



**TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD  
TEXAS PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT BOARD**

**LICENSURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**March 30, 2018**

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

**Agenda Item 2 – Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding applicants appearing concerning eligibility.**

**Applicant #1856 appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director appeared before the Committee on referral by the Executive Director. The applicant presented a brief summary and the Committee members asked questions. Following discussion, Ms. Clarner moved to recommend to the full Board that the applicant be granted a Texas physician assistant license. Ms. Crosby seconded the motion. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

**Applicant #2052 appeared before the Committee, with legal counsel, on referral by the Executive Director. Mr. Rush moved that the committee recommend to the full Board that the Applicant be determined ineligible for a license due to unprofessional conduct, mental or physical condition that renders person unable to practice as a physician assistant, and using drugs or intoxicating liquors to the extent that person cannot practice as a physician assistant. 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.** Ms. Johnston reported that staff had issued 224 license between 11/17/2017 and 2/18/18. Additionally, there are 101 licenses to be issued today.

**Agenda Item 5 - Report on physician assistant licensure process statistics** – Ms. Johnston reported that 191 physician assistant licenses were issued in the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2017 in an average of 21 days. In the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2018, 188 physician assistant licenses have been issued in an average of 24 days.

**Agenda Item 6 - Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding proposed amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code.**

**a. Chapter 185 Physician Assistants**

**§185.7 Temporary License**

**Ms. Crosby moved to recommend to the full Board that the proposed amendments to the rules as presented be published in the Texas Register for public comment. Ms. Clarner seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.**

**Agenda Item 7 -** There being no further business, Mr. Rush moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Crosby seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD RULES**  
**Texas Administrative Code, Title 22, Part 9**  
**Proposed Changes**

**Chapter 185**

Physician Assistants

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**§185.7. Temporary License**

(a) The board, or its designee may issue a temporary license to an applicant who:

(1) meets all the qualifications for a license under the Act but is waiting for the next scheduled meeting of the board for the license to be issued;

(2) seeks to temporarily substitute for a licensed physician assistant during the licensee's absence, if the applicant:

(A) is licensed or registered in good standing in another state, territory, or the District of Columbia;

(B) submits an application on a form prescribed by the board; and

(C) pays the appropriate fee prescribed by the board;

(3) has graduated from an educational program for physician assistants ~~or surgeon assistants~~ accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission for the Education of Physician Assistants (ARC-PA) or by the committee's predecessor or successor entities no later than six months previous to the application for temporary licensure and is waiting for examination results from the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants; or

(4) has not, on a full-time basis, actively practiced as a physician assistant, as defined under §185.4(c) of this title (relating to Procedural Rules for Licensure Applicants), but meets guidelines set by the physician assistant board including, but not limited to, length of time out of active practice as a physician assistant and duration of temporary licenses.

(b) *Unchanged*

(c) *Unchanged*