

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

May 24-27, 2000

**1201 Front Street, Suite 100
Raleigh, North Carolina**

Minutes of the Open Sessions of the North Carolina Medical Board Meeting May 24-27, 2000.

The May 24-27, 2000, meeting of the North Carolina Medical Board was held at the Board's Office, 1201 Front Street, Suite 100, Raleigh, NC 27609. The meeting was called to order at 5:17 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, 2000, by Wayne W. VonSeggen, PA-C, President. Board members in attendance were: Elizabeth P. Kanof, MD, Vice President; Walter J. Pories, MD, Secretary/Treasurer; Kenneth H. Chambers, MD; John T. Dees, MD; John W. Foust, MD; Hector H. Henry, II, MD; Stephen M. Herring, MD; Mr. Paul Saperstein; Mr. Aloysius P. Walsh; and Ms. Martha K. Walston. Absent was George C. Barrett, MD.

Staff members present were: Mr. Andrew W. Watry, Executive Director; Ms. Helen Diane Meelheim, Assistant Executive Director; Mr. James A. Wilson, Board Attorney; Mr. R. David Henderson, Board Attorney; Mr. William H. Breeze, Jr., Board Attorney; Ms. Wanda Long, Legal Assistant; Lynne Edwards, Legal Assistant; Mr. John W. Jargstorf, Investigative Director; Mr. Don R. Pittman, Investigative Field Supervisor; Mr. Edmond Kirby-Smith, Investigator; Mr. Dale E. Lear, Investigator; Ms. Donna Mahony, Investigator; Mr. Fred Tucker, Investigator; Mrs. Therese Dembroski, Investigator; Ms. Barbara Brame, Investigator; Ms. Edith Moore, Investigator; Mrs. Jenny Olmstead, Senior Investigative Coordinator; Ms. Michelle Lee, Investigative Coordinator/Malpractice Coordinator; Ms. Myriam Hopson, Investigative Coordinator; Mr. Dale Breaden, Director of Communications and Public Affairs; Ms. Shannon Kingston, Public Affairs Assistant; Mrs. Joy D. Cooke, Licensing Director; Mr. Jeff A. Peake, Licensing Assistant; Ms. Erin Gough, PA/NP Coordinator; Mr. James Campbell, Licensing Assistant; Tammy O'Hare, Licensing Assistant; Mrs. Janice Fowler, Operations Assistant; Ms. Wendy Barden, Receptionist; Mr. Peter Celentano, Controller; Ms. Sonya Darnell, Operations Assistant; Ms. Ann Z. Norris, Verification Secretary; Gary M. Townsend, MD, JD, Medical Coordinator (May 26 only); Ms. Judie Clark, Complaint Department Director; Mrs. Sharon Squibb-Denslow, Complaint Department Assistant; Ms. Sherry Hyder, Complaint Department Assistant; Mr. Jeffery T. Denton, Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary; Mr. Scott A. Clark, Operations Assistant; Ms. Deborah Aycocock, Operations Assistant (Temp.) and Ms. Rebecca L. Manning, Information Specialist.

MISCELLANEOUS

Presidential Remarks

Mr. VonSeggen commenced this meeting by reading the North Carolina Board of Ethics "ethics awareness and conflict of interest reminder." He announced that he is writing an article for the *Forum* regarding "free-hand medicine" and invited members of the Board to bring items to the table that were of concern. Mr. VonSeggen commended Mr. Watry and Ms. Meelheim for doing an excellent job in helping to rapidly fill the Medical Coordinator position. He also thanked Dr. Dees and Dr. Kanof for filling-in on complaints and malpractice during the absence of a Medical Coordinator.

Research Task Force on Postgraduate Training Requirements; Establishment of

Mr. VonSeggen appointed the Research Task Force on Postgraduate Training Requirements for Physicians in North Carolina. During the meeting with the medical school deans in March 2000, Dean Hallock recommended this idea to develop some objective evaluation of the needs and realities and to cause a move forward based on good information. The charge(s) and composition of the task force are as follows:

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Charge:

- (1) To assess needs and level of training for independent medical practice by physicians in the current medical arena.
- (2) To study impact of various changes recommended by the Federation of State Medical Boards (1998 Special Committee on Uniform Standards and Procedures) (completion of PGY3 for full and unrestricted licensure)
 - including effects on recruitment of residents to North Carolina residencies
 - work force issues with local hospitals
- (3) To evaluate differences between U.S. and Canadian PGT and other countries' PGT (1 year vs 3 years).
- (4) To provide an initial report to the North Carolina Medical Board by November 2000, a summary of recommendations.

Composition of Task Force: (Initial work groups may be selected by the chair to plan and direct the work focus.)

Walter Pories, MD, Chair
Hector Henry, MD, Board Member, North Carolina Medical Board
Stephen Herring, MD, Board Member, North Carolina Medical Board
Elizabeth Kanof, MD, Vice President, North Carolina Medical Board
Andrew Watry, Executive Director, North Carolina Medical Board

Medical School Deans (or their representatives):

Gene Orringer, MD, University of North Carolina School of Medicine
James A. Hallock, MD, Dean, East Carolina University School of Medicine
James N. Thompson, MD, Dean, Wake Forest University School of Medicine
Russ Kaufman, MD, Duke University School of Medicine

Representatives of Community-Based Residency Programs
Representatives of AHEC's
Representatives of North Carolina Medical Society
Representatives of Cecil G. Sheps Center

Alan S. Hirsch, Special Deputy Attorney General; A Meeting With

Mr. Hirsch is in charge of the Consumer Protection Division. He was invited to discuss issues of mutual concern. Mr. Hirsch was accompanied by Ms. Vandana Shaw, Assistant Attorney General and Michelle McPherson, Assistant Attorney General, who are part of the Healthcare Team.

Mr. VonSeggen stated that the Medical Board was unimpressed by the lack of aggressiveness in pursuing the cases of the unlicensed practice of medicine that is reported to the Attorney General's Office and asked "how is it that cockfighting is a felony and practicing medicine without a license is not?"

Mr. Hirsch explained that the Attorney General's role has no criminal authority and that it is covered under local jurisdictions. The district attorneys in the local district have sole authority for prosecution. "This is North Carolina law." He continued that this comes from an early North Carolina resistance to centralized power. North Carolina has a very decentralized set of rules, unlike many other states. County commissioners likewise have local authority and do not report to a higher power (as in the case of hospital acquisitions). The Attorney

General looks at the competitive industry in relation to managed care with an eye on “are they getting what they pay for.” Mr. Mike Easley, Attorney General, is chair of the national organization. “Amazing what a letter on Attorney General letterhead will do.”

Dr. Henry asked who makes decisions when the HMO HQ is out-of-state? Mr. Hirsch stated “by North Carolina Law, anyone who denies a treatment must be a registered doctor in North Carolina.” Dr. Henry continued with several scenarios of denial of procedures, etc., where he was requested to send a letter to reconsider certification of a procedures (non-emergency, but urgent), and wait for a letter back with approval or denial. He is not sure physicians know where to turn. To him, it seems that certifications, pre-certifications and authorizations seem to be the main problem. Mr. Hirsch stated he had a consumer specialist who handles these type of things. He gave a scenario of a woman with a varicose vein that was debilitating and had no action for six months. “One call from his office to the insurance company took care of it.”

Dr. Pories asked about antitrust laws with regards to negotiations on managed care physician contracts. Mr. Hirsch explained, it is illegal for competitors to get together and set the bidding prices. Federal antitrust applies to physicians as well. They are not supposed to get together and set prices. This was the days before managed care. Now we have a handful of gigantic managed care organizations setting the prices. He stated there are more unanticipated problems in managed care than ever.

