

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
June 10, 2008

The meeting was called to order at approximately 2:02 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2008.

Committee members present: Eugene Imbrogno, M.D.; John Jonesco, D.O.; Robert Zaayer, P.A.-C.; and Michael Bowen, P.A.-C.

Staff members present: Cathy Hacker, Michael Miller, and Kay Rieve.

Guests: Beth Adamson, Executive Director, Ohio Association of Physician Assistants.

I. Review of the April 8, 2008 minutes.

Mr. Bowen moved to approve the April 8, 2008 minutes of the Physician Assistant Policy Committee. Dr. Imbrogno seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

II. Review of Special Services Plan applications

The committee began the meeting by discussing the application from **Advanced Dermatology & Dermatopathology** that is requesting approval of: Electrodesiccation and/or curettage of superficial lesions and cryotherapy of very superficial, benign and precancerous lesions.

The committee noted that they had reviewed these applications in March 2008 and tabled them pending receipt of clarification that the physicians would see the patients pre and/or post procedure and that the pathology would be determined.

The committee stated that this group had given the appropriate responses to their concerns and that the training, education and supervision was adequate.

Dr. Jonesco moved to approve these applications. Mr. Bowen seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then discussed the application from **Tri-County Dermatology** that is requesting approval of the following: excisional biopsy/excision of skin lesions.

The committee recognized that the Board has historically denied this procedure due to the need for physician decision making and that it is a surgical procedure. However, the committee feels that this application presents good training, education and supervision program.

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

The committee then reviewed the application from **Faith Medical Associates** that is requesting approval of: non invasive cardiovascular studies.

It was noted that this application was tabled at the April 2008 meeting requesting that they amend the application to reflect 100% onsite supervision. Dr. Reed has sent in a letter stating that she will utilize 100% onsite supervision for this procedure.

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

III. Discussion on model policy ad-hoc group.

Mr. Miller spoke to the committee regarding the need for them to create model supervisory plan applications to alleviate the need for many of the special services applications that are currently being sent to the committee for their review.

The committee agreed and stated that specifically there is a need for Orthopaedics, Dermatology and Urology.

They discussed that someone needs to contact the State and National Specialty Association groups to obtain guidelines as to what would be acceptable for physician assistants to perform and what type of training, education and supervision would be required for these services.

The Physician Assistant Policy Committee meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:46 p.m. on Tuesday June 10 2008.

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 June 10, 2008.

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.