

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**March 14, 2002**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:35 A.M. on Thursday, March 14, 2002.

Committee members present: Anquetette Sloan, David Buchan, D.P.M.; Jeff Fisher, PA-C; Katherine Clark, D.O.; and David Keseg, M.D.

Staff members present: Cathy Hacker.

Guest: Dixie Mullinax, Resident physician

***I. Review of January 10, 2002 Minutes***

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

***II. PAPC member term limits***

Dr. Buchan noted that he and Mr. Booher were at the end of their terms on this committee. He further noted that the Board was waiting on nominees from OAPA to replace Mr. Booher and that the Board staff was working on a replacement for him.

***III. Correspondence***

Dr. Buchan noted that this correspondence was submitted to the committee by Mr. Booher for informational purposes. He stated that it was very informative.

***IV. Review of physician assistant supplemental utilization plans***

The committee began the meeting by discussing the supplemental utilization plan application from **Med Central Mansfield** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform insertion of central venous lines.

Dr. Buchan noted that the Board had previously approved this procedure . The committee noted that the application indicated that there would be appropriate training and education for the PA's to be able to perform this function.

Mrs. Sloan moved to approve the application. Dr. Keseg seconded. All members 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 noted that they had reviewed this application at their January, 2002 meeting and had requested that this group observe no less than 25 procedures to determine competency. The committee noted that this information had been received.

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

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

The committee noted that this application is requesting noninvasive cardiovascular studies, however, the documentation does not support that request. It was noted that the backup documentation reflects pharmacological agents used in stress testing, which is an invasive procedure. The committee also noted that Ms. Hacker had corresponded with this group and tried to bring this application into compliance with the rules. This group has ignored the request of Board staff and submitted an application that is inconsistent and that does not comply with the rules and therefore cannot be approved.

Mrs. Sloan moved to deny this application as it does not comply with the current rules. Dr. Keseg seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the application from **Dermatology Associates** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform application of light based medical devices for the purpose of hair removal.

The committee noted that the Board has previously approved this function with the same levels of training, education and supervision.

Dr. Keseg moved to approve this application. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the applications from **Raj Cardiovascular Association** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform the removal of mediastinal & pleural chest tubes, removal of intra aortic balloon pump and removal of pulmonary artery catheters (swan ganz).

The committee noted that all of these procedures have been approved by the Board with the same levels of training, education and supervision.

Dr. Keseg moved to approve these applications. Dr. Clark seconded. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the application from **Raj Cardiovascular Association** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform removal of epicardial pacing wires.

The committee noted that the Board has previously approved another group to perform this function with the observance of no less than 10 procedures to determine competency.

Dr. Keseg moved to approve this application pending receipt of clarification that they will observe no less 10 procedures to determine competency. Dr. Clark seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the application from **Raj Cardiovascular Association** that is requesting that their PA(s) be allowed to perform vein and artery harvesting using open or endoscopic techniques.

Dr. Keseg moved to approve this application pending receipt of clarification that they will observe no less 25 procedures to determine competency under direct supervision. Dr. Clark seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The PA Policy Committee meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:15 A.M. on Thursday, March 14, 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 March 14, 2002.

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John W. Booher, P.A.  
Chair

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