Dr. Pories stated that frustration is alternative medicine providers praying on the public, and there is no evidence that they do work. How does the Board help separate those that serve from those that are quacks? Mr. Hirsch stated there are too many of these type of cases.

Mr. VonSeggen asked “with cyber-prescribing and bidding for surgeons how can the Medical Board help the patient?” Mr. Hirsch declared “by providing information.”

Dale Lear, Board Investigator; Retirement of

It was announced that Mr. Dale Lear was retiring and that this would be his last Full Board Meeting.

Motion: (HH, WP) A motion passed commending Mr. Dale Lear for his many years of service to the North Carolina Medical Board.

Hearing Process

Motion: (EK, MW) A motion passed to rescind the request for staff to present pros and cons of hearings to be turned over to an administrative law judge but instead have staff present other avenues of expediting the hearing process.

Medical Coordinator: Appointment of

Mr. Watry announced the appointment of Gary M. Townsend, MD, JD, as the new Medical Coordinator for the North Carolina Medical Board. Dr. Townsend will begin working for the Board full time September 2000.

Clinical Pharmacist Practitioner Task Force

Dr. Foust reported that the task force had hoped this meeting on Wednesday, May 24th, would be the final meeting; however, some additional changes were recommended to be made to the draft which will be incorporated in the next two weeks, redistributed, and then presented for an adoption decision.

New Board Member – Aloysius P. Walsh

Mr. VonSeggen announced the official swearing-in of Aloysius P. Walsh as a new North Carolina Medical Board Member. Mr. Walsh will complete the unexpired term of Ms. Felicia Washington Mauney.

Board Meeting Dates

Motion: (WP, JD) A motion passed to approve the following Board and Committee Meeting dates for the years 2002 and 2003.

January 23-26, 2002	January 22-25, 2003
February 20, 21, 2002	February 19, 20, 2003
March 20-23, 2002	March 19-22, 2003
April 17, 18, 2002	April 23, 24, 2003
May 15-18, 2002	May 14-17, 2003
June 19, 20, 2002	June 18, 19, 2003
July 17-20, 2002	July 16-19, 2003
August 21, 22, 2002	August 20, 21, 2003
September 18-21, 2002	September 17-20, 2003
October 16, 17, 2002	October 15, 16, 2003
November 20-23, 2002	November 19-22, 2003
December 18, 19, 2002	December 17, 18, 2003

Motion: (WP, JD) A motion passed to change the March 2001 Board Meeting dates from March 21-24 to March 14-17.

Evaluation of Statement of Economic Interest (Ethics)

In accordance with Section 5.a. of Executive Order No. 127, the following Board Member received a letter from the Board of Ethics citing an actual or potential conflict of interest:

Walsh, Aloysius Patrick: No actual conflict of interest or the potential for conflict of interest.

MINUTE APPROVAL

Motion: A motion passed that the March 15-18, 2000, Board Minutes be approved as amended.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Andrew W. Watry, Executive Director, presented the following information:

- **Office Automation:** We are working on developments in several areas. First, work continues on digitizing of all public records so that they can be readily accessible to the public and staff. We have a temporary hire employee doing this work, Deborah Aycock. She is up the S's, proceeding through the alphabet so we are close to being complete.

We are making arrangements with the bank for the acceptance of credit card numbers for license reregistration. This will have a dramatic impact on throughput for the labor intensive reregistration process. The computer web page for this process is already done, and if you would like to review the test site it may be found at the following address:

<http://renewal.ncmedboard.org>.

We are presently in a design phase for enhancement in the area of processing documents and cases through the legal department. We are working on integration of systems developed in this department with the overall licensing system. The legal department has also developed a component for tracking hours on cases so we have better management information about where we are spending our legal resources. They are now inputting legal man-hours into this system.

- **Regulation in the Area of Outpatient Surgery:** We were tasked by the Policy Committee to identify mechanisms used by other state agencies to regulate outpatient surgery, particularly where anesthesia is administered on an outpatient basis. Jim Wilson, Dale Breaden and I met with Linda McDaniel, Director of the Office of Regulatory Services, Department of Human Resources, for that purpose and we are feeding that information back to the Policy Committee.
- **Staff Development:** We are working on providing a CPR course for staff. So far we have five people interested and we are looking toward a training date in June. We are also evaluating vendors who sell Automated External Defibrillators (AED), considering possible purchase of a unit for this office.

Our investigators, principally through the efforts of John Jargstorf, Don Pittman and Donna Mahony, coordinated a regional conference of the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI) on April 4th. The conference was well attended and our investigators established a leadership role in working with investigators from other jurisdictions. Donna deserves particular credit for putting this conference together.

- **Automated External Defibrillator Legislation Study Committee:** Report given April 19, 2000.
- **Legislation:** Report on MPA revisions given separately.

Other issues of note: I was contacted by a lobbyist for another health care profession concerning our position on perfusionists. You may recall last year an update concerning perfusionists who are seeking occupational regulation. There are only 80 or 90 of them in the State and they work almost exclusively in hospitals. We were asked if there was any objection to having these people come under the regulation of the Medical Board. I expressed opposition to that on your behalf. This is consistent with our position taken last year. This small number of individuals can't support the cost of an occupational regulatory board effectively so it could anticipated they would piggy-back on another regulatory board. In effect, physicians would be subsidizing the cost of licensing perfusionists. These are very competent and well trained people but there is a question about the need for occupational regulation in the first place and I have concerns on your behalf about (a) cost and (b) another distraction from the principal mission of protecting the public by regulating and licensing physicians. A certain amount of overhead would be required from staff and Board Members to manage a regulatory activity in this area which would be of marginal benefit to the public. It would be subsidized from our other operations both in terms of time and money, and it

does not appear to me that benefits would outweigh costs. When we had discussions with the perfusionists last year they had agreed to leave us out of any bill seeking occupational regulation, in effect conceding to seek an independent board. They may have faced the realities of the cost of that effort. There is a licensure bill for perfusionists, Senate Bill 1119. This bill in its current form makes no reference to the Medical Board and comes under the regulation of a "Perfusion Advisory Committee" consisting of four perfusionists and two physicians appointed by the General Assembly and one public member appointed by the Governor. We will keep a watchful eye for legislation in this area. We will of course do a good job if we are tasked to do this by the legislature but we should make your concerns known.

Other bills we are watching which I updated you on last year:

H 1138, Orthopaedic PA's. Sets up a committee under the Board, skirts NCCPA exam for PA's.

H 1153, Retired Physician License. Lowers licensing standard for those treating indigents.

H 1340, Respiratory Care Practice Act. In some states, RCP's come under the Medical Board. Not in present version.

S 349, Ban Partial Birth Abortions. Contains provision for defendant accused of an offense to seek a hearing before the Board on whether the physician's conduct was necessary to save the life of the mother whose life was endangered by a physical disorder, illness or injury.

S 875, Certified Professional Midwives. Sets up new supervisory council, not connected to this Board.

- **Meetings:**

TeleHealth Forum (separate report sent to Board Members)

NADDI and AED (both reported above)

Sheps Center Concerning Minority Physician Distribution in North Carolina

Third Year UNC Students.

Board Members were requested to contact Mr. Watry concerning any input they may have concerning the following upcoming meetings.

End-of-Life Forum – We are meeting with the exec's of the Pharmacy and Nursing Board on a regular basis and one issue is planning for a joint meeting of all boards.

Meeting with DHR to followup on issues of outpatient surgery regulation.

Meeting with the Sheps Center to discuss data elements that we collect on their behalf and possible mechanisms for Improved automation.

