	GARLANDA PARKER, MD 16134
PA	674	WILLIAMS, FRANK RUSSEL	SAM MUSALLAM, MD 11815
PA	765	GRESHAM, THOMAS JEROME	JILL WENGER, MD 20402
PA	766	GRECO, AMY COHLMIA	TU BUI, MD 29909
PA	807	BIVENS, JEFFREY DON	KARI HOOPER, MD 31764
PA	844	PALMER, MARCIA RASCOE	TIMOTHY VAVRICKA, MD 24483
PA	861	BERTUS, MATTHEW STEVEN	DATHAN JAY, MD 23512
PA	917	CUMMINGS, DEANNA JOHNSTON	AKIN OGUNDIPE, MD 18134
PA	924	PHILLIPS, ROB MCGREGOR	BENJAMIN FORE, DO 2273
PA	969	MARTINDALE, STEPHANIE RUTH	JOSEPH BROOME, MD 23006
PA	1023	GILCREST, KELLY ANN	MICHAEL SOUTER DO 3906
PA	1061	HENDERSON, SARAH KATHERINE	JEFFREY JONES, DO 2461
PA	1068	BENTON, MICHAEL JON	BRENT BROWN, MD 15270
PA	1095	MITCHELL, ANDREA DIANE	JAMES CAMPBELL, DO 1880
PA	1099	WELLS, MARK LEE	ANGELIQUE BARRETO, MD 22192
PA	1189	PAYNE, KATHERINE J	LEE RITTENHOUSE, MD 12365
PA	1237	ATWOOD, PEGGY S	WELLIE ADLAON, MD 21084
PA	1327	PIPKINS, LESLEY KATHRYN	CHRIS HANCOCK, DO 5221
PA	1421	BIRCH, JENNIFER JOY	SHYVONNE BROOKE, MD 27895
PA	1430	CHRISTIAN, MICHAL GERALYN	RACHEL DALTHORP, MD 27766
PA	1536	TOUGAS, BERNARD	DARIO ESPINA MD 14997
PA	1540	OWEN, MAX EDWARD	NATHAN REUSSER, DO4266
PA	1699	MILLER, TERESA BETH	EVELYN LORENTS, MD 29228
PA	1701	ARMS, TODD DAVID	SYLVIA GRAY, MD 30601
PA	1710	NOEL, STEPHANIE MARIE	SEAN TUCKER, MD 27982
PA	1847	HENSLEY, CRYSTAL JONES	JEFFREY JOHNSON, MD 24910
PA	1938	BARNETT, PETER MICHAEL	VIVIAN HASBROOK, MD 18945
PA	1972	HART, JESSE STEVEN	JOHN DAVID WALSH, MD 22850
PA	1993	ENYART, SARA JEAN	MICHELLE KELLEY, MD 20270
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PA	2261	TYSZKO, SARAH LYNN	COURTNEY RANALLO, MD 29796
PA	2371	MCCAULEY-YOUNG, ANGELA	ARIEL ERIK SANTOS LUFKIN, MD 30231
PA	2373	ANDERSON, KERI A	JEFFREY SHUART, MD 18498
PA	2421	TOMLIN, RACHEL BREANNE	ANDREW BARSALOUX, MD 20771
PA	2552	MYCHAK, NATHAN ZACHARY	BRETT CAUTHEN, MD 25197
PA	2595	CHRISTENSEN, KELLI JEAN	GLENN LYTLE, MD 16019
PA	2637	BEAVER, KEVIN EDWIN	JAMES FITZGERALD, DO 3949
PA	2644	BUCKLEY, RILEY MARIE	JONATHAN BUSHMAN, DO 5032
PA	2680	VISCARRA, SARAH ELIZABETH	BRETT BARNES, MD 32255
PA	2699	THOMAS, LINDSEY CHALEE	STEVEN MILLER, MD 26034
PA	2705	LE, HUY JAMES D	STERLING RIGGS, MD 27193
PA	2732	RAMEY, MORGAN BROOKE	ROXIE ALBRECHT, MD 22548
PA	2733	GOLLAHALLI, TONYA LYNETTE	GEORGE TARDIBONO, MD 19089

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PA	2734	POTTER, KARON KELLY	CYNTHIA BRENNAN, MD 14390
PA	2738	BROWN, JACOB C.	JOHN WALSH, MD 22850
PA	2767	PARK, ELIZABETH CHRISTINE	KARA BEAIR BUTLER, DO 5195
PA	2780	BLUE, JEFFREY KENNETH	CODY MCCORKLE, MD 31196
PA	2787	DUNNING, JENNIFER KAY	RACHEL DALTHORP, MD 27766
PA	2788	MOTZ, JENNIFER ANN	ADRYAN KADIVAR, MD 24162
PA	2789	WALTON, ELIZABETH BAIRD	FRANK GAFFNEY, MD 23819
PA	2790	ROBINSON, SARAH TYNDALL	DANIEL MACKAY, MD 32692
PA	2791	SHUMWAY, AMANDA LYNN	DAVID DUVALL, MD 31273
PA	2792	HERNANDEZ, MEYLING	DAVID MINOR, MD 14933
PA	2800	DROESSLER, SANDRA KAY	GEORGE COHLMIA, MD 15023
PA	2802	HENSLEY, ADRIAN NICOLE	FRANK SCHMIDT, MD 28040

