



# Texas Medical Board

## ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS AND COMMUNICATION AD HOC COMMITTEE

FEBRUARY 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 a.m. by the Chair, Wynne Snoots, M.D. Committee members present were Julie Attebury; Frank Denton; and J. Scott Holliday, D.O. Other board members present were Michael Arambula, M.D.; George Willeford, III, M.D.; Paulette Southard; David Baucom; John Ellis, J.D.; John R. Guerra, D.O.; Margaret McNeese, M.D.; Allan Shulkin, M.D.; and Robert B. Simonson, D.O. Staff members present included Mari Robinson, J.D., Executive Director; Robert Bredt, M.D., Medical Director; Scott Freshour, General Counsel; Wendy Pajak, J.D., Assistant General Counsel; Tonie Knight, Licensure Manager; and Megan Goode, Government Affairs & Communications Manager.

### **Agenda item #2, Discussion, recommendation and possible action regarding proposed amendments to board rules:**

#### **a. 165.1(a) Medical Records**

Ms. Pajak gave a summary of the proposed amendments to §165.1(a) Medical Records. After discussion, **Mr. Denton moved, Ms. Attebury seconded, and the motion passed to approve the proposed amendments to 165.1(a) Medical Records for publication and comment.**

**Agenda item #3, Presentation by Dr. Snoots.** Dr. Snoots made a presentation. The committee discussed the possibility of creating a position statement for the Board on the issue of electronic health records, their utilization, and potential lack of effectiveness that treating physicians encounter when relying on them for the purpose of assisting in treatment decisions and providing good patient information. After further discussion, **the Committee directed staff to create a position statement that would identify the factors of concern to the Committee. The Committee further directed staff to provide a draft of the position statement to Dr. Snoots prior to the next meeting.**

**Ms. Attebury moved, Mr. Denton seconded that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.**