Meeting with the FSMB Board and meeting, along with your president, with the Program Committee of the FSMB for next annual meeting. Please give Mr. VonSeggen or me any commentary you may have about the program.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS/COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM REPORT

Dale Breaden, Communications Director, presented the following information:

Forum

The first number of the *Forum* for 2000 appeared in early April. It featured, among other things, an article by W. Stuart Tucker, Jr, MD, on the value of house calls, a piece by Mrs Walston about her service on the Board, the first of a series of pieces on the medical service of the North Carolina National Guard in Moldova, a note on the mutual recognition licensing system now being implemented in stages by nursing, a letter to the editor from a physician in the NCPHP, a review by Dr Barrett of *An Ethics Casebook for Hospitals*, and excellent columns by Mr VonSeggen and Mr Watry.

Beginning with the first number of the *Forum* for 2000, we reduced our distribution by over 3,000 copies due to the *Forum's* availability on the Internet. This reduction program, which does not affect the availability of the *Forum*, was announced well in advance and we have had only a few distressed calls from commercial organizations who now have to print their copies from the Internet. Most have accepted the change with good grace. This effort is particularly useful because the size of our regulated community has steadily grown and we must maintain a reasonable print run.

The next number of the *Forum*, among other things, will feature a special segment on domestic violence, with one part written by Dr Kanof, a personal comment on HMOs by Dr Roufail, an essay by Dr Pories, a piece on the usefulness of our DataLink system for hospitals, an introduction of our newest Board member, Mr Walsh, two letters to the editor, and reviews of two small books recently published in North Carolina. Publication should be in late June or early July.

As I have noted previously, we plan to add a full *Forum* index to the Web site. An archive of the *Forum* will be placed on our own system as a permanent record, which will be available for printing at any time and will make it possible for us to respond easily to requests for specific numbers or articles. Shannon Kingston is addressing this project.

Web Page

One of Shannon Kingston's key activities is maintenance and refinement of the NCMB Web site. Though relatively new to the task, she is doing an outstanding job.

We are continuing to look at creative but simple ways to refresh the site and keep it vital, including improving the appearance and usability of the menus. We have not yet committed to the use of side columns or frames for that purpose, though we are keeping that option open. Content, of course, is what counts, and our site is rich in content and well organized. The site contains virtually all the Board's publications, documents, and statements; and they are easily available for printing from the site, some exactly as published by using the Adobe Acrobat Reader. Complaint forms can also be printed from the site, as can the Hospital Staff Reporting Form. As you know, we have added a section on the new registration system and inactive status. With Mr VonSeggen's advice and assistance, Shannon has now prepared and developed materials for a physician assistants section. That will be supplemented with material for NPs in the near future. We also add more forms to the site on a regular basis.

After some consideration, we have elected to remove the slide show from the site. Though it was well done, it tended to repeat much information readily available elsewhere on the site.

The original intention was to give it a narrative background to provide more depth, but circumstances did not allow that to be accomplished in a reasonable time. We may look at the idea of a slide show again before too long.

Informational Brochure

Publication of the revised brochure awaits any action relating to the Board taken in the current short session of the General Assembly.

Other Publications

Mr VonSeggen's recent article on communication will appear in the next issue of the *Medico/Legal OB/GYN Newsletter*. Our use of the Internet to distribute the *Forum* to some readers and to expand our distribution of the Bimonthly Disciplinary Report was noted in the most recent issue of the FSMB's *Bulletin*. An excellent article about Dr Barrett appeared in the *Charlotte Observer* on May 15.

Radio/TV Broadcast Activities

Ms Corey Root has recently replaced Fran Diltz as producer at the NC Agency for Public Telecommunications. We look forward to meeting with her in the near future and discussing possibilities for developing some programming with the Agency. Meanwhile, we will be putting information about the Agency's health related programs in the *Forum* soon.

[Video tapes available:

Pain Management

Patient-Doctor Boundaries

The Magic Kiss: Sexual Misconduct and Boundary Issues in Medicine

NCMB Presents Edmund D. Pellegrino in "Why Do We Speak of Responsibility?"]

PA/NP Materials

Shannon Kingston's work on the new PA/NP section of the Web site was noted above. She is also focusing on developing *Forum* materials related to PAs\NPs.

Presentations to Public and Professional Groups

Over the past year, the following presentations have been made or scheduled and reported to Public Affairs.

Andrew Watry

1999

Wake County Medical Society--August 19

NC Association Medical Staff Services (at Board offices)--August 20

Wake Forest U School of Medicine (MAAP program)--September 30

Cabarrus Co Medical Society--November 4

2000

Davidson Co Medical Society--February 29

UNC/CH third year medical students--March 13

Diane Meelheim

1999

PA Program, East Carolina University School of Medicine--July 6

Womack Army Hospital (NP)--August 18

Regulatory Update, Duke University Medical Center PA/NP Program--September 25

2000

UNC School of Public Health students--February 22

Duke University School of Nursing/NP students (Fayetteville)--February 24
Wake Forest University PA Program--March 13
Duke PA Program--April 27
UNC School of Nursing, FNP students--May 23

James Wilson

1999
ECU School of Medicine Health Law Forum (Challenges for NCMB)--September 15
Wake Forest U School of Medicine (MAAP program)--September 30
East Carolina University School of Medicine (Med Jurisprudence and mock trial)--March 6
2000
UNC School of Law, Presentation to students on Health Law--January 24
ECU Medical School, Fourth Year Students on Health Law--March 6
NC Society of Healthcare Attorneys, Telehealth--September 6
ECU School of Medicine Health Law Forum, Medical Errors--September 13

John Jargstorf

1999
Led FSMB Investigator Workshop Seminar: Prescribing Issues--November 5-6

Donald Pittman

1999
Led FSMB Investigator Workshop Seminar: Prescribing Issues--November 5-6

Mr VonSeggen

1999
NCAPA Open Forum--June 2
Winston-Salem Medical Group Managers Meeting--November 10
Physician Assistant Section, North Carolina Medical Society Meeting--November 13
Board Meeting, North Carolina Academy of Physician Assistants--November 14
2000
Cape Fear PA Regional Meeting, Wilmington--February 22
East Carolina University PA Program--February 22
Wake Forest University Conference on Inappropriate Patient Relationships--February 25
Wake Forest University PA Program--March 13
NC Medical Group Managers Spring Meeting--March 31
"Job Powwow" session on Regulatory Issues in Job-Seeking, Winston-Salem--April 1
Forsyth Co Med Society, retired physicians, re: Volunteer Licenses, Wake Forest U--April 5

Mr Saperstein

1999
Wake County Medical Society--August 19
Wake Forest U School of Medicine (MAAP program)--September 30

Mrs Walston

1999
Book Club, Wilson--May 18

Shannon Kingston has taken over the scheduling of presentations. She will be contacting civic, church, professional, and other groups to determine their interest in having speakers from the Board. She and I would appreciate it if members of the Board who have the appropriate

contacts would speak with their local civic groups/clubs to determine if they would be interested in presentations on the work of the Board. Shannon will be happy to make the arrangements once the initial contact is made.

Board Action Report

The detailed bimonthly disciplinary report continues to generate good press response and coverage of the Board's disciplinary activities. It is sent to all health care institutions and media in the area of subject licensees' practices and to organizations and agencies with statewide responsibilities. A full year of reports appears on our Web site. This use of the Web site, combined with our new e-mail facility, has now made it possible to reduce the number of print copies of the report needed for mailing. Basically, only state government, medical, and media addressees remain on the mailing list. Shannon is collecting the e-mail addresses of the state's news media and will be communicating electronically with as many of them as possible as the year goes on--letting them know by e-mail that a new report has been mounted on our Web site. A cumulative report also appears in the *Forum*, and special notices concerning revocations, summary suspensions, suspensions, and surrenders are sent out when the information is received by Public Affairs. These are posted on the Web site for several months under "What's News" and "Immediate Releases."