PA7 TRANSFER LIST - 7/28/17

TYPE	#	NAME	SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN
PA	1047	BATTOE, MARY KAY	STEVEN FEHER, MD 23042
PA	1617	BENISH, RANDY E	ROBERT HENDERSON, MD 16816
PA	806	BIVENS, ELIZABETH EDITH	LENARD PHILLIPS, DO 3813
PA	1355	BOLTON, SHARON P	CRAIG CARSON, MD 17781
PA	195	BULLARD, ROBERT LEE	BRETTY GRAY, MD 19493
PA	2459	BUTTS, ALLYSON TAYLOR	AMANDA THEYS-DOROUGH, DO 5152
PA	2496	CHAMBERS, JILLIAN	DOUGLAS RIDDLE, MD 23957
PA	1352	CHEEK, DOUGLAS EDWARD	DOUGLAS ROWLES, MD 30905
PA	1278	CHERRY, RONDA LYNN	ANDREW KELLY, MD 30014
PA	1243	DAVIS, AMBER LYNN	MONIKA DURSKA-KELLER MD 29601
PA	564	DICINTIO, ROBERT CHARLES	KRISTIN MILLER, MD 31454
PA	1993	ENYART, SARA JEAN	MICHELLE KELLEY, MD 20270
PA	2309	FITE, NATHAN WAYNE	THEODORE WARE, DO 3516
PA	2291	FORD, KELLEY LEE	KATHRYN HUGHES, DO 5156
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PA	1326	GARCIA, ARNULFO ALEXANDER	RAKESH SHRIVASTAVA, MD 27981
PA	499	GORDON, AMY LYNN	JEFFREY GRANTHAM, MD 29024
PA	1619	GORTON, JORGE ALLEN	KEVIN PENWELL, DO 3873
PA	1670	GRAHAM, BRIAN	BRIAN CHALKIN, DO 3711
PA	800	GREEN, PHIL JAMES	TAMMY HICKS (JARVIS), DO 3915
PA	763	HABBen, LEE ANN	HENRY RAMIREZ, MD 274298
PA	2305	HART, GORDON	BRIAN CAFARO, MD 25083
PA	1972	HART, JESSE STEVEN	SAMEER ZAFAR, MD 27186
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PA	660	HOLDER, DEBORAH DEE	RAKESH SHRIASTAVA, MD 27981
PA	2285	HOSKINS, JOSEPH DAVON MARKEI	LANCE SMITH, MD 27090
PA	705	HUGHES, AMY KATHLEEN	AUDRALAN FOX, MD25086
PA	701	KNIGHT, NATALEE NICOLE	ZANE HARVEY, MD 23552
PA	1866	KRUEGER, ERIN M	DAVID VANHOOSER, MD 14368
PA	2700	LEE, PHOAY LUAN	SANDRA GILLILAND, MD 23991
PA	1760	MADDUX, DAVID GARY	MARK SCHWARTZ, DO 5116
PA	638	MAXWELL, KEVIN JAY	PAUL JOHNSON, MD 14767
PA	2420	MURPHY, DANIELLE DUTCHER	DAVID LIFF, MD 31754
PA	1638	NGUYEN, NHANHIEN DUC	RAKESH SHRIVASTAVA, MD 27981
PA	1790	O'DONNELL, ERIN LEA	PATRICK GARRISON, MD 23948
PA	2153	PALMORE JR, JOHN ROBERT	DAVID MALONE, MD 19416
PA	1408	PARKER, KRISTI MICHELLE	GREGORY JIA, MD 19082
PA	1784	PARR, SARA MICHELLE	DUSTAN BUCKLEY, MD18504
PA	740	PHILLIPS, JEFFREY DON	SAMANTHA JACKSON, MD 19876
PA	1725	RASMUSSEN, KEITH ALEX	KRISTIN MILLER, MD 31454
PA	1489	REINHARDT, LAURA ALLISON	MICHAEL GODDARD, MD 10925
PA	2258	SILER, JESSI MARIE	KEVIN PENWELL, DO 3873
PA	1587	SIMON, MINDY KAY	JOSEPH BLOUGH, MD 19535
PA	2228	SMITH, TARYN ALISE	STEPHANIE PICKETT, MD 29015
PA	2707	SPROTT, KELLEIGH DEEANN	AJIT THARAKAN, MD 32742
PA	693	TANNER, ANITA LOUISE	LEE RITTENHOUSE, MD 12365
PA	2625	TATUM, TAYLOR ELAINE	GREGORY HILL, DO 3165
PA	1892	TOFT, TRACY JANE	LEE RITTENHOUSE, MD 12365
PA	2422	WHITE, NATHAN BOYD	ANDREW KELLY, MD 30014
PA	1400	WROBLESKI, ANGELA MARIE	EDWARD FORD, MD 28432
PA	2379	YOUNG, ROBERT RANDELL	SAMEER ZAFAR, MD 27186