

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
January 9, 2003

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:50 a.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2003.

Committee members present: Lance Talmage, M.D.; Robert Zaayer, P.A.-C; Anquetette Sloan,; Katherine Clark, D.O.; Michael Bowen, P.A.-C, and Thomas Parish, P.A.-C.

Staff members present: Cathy Hacker, and Kay Rieve.

Guests: Kelli Melvin, M.D.

I. Review of October 10, 2002 Minutes

Dr. Clark moved to approve the October 10, 2002 Physician Assistant Policy Committee minutes. Mrs. Sloan seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

II. Review of physician assistant supplemental utilization plans

The committee began the meeting by discussing the supplemental utilization plan application from **Far Oaks Orthopedists** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: diagnostic arthrocentesis of the knee.

The committee noted that this group was previously approved for this function and that they were requesting to add a new physician to the approved function. It was further noted that the levels of supervision were different from the original application.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the same levels of supervision as the original application. Mr. Bowen seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Heidi Donnelly, M.D.** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: dermabrasion or resurfacing of scars.

The committee noted that this application had been reviewed by them at their June 2002 meeting and they had tabled it at that time pending receipt of clarification of who would determine the strength of the application, that the physician see each patient pre and post procedure and that the physician would observe the physician assistant in performing no less than 25 procedures to determine competency. Dr. Donnelly has submitted a statement that she will comply with all of the above.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application. Mr. Bowen seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **CRB of Ohio** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: removal of chest tubes.

The committee recommended that this group amend this application to reflect that the PA would also observe the physician in performing 5 procedures with 100% onsite supervision.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mrs. Sloan seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **CRB of Ohio** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: removal of chest temporary pacer wires.

The committee recommended that this group amend this application to reflect that the PA would also observe the physician in performing 5 procedures with 100% onsite supervision.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mrs. Sloan seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: removal of intra aortic balloon pump.

The committee recommended that this group amend this application to reflect that the PA would also observe the physician in performing 5 procedures and the physician would observe the PA in performing 20 procedures to determine competency.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mr. Bowen seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: Insertion of chest tubes.

The committee recommended that this group amend this application to reflect that the PA would also observe the physician in performing 5 procedures.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mr. Bowen seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: vein and artery harvesting.

The committee recommended that this group amend this application to reflect that the PA would also observe the physician in performing 5 procedures and the physician would observe the PA in performing 25 procedures to determine competency.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mr. Bowen seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: insertion of central venous lines.

The committee recommended that this group amend this application to reflect that the PA would also observe the physician in performing 5 procedures.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mr. Bowen seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: removal of swan ganz catheters.

The committee noted that this application was in line with the other applications that have been previously approved for this function.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Dr. Clark seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: insertion of arterial lines.

The committee recommended that the PA observe the physician in performing no less than 5 procedures.

Dr. Clark moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mrs. Sloan seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: Change tracheostomy more than 72 hours after placement.

The committee noted that this application was in line with the other applications that have been previously approved for this function.

Mr. Bowen moved to approve this application. Mrs. Sloan seconded. All member voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: endotracheal intubation.

The committee recommended that the PA observe the physician in performing no less than 5 procedures utilizing 100% onsite supervision unless it was an emergency situation.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Mr. Bowen seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Columbus Cardiology** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: noninvasive cardiovascular studies.

The committee requested that the physician assure them that he would see and evaluate all patients prior to the test being performed. This is due to the fact that some patients may be referrals.

Dr. Clark moved to approve this application pending receipt of the above amendments. Mrs. Sloan seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Zanesville Heart Specialists** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: vein and artery harvesting.

The committee noted that this application was in line with the other applications that have been previously approved for this function.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application. Dr. Clark seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Zanesville Heart Specialists** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: removal of chest tubes.

The committee noted that this application was in line with the other applications that have been previously approved for this function.

Dr. Clark moved to approve this application. Mrs. Sloan seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried

The committee then discussed the supplemental application from **Zanesville Heart Specialists** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform: removal of temporary pacer wires.

The committee recommended that the physician assistant observe the physician in performing 5 procedures and the physician observe the physician assistant in performing 10 procedures to determine competency.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve this application with the above amendment. Dr. Clark seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried

The PA Policy Committee meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:10 a.m. on Thursday, October 10, 2002.

I hereby attest that these are true and accurate minutes of the Physician Assistant Policy Committee of the State Medical Board of Ohio, meeting on October 10, 2002.

Robert Zaayer, P.A.-C
Chair

Copies of documents and/or materials referenced in the minutes of the Physician Assistant Policy Committee meeting are available at the Board offices.