Thanks to the Internet, media throughout the state, not just in counties where subject practitioners live, can now receive full listings of Board actions on a regular basis. We owe special thanks to Mr Wilson and to Jenny Olmstead for reviewing each Board Action Report prior to its release.

Annual Board Action News Release

We received excellent coverage on our data release and saw little press attention given to either the Public Citizen or the FSMB reports. The Board Action report will be left on our Web site throughout the year.

News Clippings

We continue to make the regular weekly packet of clippings from the Internet available to you on disk. This approach allows us to send you the full package of material as well as an edited selection. (Some items, of course, are not available electronically and hard copy must be sent. This includes materials from our own NC clipping service and the FSMB's clippings from Bacon. The latter, as you have noticed, are sent to us by the FSMB in a rather scrambled form, often poorly copied and hard to read.) The system slowed a bit during April, but, as I imagine you have noted, Shannon has it back on track now. And I should note that the electronic items are received here in a form that is triple spaced, with items running directly into one another. Shannon restructures these into an easily readable form for your disk.

800 Telephone Number

We continue to promote our 800 number in the *Forum* and in other ways. Our Web site and the media distribute the number. In September, 1999, we had 1,400 calls via the 800 number and we are told the number has been climbing over the past few months.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and

not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and to preserve attorney/client privilege.

The Legal Department reported on 53 cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

EXECUTED CASES

DOLIN, Michael Glen, MD
Order executed 3/17/2000
CHEEK, John Christopher, MD
Consent Order executed 4/3/2000
COHN, Gerald Herbert MD
Consent Order executed 5/12/2000
GAMMELL, Gerald Henry, MD
Order of Dismissal executed 3/15/2000
GIFFONE, Anthony Frederick, Jr., MD
Consent Order executed 3/9/2000
GORSKI, Karen, PA
Consent Order executed 4/19/2000
GRAFF, Arthur Leonard, MD
Notice of Dismissal executed 3/15/2000
GOTTSCHALK, Bernard Joseph, MD
Consent Order executed 3/9/2000
GOUBRAN, Michel Zaki, MD
Order executed 4/27/2000
HOROWITZ, Jack Charles, MD
Consent Order executed 4/27/2000
MACKEY, William Frederick, MD
Order executed 4/10/2000
MARTIN, Carol Ann, MD
Consent Order executed 4/19/2000
PATTERSON, Anthony Curtis, PA
Order executed 5/5/2000
PAINE, Karen Nicholson, MD
Consent Order executed 4/13/2000
PETTICREW, Jeffrey Buchanan
Notice of Dismissal executed 4/27/2000
VERELL, Karen Lea, MD
Order executed 3/15/2000
WILLIAMS, David Randall, MD
Consent Order executed 3/30/2000

HEARINGS

BALOGH, Mohammad Haroon, MD
Hearing: May 25, 2000
BOARD ACTION: Dismiss

CHUMAK, Bogdan Alberto, MD
BOARD ACTION: Continue to July 2000 meeting

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

John Foust, MD, Chair; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Hector Henry, MD; Paul Saperstein; Stephen Herring, MD; George Barrett, MD

COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 26, 2000

The Policy Committee was called to order at 11:05 am, Wednesday, April 26, 2000, at the office of the Board. Present were John W. Foust, MD, Chair; Hector H. Henry, II, MD; Stephen M. Herring, MD; Elizabeth P. Kanof, MD; Paul Saperstein; Wayne W. VonSeggen, PAC, Board President; Andrew W. Watry, Executive Director; Dale G Breden, Director, Public Affairs (PC Staff); and Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder (PC Staff). Absent was George C. Barrett, MD

Review of Minutes

The minutes of the March 15, 2000, Policy Committee were reviewed and accepted.

Alternative Medicine

Marty Sullivan, MD, Director of Duke's Center for Integrative Medicine, was invited and scheduled to attend this Policy Committee meeting. Unfortunately, he had a previous engagement in Florida and flight cancellations made it impossible for him to return to Raleigh in time for this meeting.

Action: Dr Sullivan will be reinvited to the August committee meeting.

Office-Based Surgery/Anesthesia - Update

Dr Herring will speak with Dr Brown about the requirements for in-office procedures in Dentistry. If possible, Dr Brown will be invited to the June meeting of the Committee.

TREATMENT OF AND PRESCRIBING FOR FAMILY MEMBERS; REVIEW OF POSITION STATEMENT

It was decided the concern about plastic surgeons operating on members of their families should focus on redoing the Board's position statement on treating family members, which could be seen as a bit vague in covering surgery.

Action: Mr Breden will redraft the position statement to reflect that physicians should not provide "medical or surgical" treatment to family members, and bring the revised position statement back to the May committee meeting for review.

Federation Proposal for Adoption of a Report Form for Residency Program Directors

Brief discussion led to the conclusion that the issue should be addressed at a later time.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 26, 2000.

COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 24, 2000

The Policy Committee was called to order at 3:10 pm, Wednesday, May 24, 2000, at the office of the Board. Present were John W. Foust, MD, Chair; Stephen M. Herring, MD; Elizabeth P. Kanof, MD; Paul Saperstein; Wayne W. VonSeggen, PAC, Board President; Dale G Breden,

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Director, Public Affairs (PC Staff); and Jeffery T. Denton, Board Recorder (PC Staff). Absent were George C. Barrett, MD and Hector H. Henry, II, MD

Review of Minutes

The minutes of the April 26, Policy Committee were reviewed and accepted.

TREATMENT OF AND PRESCRIBING FOR FAMILY MEMBERS: REVIEW OF POSITION STATEMENT

At the April committee meeting, it was decided that due to concern about surgeons operating on members of their families the committee should focus on redoing the Board's position statement on treating family members, which could be seen as a bit vague in covering surgery. Mr Breaden was asked to redraft the position statement to reflect that physicians should not provide "medical or surgical" treatment to family members, and bring the revised position statement back to the May committee meeting for review.

Mr Breaden presented two versions of a redrafted statement for consideration. The committee preferred the statement that extended coverage beyond the traditional idea of family to include such persons as the affianced and "significant others."

Recommendation to Board: That the following statement, revised and renamed "Self-Treatment and Treatment of Family Members and Others with Whom Significant Emotional Relationships Exist," be approved.

NCMB Position Statement

SELF-TREATMENT AND TREATMENT OF FAMILY MEMBERS AND OTHERS WITH WHOM SIGNIFICANT EMOTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS EXIST

- It is the position of the North Carolina Medical Board that, except for minor illnesses and emergencies, physicians should not treat, medically or surgically, or prescribe for themselves, their family members, or others with whom they have significant emotional relationships. The Board strongly believes that such treatment and prescribing practices are inappropriate and may result in less than optimal care being provided. A variety of factors, including personal feelings and attitudes that will inevitably color judgment, will compromise the objectivity of the physician and make the delivery of sound medical care problematic in such situations, while real patient autonomy and informed consent may be sacrificed.
- When a minor illness or emergency requires self-treatment or treatment of a family member or other person with whom the physician has a significant emotional relationship, the physician must prepare and keep a proper written record of that treatment, including but not limited to prescriptions written for controlled substances and the medical indications for them. Record keeping is too frequently neglected when physicians manage such cases.
- The Board expects physicians to delegate the medical and surgical care of themselves, their families, and those with whom they have significant emotional relationships to one or more of their colleagues in order to ensure appropriate and objective care is provided and to avoid misunderstandings related to their prescribing practices.

(Adopted May 1991)
(Amended May 1996; May 2000)

Federation's Report Form for Residency Program Directors

This item was tabled due to Mr Watry's absence.

Alternative Medicine

Martin Sullivan, MD, Director of Duke's Center for Integrative Medicine, was invited and scheduled to attend the April Policy Committee meeting. Unfortunately, he had a previous engagement in Florida and flight cancellations made it impossible for him to return to Raleigh in time for the April meeting.

