

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES
August 12, 2004

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:35 a.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2004.

Committee members present: Lance Talmage, M.D.; Michael Bowen, P.A.-C.; Anquetette Sloan and Tom Parish, PA-C.

Staff members present: Shannon Baldwin, Cathy Hacker, and Kay Rieve.

I. Review of July 15, 2004 Minutes.

Mrs. Sloan moved to approve the July 15, 2004 Physician Assistant Policy Committee minutes. Dr. Talmage seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

II. Review of supplemental utilization plans

The committee began the meeting by discussing the supplemental utilization plan application from **Advanced Cardiovascular Services-Sidney** that is requesting that their PA(s) be approved for: Sclerotherapy.

Dr. Talmage stated that the 1st injection must be performed with onsite supervision before any off-site supervision can be utilized. Ms. Hacker pointed out that on page 5 of the agenda the physician states that offsite supervision will be utilized for follow up appointments. The committee acknowledged that this procedure had been previously approved with some offsite supervision.

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

The committee then discussed the supplemental utilization plan applications from **OSU Radiology** that is requesting that their PA(s) be approved for the following functions: insert tunneled CV Catheter under ultrasound and Fluoroscopic guidance, remove tunneled cv catheter, placement of subcutaneous venous ports under ultrasound and fluoroscopic guidance, insertion of and revision of PICC Lines, remove subcutaneous venous ports, and image guided placement and exchange of non tunneled CV catheters.

The committee noted that these procedures have previously been approved and that it was within the ability of PA's to perform these procedures.

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

The committee then reviewed the application from **Digestive Specialists** that is requesting that their PA's be approved to evaluate and treat new patients with only onsite supervision.

The committee noted that this is prohibited by 4730.21(D), Ohio Revised Code as the physician must personally see and evaluate the new patient to the practice and the existing patient with a new condition prior to treatment being rendered.

Mr. Parish moved to deny this application based on the above prohibition. Dr. Talmage seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The committee then reviewed the application from **University Surgical Associates** that is requesting that their PA's be approved to perform: endotracheal intubation, Radial arterial line insertion, removal of Swan Ganz catheter, removal of chest tubes, insertion of CV catheter and insertion of chest tubes.

The committee requested that this group amend the application for the insertion of chest tubes to reflect 100% direct supervision due to the possible complication associated with this procedure. The committee also noted that this function has always been approved with 100% direct supervision.

Dr. Talmage moved to approve these applications, with the one amendment. Mr. Parish seconded the motion. All members voted aye. The motion carried.

The PA Policy Committee meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:05 a.m. on Thursday, August 12, 2004.

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 August 12, 2004.

Robert Zaayer, P.A.-C
Chair

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