



TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD
TEXAS PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BOARD

LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 14, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair, Teralea Jones, PA-C. Committee members present were Karrie L. Crosby, PA-C, Jennifer L. Clarner, PA-C and R. Blayne Rush.

Agenda Item 2 – Applicants appearing concerning eligibility.

Applicant #2042 appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. The applicant presented a brief summary and the Committee members asked questions. Following discussion, **Mr. Rush moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a Texas physician assistant license.** Ms. Clarner seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Application #2052 appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. The applicant presented a brief summary and the Committee members asked questions. Following discussion, **Mr. Rush moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a Texas physician assistant supervised temporary license with the following conditions:**

- **The supervised temporary license will have an expiration date that will allow the applicant to obtain at least 20 hours a week supervised practice for at least 40 weeks in a 12-month period subject to the following restrictions: that the applicant work full time, only in setting that provides continuous full-time, on-site physician supervision; the applicant be restricted from prescribing controlled substances; the supervising physician shall submit monthly reports regarding the applicant's work performance; the supervising physician shall submit, one month prior to the**

temporary license expiring, a log showing time worked regarding the applicant's work performance. The applicant will be required to reappear before the Licensure Committee at the end of 12-month period. If the applicant's supervised temporary license expires prior to the applicant's appearance before the Committee, board staff is directed to extend the supervised temporary license to accommodate the applicant.

Mr. Rush also moved that the applicant be privately referred to the Texas Physician Health Program for evaluation and compliance with all requirements and recommendations by the program. Factors contributing to this recommendation include the applicant's unprofessional conduct during physician assistant school, mental health treatment and falsification of their application for licensure. **Ms. Crosby seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

Applicant #2043 spoke with the Committee via teleconference to discuss her appeal of the Executive Director's determination that she practice under a 12 month supervised temporary license due to the applicant's time out of active practice. The applicant presented a brief summary and the Committee members asked questions. Following discussion, **Mr. Rush** moved to recommend to the full Board the Applicant's appeal be denied and the original determination stand. **Ms. Crosby seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

Agenda Item 3 – Proposed Orders Offered by the Executive Director. There are none.

Agenda Item 4 – Report on physician assistant licenses issued by Board Staff – Mr. Johnston reported there were **137** regular applicants and **6** relicensure applicants who have been licensed since the last Board meeting.

Agenda Item 5 - Report on physician assistant licensure process statistics – Ms. Johnston reported that 205 physician assistant licenses were issued in the 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2016 in an average of 30 days. In the 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2017, 228 physician assistant licenses

were issued in an average of 31 days. In the 4th Quarter of Fiscal Year 2017, as of 6/28/17, 64 physician assistant licenses were issued in an average of 18 days.

Agenda Item 6 - There being no further business, Ms. Crosby moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 a.m. Dr. Rush seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.