Dr Sullivan subsequently contacted Mr Breaden with abject apologies and requested to reschedule at the Board's convenience.

Action: Dr Sullivan will be reinvited to either the June or August committee meeting (depending on his availability) for a presentation to the full Board over the lunch hour.

Office-Based Surgery/Anesthesia: Progress of Draft Position Statement

At the March committee meeting it was decided to obtain information on this subject from the Board of Dental Examiners, since they have a statute in place and have been using office-based anesthesia for many years. Dr Herring distributed copies of the North Carolina Dental Practice Act and the Board of Dental Examiners rules regarding general anesthesia. Although the committee needs time to read this information, it discussed which route to take – legislative rule change or position statement. It was noted that if any review fees are involved, the legislative route would be mandated. The general consensus was that development of a position statement would be the best way to begin. In addition, there are several issues that must be covered regardless of which route is pursued, including admission to hospital for patients who go into shock, development of data on complication rates, mandatory reporting, etc.

Action: (1) The Chair tasked Dr Herring to present a rough draft outline for review at the June Committee Meeting.

(2) Committee Members are to be prepared for the following at the June meeting:

- to discuss mechanisms for admission to a hospital,
- to discuss other agencies (JACO, AAAA, JCAH, HEDIS, etc),
- to make a decision about either legislation or position statement.

(3) Mr Watry input is needed as the Committee discusses this issue.

Ophthalmologists in North Carolina

At the April 2000 Board meeting, a copy of a letter from Cynthia Hampton, MD, President, North Carolina Society of Eye Physician & Surgeons (NCSEPS), to all NCSEPS members, was provided to the Board. It was noted that in this letter certain references were made to the Medical Board which the Board viewed as substantial misrepresentations of certain Board positions. Mr. Watry was tasked to write a letter to Dr. Hampton expressing the Board's concerns regarding the widespread distribution of such misrepresentations. A copy of Dr Hampton's original letter and Mr Watry's response were presented to the committee for information.

Action: Accept as information.

CME Rules

An e-mail from Alessandro Barchiesi, MD, of Columbia, South Carolina, with a reply from Mr Watry, was presented for the committee's review.

Action: (1)Accept as information.

(2) It is suggested that the Board consider developing a standardized form for physicians to use when presenting CME for Board review.

Review of Medical Board Position Statements

Historically, individual position statements are primarily reviewed when some event occurs that brings the possible need for change to the Board's attention. The question was asked: "Do we need to review all position statements annually and set up a review schedule?" The Committee's unanimous answer was "yes." The Committee feels that all position statements should be reviewed at least annually. A packet of the Board position statements was presented to committee members.

Action: (1) All position statements will be reviewed annually by the Policy Committee.

(2) Individual committee members are to review the packet of position statements and be prepared to provide their inputs at the June Policy Committee Meeting which will focus on this review.

Medical Record Confidentiality

Due to a recent complaint regarding a patient's diagnosis being released to an organization doing clinical research without the patient's knowledge or authorization, the Complaint Committee has requested that a position statement be written to specifically cover this type of situation. After discussion, it was noted that this specific scenario may fit well as a bullet in an existing position statement.

Action: Mr Breaden will look at adding this to an existing position statement for review by the Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m., Wednesday, May 24, 2000.

Motion: A motion passed approving the April and May Policy Committee Reports as amended.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Paul Saperstein; Wayne VonSeggen, PAC Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Walter Pories, MD;

The Operations Committee met on May 24, 2000. Mr. Paul Saperstein, Chairman of the Operations committee called the meeting to order at 2:30 pm. Members in attendance were Wayne VonSeggen, PA-C, President, Walter Pories, MD, and Secretary Treasurer. Staff in attendance was Andy Watry, Executive Director and Peter Celentano, Controller; absent Elizabeth Kanof, MD Vice President.

The committee reviewed, in detail, the financial statements for the months of March and April. Investment instruments and the investment philosophy of the Board were also reviewed. The committee will propose to the Board that the same investment plan continue, which is to invest in CD's with BB&T. This exposes the Board to minimal risk of loss and a stable interest income.

Staff presented a proposal to improve the security of the Boardroom and to protect sensitive nonpublic materials by creating a monitored entrance and controlling all papers and other materials in cabinets with doors.

A wireless LAN has been installed in the Boardroom for the use of the Board during meetings. This will prevent the safety hazard of cables across passageways. As a part of the security

issues addressed by the contractor of Reilly Lewis, a drain for an ice maker will be completed for the catering kitchen.

Staff reported to the committee the following personnel actions:

1. Gary Townsend, MD, JD hired for the position of Medical Coordinator
2. Mr. Jason Ward hired for the investigative position to be left vacant on the retirement of Mr. Dale Lear.
3. A number of staff is completing or have completed educational courses.

A proposed calendar for the Board meetings in 2002 and 2003 was approved for presentation to the full Board.

Mr. Saperstein adjourned the meeting.

Motion: A motion passed to approve the Operations Committee Report.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) COMMITTEE REPORT

Wayne VonSeggen, PAC; Walter Pories, MD; John Foust, MD; Aloysius Walsh

The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Committee convened at 12:30 p.m., Friday, May 26, 2000. Dr. Mears presented the agenda. Present were Wayne VonSeggen, PA-C, Chair, President, Medical Board; Walter Pories, MD, Secretary/Treasurer, Medical Board; John Foust, MD, Member, Medical Board; Al Walsh, Member, Medical Board; Greg Mears, MD, Medical Advisor, Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS); Ed Browning, Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS); Diane Meelheim, Assistant Executive Director, Medical Board; Don Pittman, Investigator, Medical Board

Discussion followed regarding the issue of basic life support EMS personnel maintaining intravenous fluids and medications while transporting patients. The Committee voted to support the present regulations which require advanced life support certification for administering medications and intravenous therapies.

Dr. Mears' second issue, should EMS Advanced Life Support professionals work in areas outside of pre-hospital environment? This item was tabled until the June 2000 meeting in order to allow time for adequate discussion.

Extensive discussion followed regarding how EMS personnel who are employed in positions requiring the EMT paramedic to work or act as an EMT-Intermediate ambulance provider, and how that individual should sign their name. Staff was asked to prepare information for the committee's review and for discussion at the June 2000 meeting.

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The EMS Committee reported on 4 investigative cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

The EMS certification report was presented and accepted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned Friday, May 26, 2000.

Motion: A motion passed to approve the report as presented. Mr. Browning and Dr. Mears were commended for their preparedness for these committee meetings.

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT COMMITTEE REPORT

Wayne VonSeggen, PAC; John Foust, MD; Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh

PA License Applications -

(***Indicates PA has not submitted Intent to Practice Forms)

Board Action: Issue full licenses.

<u>PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT</u>	<u>PRIMARY SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>PRACTICE CITY</u>
Frieze, Mark S.	***	
Jones, Tara Wiggins	***	
Oswald, Jay Robert	Pimentel, Gonzalo E.	Scotland Neck
Troncale, Anthony David	***	
Valoras, Danielle	***	

PA Temporary License Applications -

(***Indicates PA has not submitted Intent to Practice Forms)

Board Action: Issue temporary licenses.

<u>PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT</u>	<u>PRIMARY SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>PRACTICE CITY</u>
Brennan, Sandra Denise	Chao, Albert	Hope Mills
Campbell, Theadora Devone	***	
King, Deborah Annette	***	
Lazaro, Shirley Renee	***	
Morley, Julie Love	Klumpar, David	Pinehurst
Nicholson, Todd Richard	***	
Reece, Michealle Ann	***	
Strehle, Michael Yvan	***	
Todd, Christy Anne	Davidson, Leo	Fayetteville

The following physician assistants hold a temporary license and are requesting a full license by submitting passing NCCPA results -

Buddendeck, Brian G., PA-C
Bullock, Wendell Bart, PA-C
Ellis, Justin Dale, PA-C

Jamieson, Mark Stephen, PA-C
Wright, Shaun Nicole, PA-C

Board Action: Convert temporary licenses to full licenses.

