

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD
STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
April 6, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chair, Elvira Pascua-Lim, M.D. Committee members present were David E. Garza, D.O., Manuel Guajardo, M.D., Amanullah Khan, M.D, Annette Raggette; and Timothy J. Turner.

Agenda item #2, regarding discussion, recommendation, and possible action on requests for waivers of prescriptive delegation requirements.

The committee received a request for waiver of prescriptive delegation from Ruben Bocanegra, M.D. Following discussion, **Mr. Turner moved that the Standing Orders Committee recommend to the full board that Dr. Bocanegra's waiver request be approved with the condition that ten percent of the charts of the patients seen are reviewed every two weeks. Ms. Raggette seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**

The Committee directed staff to review all prescriptive delegation rules and consider revisions, including monitoring the number of prescriptions written by physician assistants and nurse practitioners.

The committee received a request for waiver of prescriptive delegation from Craig Gunter, M.D. Following discussion, **Mr. Turner moved that the Standing Orders Committee recommend to the full board that Dr. Gunter's waiver request be approved. Dr. Guajardo seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**

Agenda item #3, regarding a report on waivers acted upon by staff. Ms. Garanflo reported that staff has taken no actions on waivers since the last meeting of the committee.

Agenda item #4, regarding discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding changes to Chapter 183, Physician Assistants, in relation to changes mandated by SB419: Mr. Simpson explained that the changes were proposed amendments to the Physician Assistant rules which had been discussed at the Physician Assistant stakeholders' meeting and subsequently reviewed, modified, and approved by the Texas Physician Assistant Board. There was discussion about the addition of a six-

attempt limit on the Physician Assistant licensing exam. The Committee requested staff to provide feedback to the Physician Assistant Board regarding the Committee's discussion of a three-attempt limit, considering the high passage rate on the national exam and the consistency with the exam attempt limits in the Medical Practice Act and the Acupuncture Act. **Dr. Garza moved to publish the rules as proposed in the Texas Register for public comment. Mr. Turner seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**

Agenda item #5, discussion regarding changes to Chapter 193, Standing Delegation Orders, to include new 193.13, Prescriptive Medical Devices: Mr. Shackelford explained the proposed changes to the Standing Delegation Orders rules regarding prescriptive medical devices. The committee directed staff to modify the proposed rules based on the committee's input and to present those rules to the committee on a later date.

There being no further business, **Mr. Turner moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:29 a.m. Ms. Ragette seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.**