

TELEMEDICINE COMMITTEE August 20, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by the Chair, Timothy Turner. Committee members present were Jose Benavides, M.D.; Pat J. Crocker, D.O.; Manuel Guajardo, M.D.; Margaret McNeese, M.D.; and Timothy Webb. Other members present were David Baucom; Patricia S. Blackwell; Melinda McMichael, M.D.; Charles Oswalt, M.D.; Allan Shulkin, M.D.; George Willeford, III; and Irvin E. Zeitler, Jr., D.O. Staff members present were Mari Robinson, J.D., Executive Director; Nancy Leshikar, General Counsel; and various staff.

Agenda item #2, Discussion, recommendation and possible action regarding rule review and possible amendments to 22 TAC 174 Telemedicine. Written comments were received and reviewed. After discussion, Dr. Crocker moved, Dr. McNeese seconded, and the motion passed to approve the rule review and amendments to TAC 174 Telemedicine and to publish for public comment with amended language to define patient site location to be limited to medically underserved areas and that patient site presenters be defined to require that they be licensed in the state as an advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, or physician.

There being no other agenda items the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.