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

The Board reviewed one licensure application. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

PA Intent to Practice Forms acknowledged -

Board Action: Accept as information.

Beers , Charles Michael	Gottlieb , Sheryl Linda	Burlington
Boucher , Anne Veronica	Sanchez , Clare Jeanne	Raleigh
Boyd , William Scott	Adams , Douglas Harvey	Eden
Boyte , Sabrina Ann	Gray , Michael Allen	Morehead City
Burkill , Michael Edward	Coin , James Thaddeus	Durham
Burkill , Michael Edward	Wilson III , Robert John	Durham
Byerly , Amy R.	Keever , Richard Alan	High Point
Carter , Laura Martin	Klinepeter , Kurt Lewis	Winston-Salem
Caruso , Frank	Carlton , William Yarborough	Winston-Salem
Caruso , Frank	Rau , Bruce William	Winston-Salem
Caruso , Frank	Hebert , Stephen William	Winston-Salem
Caruso , Frank	Mattox Jr. , James Dwight	Winston-Salem
Cherry , Janette Katherine	Dessauer , Kati Elizabeth	Cary
Childers , Shannon Outen	Sran , Sarbjeet Kaur	Hickory
Clark , Melissa Ann	Maugel , Larry Edwin	Matthews
Davis , Richard Caswell	Templeton , David Wesley	Salisbury
Downey , Mary Ann	Mahaffey , Samuel Martin	Durham
Erwin , Mack Earl	Rupe , Carol Anne	Charlotte
Estrella , Shaily Evelyn	Raines Jr. , Arthur Lee	High Point
Everhart , Franklin Ray	Allen , Robert Lee	Raleigh
Fulbright , Virginia E.	Bouska , David Edward	Greensboro
Futh , Stephen Barry	Martinez , Paul Armando	Morehead City
Gibson , Scott David	Silver , Danny	Clinton
Gilbert , Alison	Perren , Richard Stephen	Henderson
Green , Catherine Marie	Kori , Shashidhar Halappa	Durham
Grzywacz , Dona Marie	McCaskill , Lloyd Curtis	Laurinburg
Hall , Richard Dale	Parikh , Roshan Piyushbhai	Fayetteville
Harris-Richmond , Brenda	Linster , Dorothy Mae	Raleigh
Harvey , Gloria Stroud	Perren , Richard Stephen	Henderson
Hollingsworth , Robert Lee	Trimpey , Amanda	Lumberton
Jones Jr. , Charles B.	Clay Jr. , Henry Tucker	Jefferson

Jordan , Linda Carol
McCorison , Andrew B.
McGinnis , James Patrick
Meyer , Grace McLaurin
Peifer , Jennifer Lynn
Rapalje , James John
Rasheed , Karima
Rodezno , Robert Vincent
Schrum , Maribeth Horgan
Schulz , Christian
Sepka , Richard Stephen
Shea , Katherine Boyd
Silverman , Steven Todd
Silverman , Steven Todd
Sinyai Jr., Albert Joseph
Slavinski , Cheryl Maitland
Spainhour , David Sevier
Sparks , Jessica Teague
Stanley , Glenn Martin
Van Benthuyzen Jr., R.
Wayne , Richard
Wolinsky , Sidney Paul

Asimos , Andrew William
Perren , Richard Stephen
Rogers , Otto Floyd
Bowen , Samuel Timothy
Newby , Laura Kristin
Sengstaken , Elizabeth Ann
Schmechel , Donald Everett
Martinez , Paul Armando
Smith , Karen Linnear
Belk , Harold Dean
Pizzino , Joanne Louise
Simolke , Gregory Alan
Coin , James Thaddeus
Wilson III, Robert John
McLean Jr., Walter Copley
Hunsberger , Kurt Lee
Levy , Frederic Evan
Featherston , Mark William
Zotti , Robert David
Royals Jr., Hoover M.
Wheeler , David Marvin
Naik , Ajit Nagarji

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Southern Pines
Hickory
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Morehead City
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Monroe
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Durham
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Elizabeth City
Gastonia
Greensboro
Laurinburg
Kinston
Cashiers
Fayetteville

Agenda Items For Committee Discussion -

Discussion regarding placing PA Committee members' addresses and phone numbers on the web page.

Currently the PA regulations state that a PA's "...temporary license shall expire 30 days after the physician assistant receives notice of non-passing scores on the second attempt of taking a licensing examination approved by the Board or at the expiration date of the temporary license, whichever is sooner." We are relying on each individual PA to submit their scores to us, which may not always occur. Even if this does occur, we have no way of knowing on what date he or she received their scores. Is there a more accurate and efficient way of doing this? Perhaps requesting that scores come directly from the NCCPA?

Board Action: Contact the NCCPA to see if they have considered asking the PAs at the time of the exam if they would like their scores to be sent to one or more states.

NURSE PRACTITIONER COMMITTEE REPORT

Wayne VonSeggen, PAC; John Foust, MD; Walter Pories, MD; Aloysius Walsh

NP initial applications recommended for approval after staff review -

Board Action: Approve

NURSE PRACTITIONER

Bortnick, Patricia Cole
Camille, Cynthia Jean
Davis, Jana Soward

PRIMARY SUPERVISOR

Hansen, Hans C.
Wiener, John S.
Willey, Leanna B.

PRACTICE CITY

Hickory
Durham
Raleigh

Donta, Robin Lynn
Donta, Robin Lunn
Eguakun, Kehinde Amen
Holder, Kelly Hartigan
Holzinger, Jo-Ann Lawler
Jenkins, Kay Baker
LaJeunesse, Stacie Jeanne
Macarages, Brenda Joyce
Noggle, Vanessa Anne
Strickland, Sandra Barfield
Terriberry, Constance Smyth
Weaver, Andrew Wilson
Womble, Melissa Batchelor

Hall, Theresa C.
Hawkins, Kay L.
Howie, John S.
Short, James W.
Bosse, Michael J.
Khodaparast, Hamid
Chenevert, Phillip J.
Martinez, Manuel G.
Bew, Walter S.
Appel, Barbara L.
Roberson, Jill R.
Fretwell, Marsha D.
Fretwell, Marsha D.

Monroe
 Monroe
 Raleigh
 Roxboro
 Charlotte
 Fayetteville
 New Bern
 Fayetteville
 Pensacola, FL
 Fayetteville
 Rockingham
 Wilmington
 Wilmington

NP Subsequent Applications administratively approved -

Board Action: Approve

NURSE PRACTITIONER

Ammerman, Lauren Rae
Angrisani, Patricia Ann
Barney, Julie Wood
Barney, Julie Wood
Barwick, Jane Bruebaker
Bass, Cindy H.
Cannon, Gregory S.
Clark, Wanda Kaye
Conrad, Sharyn N.
Craig, Joan
Dowell, Jo Ann
Evans, Iris Jean
Ferree, Bette M.
Hardy, Pamela C.
Harshaw-Ellis, Karol S.
Jones, Cherry Hill
Jones, Paula Yvonne
Jones, Robyn Elaine
Kimble-Hahn, JoAnn
Kosanovich, Nancy Neiberg
Lang, Jennifer McLoughlin
Mitchell, Penny Louise
Muir, Patricia Ann
Peltier, Patti Y.
Raffield, Ruth Black
Sanford, Janet Lynn
Santiago, Eilyn N.
Slone, Claire Cooper
Smith, Dorothy N.
Wade, Thelma Susan

PRIMARY SUPERVISOR

Martin, Paul L.
Salyers, Martha Jane
Hoerr, George Richard
Link, A. Stanley
Walters, William Mark
Howie, John S.
Bynum IV, Robert W.
Hembree, Eugene E.
Dumalaog, Maria E.
Hembree, Eugene E.
Earls, Marian F.
Schmits, W. Richard
Evans, James H.
Newton, Dale A.
Nasr, Viviane
Beurskens, Maureen L.
Burton, Philip D.
Hurwitz, Herbert I.
Willhide, Margaret
Phillips, Delana
Provatas, Anastas C.
Hansen, Hans C.
Morris, Margaret R.
Holl, Blair Lynn
Osta, Elie
Harris, Glenn Ray
Katzin, David S.
Berkowitz, Gerald P.
Sewell, Constance J.
Risner, Robert J.

