

MINUTES  
COUNCIL ON PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS  
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August 14, 2008

Roll Call: 3:50 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Deborah Gerbert, PA-C, Chair  
H. Frank Farmer, M.D., Vice-Chair  
Robert Cline, M.D.  
Steven Rosenberg, M.D.  
Ronald Burns, D.O.

**Staff Present:**

Crystal Sanford, Program Operations Administrator  
Chandra Prine, Program Operations Administrator

**BOARD COUNSEL:**

Ed Tellechea, J.D., Senior Assistant Attorney General  
Donna McNulty, J.D., Assistant Attorney General  
Nancy Murphy, Paralegal, Office of the Attorney General

**Tab 1 - Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The Council recommends approval of the minutes for the meeting held April 3, 2008.

**TAB 2: Personal Appearances**

**A. Thomas Patrick Timothy** – Petition for Variance or Waiver of Rule 64B8-0.003(1), F.A.C. / Unable to Provide Letters of Recommendation

The applicant was present and sworn by the Chair. After discussion, Dr. Farmer made a motion to approve the issuance of the license with the condition that the applicant practices for six months under direct supervision. The Chair may grant approval is of the practice plan and upon completion of the supervision, applicant is to reappear before the Council. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 5/0.

**ACTION** Council approved the applicant for licensure with the condition that the applicant practices for six months under direct supervision. The Chair may grant approval of the practice plan and upon completion of the supervision applicant is to reappear before the Counsel.

**B. Scott Justin Piatt** – Affirmative Answer to Application, Question #24, and determination of acceptable letters of recommendation.

The applicant was present and sworn by the Chair. After discussion, the Dr. Farmer made a motion to approve the issuance of the license. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 5/0.

**ACTION:** the Council approved the applicant for licensure.

**C. Jordan Mark Chappel** – Affirmative Answers to Application, Questions #26 and #36.

The applicant was present and sworn by the Chair. After discussion, the Dr. Farmer made a motion to approve the issuance of the license. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 5/0.

**ACTION:** The Council voted to approve the applicant for licensure.

**TAB 3: Ratification of Full Licensees**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the licensure following list, which carried 5/0.

1. Anthony Lee Alexander
2. Katherine Elizabeth Armstrong
3. David Carl Autry
4. Karina Ivon Auza de Rynvine
5. Debra L. Babcock
6. Kirk Andrew Barrett
7. Kathryn Kristine Benson
8. Daniel Allan Bentley
9. Tracy Ann Berggren
10. Olin Patrick Callaghan
11. David Vonzell Cary
12. Jason Stefan Chan
13. Doris Marie Chance
14. Sundeep Chhabra
15. Nicolas Charles Condrey
16. Melissa Cornes
17. Aneta Dadasheva
18. Julie Katherine Day
19. Karoline Casey Dempsey
20. Janeen Louise des Anges
21. Christina Dixon
22. Brianne Irene Dobson
23. Ryan Patrick Doggett
24. Sarah E. Dooley
25. Carlisa Aguda Doria
26. Allenscott William Eacker
27. Shammi Emmanuel
28. Mary LeBlanc Feagans
29. Sharon Lee Frith
30. Barbara Jean Graf
31. Ha Thu Vo Green
32. Kristin Marie Green
33. Kelly Lee Ann Hartley
34. Theresa Hernandez
35. Lucine Humes
36. AnnaMargaret Chauncey Jazayeri
37. Douglas Robert Johnson
38. Sherri Anne Jubay
39. Frances Angela Kachele
40. Angela Murray Koby
41. Ian Paul Krouson
42. Jennifer Lea Lacer
43. Anthony Randall Lambert
44. Chadde S. Levy
45. Joshua Brian Massey
46. Mary Ellen Mathe
47. Janet Faith McCabe
48. Christina Medrano
49. Marie-Rose Severe Michel
50. Jaclyn Michelle Miller

51. Caleb David Miner
52. Angelina Marie Miseno-Callaghan
53. George Patrick Mitchell, III
54. Sandra Elise Montie
55. Christina Kay Myers
56. Timothy Trung Duc Nguyen
57. Vandana Ambaram Patel
58. Jackeline Placencia
59. Mary Elizabeth Prouty
60. Gladys Vanessa Rodriguez Caraballo
61. Charles Thomas Rolfes
62. Stephen Michael Sanders, Jr.
63. Ingrid Daniela Schlechter-Keenan
64. Kristin Marie Schmidt
65. Scott Benjamin Shepard
66. Christina Lea Hartman Sigler
67. Adina A. Stancik
68. Melanie Ann Stover
69. Denis Daniel Turgeon
70. Aaron Michael Tyree
71. Judy Villalobos-Torreblanca
72. Richard Adam Waggoner
73. Tara Shannon Wall
74. Roderick Henry White
75. Katherine Ann Wilson
76. Frank Robert Wolf
77. Barbara Jean Yearty
78. Rami Samir Zaki

**ACTION:** the Council approved the list of applicants for licensure.

**TAB 4: Ratification of Temporary Licensees**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the licensure list, which carried 5/0

