

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

Public Information/Profile Committee Minutes August 25, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:49 a.m. by the chair, Ms. Paulette Southard. Committee members present were Michael Arambula, M.D., Ms. Patricia Blackwell, Mr. John D. Ellis, Jr., Melinda McMichael, M.D., Mr. Timothy Webb, and Irvin Zeitler, D.O. Also present were Mari Robinson, Executive Director; Jennifer Kaufman, Assistant General Counsel; Suzanne Mitchell, Assistant General Counsel; Megan Goode, Special Projects Manager; and other board members and staff.

Agenda item #2, Discussion, recommendation, and possible action relating to rule review and proposed amendments to Texas Administrative Code, Title 22, Chapter 173, Physician Profiles. Ms. Robinson and Ms. Kaufman briefed the committee on changes to the rule chapter including changes specifying the type of information that must be listed on a physicians profile pertaining to the provision of utilization review services for an insurance company. Dr. Arambula moved, Ms. Blackwell seconded, and the motion passed to accept the proposed changes for publication in the Texas Register.

Agenda item #3, Update Relating to Open Records Requests. Ms. Mitchell provided a report on the agencys FY 10-FY 11 open records requests including relevant statistics and a summary of the types of requests received. Ms. Mitchell also provided a brief summary of the Office of the Attorney General opinions received in the past year.

Agenda item #4, the meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.