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 Mocksville
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 Raleigh
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 Gastonia
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 High Point
 Tabor City
 Lexington
 Greenville
 Raleigh
 Charlotte
 Wake Forest
 Durham
 Statesville
 Kitty Hawk
 Morehead City
 Hickory
 Chapel Hill
 Asheville
 Snow Hill
 Laurinburg
 Fayetteville
 Charlotte
 Asheville
 Elkin

LICENSING COMMITTEE REPORT

Kenneth Chambers, MD; Hector Henry, MD; John Foust, MD; George Barrett, MD; Martha Walston

“Now Licensed Document”

CATCHLINE: There has been some concern regarding the document that is given to applicants following the licensure interview during Board Meetings. This document was prepared at the Board's direction, about 10 years ago, in order to be more accommodating to the needs of the applicant. The main concern was that the Board might vote against the applicant when the report is given but the applicant would already have the document in hand.

BOARD ACTION: Discontinue use of the document. Tell the applicant they will be advised by mail regarding the Board's decision.

Dominican Republic Medical Graduates

CATCHLINE: Dr. Kanof has requested review of Board Policy requiring graduates of UTESA, UNIREMHOS, INTEC, and UFHEC to interview with a subcommittee or full board if their applications are routine. This decision came out of the January 1999 and August 1999 Board meetings.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Allow graduates from these medical schools who have “routine” applications to interview with an individual Board representative.

BOARD ACTION: Leave policy as is – require all graduates from UTESA, UNIREMHOS, INTEC AND UFHEC to interview with a subcommittee or full board.

FCVS (Federation Credential Verification Service)

CATCHLINE: Mr. Watry has dictated a proposal for using the FCVS.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION (April): Table until May meeting, allowing time for review of materials.

BOARD ACTION (May): Table discussion until the June meeting when all committee members are present.

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

The Board reviewed 10 licensure applications. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

SPLIT BOARD LICENSURE INTERVIEWS

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

The Board conducted 23 Split Board licensure application interviews. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report as modified. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

A motion passed to close the session to investigate, examine, or determine the character and other qualifications of applicants for professional licenses or certificates while meeting with respect to individual applicants for such licenses or certificates.

The Board conducted 2 Full Board licensure application interviews. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report as modified. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

APPLICANTS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD

David Eric Abel	Umapathy Channamalappa
Anisha Abraham	Robert John Cherichella
Ira Neil Adler	Monique Vera Chireau
Jodi Lynn Adler	William Clement Chisholm
Mhd Tayab Al-Hafez	Thomas Jude Christopher
Ghassan Al-Sabbagh	Michael Curtis Cian
Maher Jaffar Albahrani	Rachel Amy Brown Clarke
Chetan N. Amin	Scott Russell Clarke
Ioana Mihaela Apoltan	Charles Randall Clinch
Sanjay Girdhari Asrani	Joshua Cochrane
Chamain Dorthy Austin	Amy Michele Cohagan
Danute Jaroseviciute Banelis	James Bernard Collins
Evelyn Ntube Beal	Kathryn Ann Copeland
Terry Leroy Behrend	Sharyn Marie Comeau
Keturah Chesbrough Bell	Jason Robert Connelly
John William Bell	Roger Lee Cothran Jr.
Gerard Mark Benecki	Jack Landon Cox
Sumeet Jagdish Bhushan	Thomas Bentley Crabtree Jr.
Christopher Bibbo	Thomas John Cummings
Abhik Kumar Biswas	Patrick Matthew Curlee
Jessica Ellen Blumenthal	Pratik Vipin Desai
Karl Craig Boatright	Renee' Raimondi Deweese
Bret David Borchelt	Paul Joseph Dickinson
David Michael Boruta	Vincent Bernard DiMercurio
James Charles Bower	Anne Elizabeth Dixon
Michael Eugene Brame	Walter Dillard Dixon
Jan Christopher Brandys	Mark Alan Dodd
Mary Jinjoo Britton	Joseph Basil Dore
Brian Nathaniel Brodish	Henry Dorn
Mark Anthony Burt	Theodore Arthur Dorsay
Adrian Alexandru Caracioni	Martin Rans Douglas

Margaret Rankin Douglas
Sigsbee Walter Duck
Christopher Jay Duggins
Robert Auldon Duncan
Melissa Bruley Duncan
Audrey Faye Echt
William Johnston Edmiston Jr.
Carol Lynn Egner
Mark Allen Engel
Ha Ngoc Nguyen Evans
Ofer Feder
Jason Edward Felger
Bryan John Feyen
James Rista Field
Stephen Adam Fine
Frank A. Finnerty
Kenneth Barry Fleisch
Lynn Kevin Flowers
Brian Ray Forrest
Lawrence Joseph Fowler
Daniel Wade Fox
Robert Carroll Frere
Stephen Ashley Fry
Stephen Fred Futterer
Samuel Anthony Gallo
Stavros Garantziotis
John Arthur Garside
Anthony Charles Geraci
Charles John Gerardo
Roy E. Gilbreath
Cristina Yip Go
Lynn Marie Goetze
Jeffrey Brian Goldstein
Sharon Lynne Goldstein
Ted Alan Graham
Karen Anne Graham
Jeffrey David Greene
Charles Groshon Gunn
Laura Ann Gunn
Stephen Matthew Gutting
Erwin Joseph Haas
Nizar Habal
William Lee Hall
Scott Lewis Hambleton
Betty Jean Harmon
Charles Lewis Harring III
Robert Paul Harris
Saiyid Akbar Hasan
Darren Ray Haskell
George John Hatsios
William Doit Hauger
Thomas Luke Heil

Kit Christopher Helm
Richard Edward Herrick
Philip Joseph Hess
James Carlisle Hewitt
Becki Sue Hill
Royal Albert Hobbs
Kenworth Fitzgerald Holness
John Warren Holshouser
Beth Ann Houser
Martha Ann Howard
Undine Jean Howell-Burke
Tien-Shew William Huang
Diaa Eldin Hussein
Shaukat Iftikhar
Brian Michael Iffeld
Tanveer Mohammad Imam
Kamla Terese Jain
Sunil Kumar Jaiswal
Mary Margaret James
Thomas Lee Jeffries
John Anthony Johnson
Genevieve Jones
Jason Daniel Jones
Jon William Jones Jr.
Scott Tracy Josephs
Theodosia Anastasios Kalfa
Jennifer Ann Kalich
Sharon Kay Kanelos
Mary Beth Kansora
Andrew Lee Katz
Carlton Rudolph Kemp
Mary Lynne Kemp
Kevin Lee Kenworthy
Jeffrey Paul Keverline
Alan Scott Keyes
Faryal Ali Khamis
Farouk Yusaf Khan
Karen Leann Killeen
Sung Uk Kim
Steven Woong Kim
Regina Young Kim
Scott Kenneth Charles King
Julia Snow Knerr
Edward Peter Koza
Andrew Aaron Kramer
Peter Edward Kravath
Johannes Kari Kristinsson
Karen Louise Kriza
Arvind Kumar
Gopal Reddy Kunta
Anand Shreeram Lagoo
Garrett Ka Keung Lam