1. Stacey Lee Amari
2. Christina Lynn Anderson
3. Jenny Maria Aogle
4. Kristina Renee Barton
5. Carolyn Alexis Bird
6. Ashley Eran Blazina
7. Yaneli Cuesta
8. Cory Stephen Davenport
9. Allen Michael Diaz
10. Scott Winfield Blow
11. Ashley Ann Courtney
12. Lindzee Elizabeth Folgate
13. Yolanda Theresa Reid Freeman
14. Joshua Thomas Gilliam
15. Charissa Dawn Gingerich
16. Stefanie S. Gold
17. Heather Melissa Goodson
18. Charles Isaac Hauk
19. Michael Aaron Hauk

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20. Amber Christine Jones
21. Aimee Joann Kalb
22. Christa Lynn Kufel
23. Anne Lorraine Ladd
24. Kelley Frances Lee
25. Sharon Renee Lettsome
26. Kelsie Elisha MacMillan
27. Randi Marie Marmalich
28. Rene Michele Mathis
29. Michele Lynn Mignone
30. Brandy Elizabeth Nichols
31. Meredith Evin Pike
32. Kristine Claire Poyner
33. Katey Mae Reed
34. Jessica Jeannette Rocha Gonzalez
35. Kristin Ingrid Rygg
36. Daysi Liliana Shamy
37. Tehsin Fatima Siddiqui
38. Matthew William Sprunt
39. Justin Ralph Stearns
40. Bryan Keith Stewart
41. Melanie Bronson Todd
42. Adriane Paige Thorpe
43. Christina Ruth Wells

**ACTION:** the Council voted to approve the list of applicants for licensure.

**TAB 5: Ratification of Upgraded Temporary Licensees to Full Licensees**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the licensure list, which carried 5/0

1. Stacey Lee Amari
2. Kristina Renee Barton
3. Carolyn Alexis Bird
4. Ashley Eran Blazina
5. Heather Joyce Chisholm
6. Ashley Ann Courtney
7. Kimberly Rose Cray
8. Cory Stephen Davenport
9. Hilene Gomes De Amorim
10. Allen Michael Diaz
11. Mark Martin Fortney
12. Joshua Thomas Gilliam
13. Charissa Dawn Gingerich
14. Stefanie S. Gold
15. Aimee Joann Kalb
16. Christa Lynn Kufel
17. Oliver Tieh-Shun Lee
18. Kelsie Elisha MacMillan
19. Rene Michele Mathis
20. Karen Elaine Mayes
21. Michele Lynn Mignone
22. Meredith Evin Pike
23. Mauricio Polanco
24. Katey Mae Reed

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25. Jessica Jeannette Rocha Gonzalez
26. Tehsin Fatima Siddiqui
27. Matthew William Sprunt
28. Justin Ralph Stearns
29. Bryan Keith Stewart
30. Melanie Bronson Todd
31. Jennifer Sheri Tulman

**ACTION:** the Council voted to approve the list of applicants for licensure.

**Council Business:**

**TAB 6: House Bill 989 regarding Chapter 458.347(4)(f)1. Performance of Physician Assistants/ Formulary – Review for Possible Rule Making**

HB 989, passed during the 2008 Legislative Session, allows the Council to modify the formulary to remove antipsychotics and all parenteral preparations from the Formulary.

Eric Smith, President of the Florida Academy of Physician Assistants (FAPA) addressed the Council and explained the change increases the delegatory authority of the supervising physician. He said the supervising physician would still have to delegate authority to the PA to prescribe these drugs.

Juhan Mixon, also representing FAPA, explained this change places PA's more in line with Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioners who already have the authority to prescribe these medications. The Council discussed the Council hold a rule workshop to include physicians, PA's, Florida Medical Association, Florida Psychiatric Society, Dr. Pomm and the Florida Osteopathic Medical Association. Mr. Mixon opined that he did not believe this change would have an economic impact on small business; instead he believes this would provide a savings. He also suggested the Council have the reference book on drug facts book available when considering any changes to the rule. Mr. Mixon stated he would send a letter to the Board requesting a rule workshop once he has contacted some physicians who can attend and participate.

**Action taken:** pending information of available scheduling dates for workshop.

**TAB 7: Discussion on Required Letters of Recommendation**

Staff raised the issue of letters of recommendations required for PA licensure which may include fear of being fired by he current employer. Ms. Gerbert explained that some PA's are reluctant to ask their current supervising physician for a letter of recommendation.

The Committee suggested that the letter could come from a past or current supervisor and also suggested that the letter could come from any supervisor within the past five (5) years.

A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to recommend staff develop suggestions for the letters of reference and bring those back to the next meeting for consideration.

**Action taken:** staff to develop suggestions for the letters of reference and schedule for next meeting.

**TAB 8: Application for Extension of Temporary Licensure, FYI – No Action Needed**

This matter was presented as information only.

**Action taken:** no action necessary

**TAB 9: Physician Assistants Authority to Baker Act a Patient – Information Only**

Mr. Mixon advised that the Department of Children and Families had agreed to change their Baker Act form to include a PA's signature.

**Action taken:** no action necessary

**TAB 10: Request for Certification/Verification of All Healthcare Related License**

Ms. Prine asked the Council if they wanted her to verify every professional license an applicant lists on his/her application. She stated she received an application from a PA who was an EMT at one time; however, he was unable to verify that information.

After discussion, the Council advised that staff did not need to verify every professional license, only those where the applicant listed a positive response to the question regarding disciplinary action on a professional license. Staff was directed to verify those licenses.

**Action taken:** staff is not to verify every professional license; staff is to verify a professional license if disciplinary action has been taken on said license

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.