Luis Fernando Lara
Kurt Karl Lark
Rebecca Long Lark
Frederick William Larsen
Valerie Anne Lasko
Lonnie Wayne Lassiter
Faith Winora Lawrence
Tho Dinh Le
Louis Joseph Leblanc
Hans Han-Woo Lee
Brian Michael Legere
Kenneth Charles Lennon
Karen Joyce Lessaris
Thomas Peter Lessaris
Yatwah Leung
Matthew John Levinsky
Myron Burton Lezak
Lawrence Liao
Edward Guerrant Lilly III
Tomas Que Lim
Lisa Ann Lindborg
Heather Aimee Loesch
Rebecca Jean Love
R. Tempest Lowry
Marianne Veronica Lyons
Gianna Demos Madrid
Takouhie Catherine Maldjian
Jonathan Adam Malin
Morton David Malkin
Glen Dela Cruz Manalo
Lisa Marie Mani
John Alan Manley
Arie Mantin
Louis Marty Martinez
M. Ohn Maung
Charles Eugene Mayes Jr
Scott David McClellan
John Richards McCormick
William Bruce McCrea
Maureen McLaughlin-Grant
Ross Leslie McMahon
Kathleen Mary McTigue
Amy Kathleen Metzger
Barbara Meyer Meyers
David Philip Miller
Steven Raymond Miller
Gregory Charles Mitro
Kathryn Anne Mogan
Ashton Vishnu Molai
Istvan Molnar
Forrest O'Dell Moore III
Brian Allen Moore

Wendy Colleen Moore
Kenneth John Moquin
Nancy Strom Morgan
Amy Leigh Mosher
Mary Sherwyn Mouw
John Jay Myers
Deborah Rose Natale
Elizabeth Neel
Julia Kathryn Nelson
Michael Patrick O'Donnell
Jorge Valdemar Obando
David Ellis Ormond
William Sebastian Panza
Ronald R. Parks
Augusto Parra
James A. Partridge
John Stephen Pastorek
Hemantkumar Maganlal Patel
David Dante Pellei
Keith Edward Penney
Rodney Alexander Perez
Jeffrey Braxton Perrin
Terry Lee Pieper
Cynthia Ann Polo
Trevor Ward Poole
Wayne Fraser Poole
Jon Albert Proctor
Steven Ward Pruett
Ana Maria Quinones
Karthik Ramaswamy
David Awrey Randall
Todd Alan Rappaport
Charles R. Readdy
Jaime Felix Recasens
Michael Arthur Reed
Elizabeth Margaret Reinoehl
Pairoj Rerkpattanapipat
Axel Claus Ricker
Scott Clifton Rissmiller
Toni Lynn Roberts
James Wesley Ritchie Robertson
Killian Conor Robinson
Navarra Valencia Rodriguez
Ricardo Emilio Rodriguez-Rosa
Eric Michael Rohren
Daryl Alan Rosenbaum
Todd Jason Roth
Stuart Rothenberg
William Jeffrey Rutledge
Daniel Noah Sacks
Scott Gary Sagraves
Mozhdeh Salour

Maria Teresita Santos
Markus David Scherer
Andre Christopher Schoeffler
Todd Richard Schroeder
Jay Stephen Schukman
John Charles Seed
Sherene Katherine Shakib
Ehab Mohamed Sharawy
Mary Cassie Shaw
Regan Robert Sheeley
Christine Marie Sheridan
Mohini B. Shukla
Mohammad Tahir Majid Siddiqui
Michelle Aileen Simmons
Jason Isaac Smith
Anne Boger Smith
Christopher Hamilton Smith
Ronald Gregory Snyder
Parimal Jadavbhai Soni
Margaret K. Sparks
Jill Marie Spiekerman
Stuart Morris Squires
Shawn Patrick Stallings
Volker Wilhelm Walter Stieber
Susan Denise Sturgess
Jeffrey Michael Suchniak
Timothy Andrew Sullivan
Carles Raylon Surles Jr.
Pamela Beatrice Sylvestre
Peter Takacs
David Michael Tarter
David Wesley Templeton
Mary Angela Thomas
DeJuan Theresa Thomas
Sharon Marie Tomaski
Eric Andrew Toschlog
Paul Stephen Toth III
Millicent Hope Trevett
Benjamin Howard Trichon
Moshe Mark E. Usadi
Rebecca Shari Usadi
Bruce Warren Usher
Timothy John Vanderkwaak
Leonel Abelardo Vasquez
Priya Velappan
Bernard Velardo
Alvaro Velasquez-Garces
Raymond Anthony Viducich
Robert Leonard Wade
Paul Lance Walker
Melanie Paul Walker
Orrin Abraham Walker

Laurence Shu-Chung Wang
Mark Edward Ward
Thomas Brent Warren
Gerald Edwin Welch II
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Bruce Warren Usher
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Interview Forms Not Received

Patrick Matthew Curlee
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Jill Marie Spiekerman
Sondra Kaye Wolf

**Reactivation of NC license – short
process**

Pauline Frances Hixson
Thomas Lee Jeffries
Genevieve Jones
Jason Daniel Jones
R. Tempest Lowry
Todd Alan Rappaport
Regan Robert Sheeley
David Wesley Templeton

**Reinstatement of NC license – long
process**

Carol Lynn Egner
Jonathan Adam Malin
Markus David Scherer
Paul Raymond Young

NORTH CAROLINA PHYSICIANS HEALTH PROGRAM (NCPHP) COMMITTEE REPORT

John Dees, MD; Hector Henry, MD; Kenneth Chambers, MD

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to section 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Board reviewed 24 cases involving participants in the NC Physicians Health Program. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

Walter Pories, MD; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; John Dees; Stephen Herring, MD; Martha Walston

The full Board reviewed and approved the complaint committee report, which included the monthly statistics, committee recommendations for complaints, and the guidelines for the management of complaints during the time we wait for a new medical coordinator.

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Complaint Committee reported on 59 complaint cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

Total Number of Outstanding Complaints in Department	185
Complaints (Pathway 1) Being Reviewed At March Board Meeting	61
Complaints Awaiting Permission to Share	2
Complaints Awaiting Physician Responses	49
Complaints Awaiting Summarization	45
Complaints Awaiting Review by Complaint Committee	22
Complaints Awaiting Info from Investigations	2
Complaints Awaiting Response from Expert Reviewer	4

	April	May (thru 5/19)
Complaint Forms Requested	88	72
Complaints Received	49	30
Pathway 2 Complaints	27	

Medical Record Issue	8
Fee Issue	4
PTS not given	2
Disability Issue	1
No Violation of the MPA	11
Patient Dismissed	1

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Hector Henry, MD; Paul Saperstein; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; Wayne VonSeggen, PA-C; Stephen Herring, MD; George Barrett, MD

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Investigative Committee reported on 56 investigative cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

INFORMAL INTERVIEW REPORT

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16 and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

Thirty-one informal interviews were conducted. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Split Boards' recommendations and approved the written report as modified. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16 and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

One Full Board informal interview was conducted. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Split Boards' recommendations and approved the written report as modified. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

MALPRACTICE COMMITTEE REPORT

Walter Pories, MD; Elizabeth Kanof, MD; John Dees; Stephen Herring, MD; Martha Walston; Aloysius Walsh

A motion passed to close the session to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, and 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

The Malpractice Committee reported on 32 cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included as these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned on May 27, 2000.

Walter J. Pories, MD
Secretary/Treasurer