WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

Physician Assistant Committee Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2024

The Physician Assistant Committee of the West Virginia Board of Medicine met at 101 Dee Drive, Charleston, West Virginia, on March 9, 2024, at 9:30 am.

The following Committee members were present:

Kiran R. Patel, MD, Acting Physician Assistant Committee Chair Kiran S. Devaraj, MD Radhakrishna U. Kukkillaya, MD Russell O. Wooton

The following Committee members were absent:

Victoria L. Takubo, PA, Physician Assistant Committee Chair Reverend Janet M. Harman

The following Staff members were present:

Mark A. Spangler Jamie S. Alley, Esq. Sara J. Fields Greg S. Foster, Esq. Amal N. Khan Sheree J. Thompson

With a quorum present, and in the absence of Ms. Takubo, Dr. Patel served as acting chair of the meeting and called the meeting to order.

CALL TO ORDER

The Committee reviewed the minutes from its January 6, 2024, meeting. Dr. Kukkillaya moved that the Committee approve the minutes. Mr. Wooton seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Committee reviewed the following complete applications for initial physician APPLICANTS assistant licensure:

INITIAL LICENSURE APPLICANTS						
1 Sarah		Michelle	Adamczyk	PA		
2	Samantha	Kay	Barbeito	PA		
3	Chelsea	Loyce	Bares	PA		
4	Alexandra	Nicole	Barraza	PA		
5	Katherine	Lois Smith	Batten	PA		
6	Thomas	Riley	Craig	PA		
7	Emily Campbell		Day	PA		
8	Tyler	Robert	Ebbeskotte	PA		
9	Taryn	Ashley	Fields	PA		
10	Ashley	Hideko	Holt-Folkman	PA		
11	Marzena		Kaczmarczyk	PA		
12	Shannon	Marie	Lyon	PA		
13	Victoria	Anastasia	Lytwak	PA		
14	Travis	Reed	Miller	PA		
15	Taylor	Morgan	Mulkey	PA		
16	Rebecca	Faith	Myers	PA		
17	Chloe	Alexis	Papa	PA		
18	Derek	Michael	Patsy	PA		
19	Daniel	Scott	Raucher	PA		
20	Morgan	Taylor	Roach	PA		
21	Brett	Andrew	Sigley	PA		

	INITIAL LICENSURE APPLICANTS CONTINUED					
22	Adam	William	Smith	PA		
23	Melinda	Dawn	Stoner	PA		

No conflicts having been declared, Dr. Kukkillaya moved that the Committee recommend each of the preceding twenty-three applicants for physician assistant licensure. Mr. Wooton seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mary Louise Joseph, PA applied for reactivation of physician assistant licensure. She met with the Committee and her application was placed on hold, pending additional information. She subsequently submitted a written request to withdraw her pending application. Dr. Kukkillaya moved that the Committee recommend that the Board accept Ms. Joseph's request to withdraw. Mr. Wooton seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Lemuel Pierre applied for an interstate telehealth registration with the Board. The applicant attended an international medical school. He has not attended physician assistant school and has never sat for the PANCE. He holds physician assistant licensure in one territory and two states. Dr. Kukkillaya moved that the Committee invite this applicant to meet with the Committee in May to discuss his application. Mr. Wooton seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The Committee received an update on the 2024 legislative session. Of note, the Legislature enacted Senate Bill 667, which enters West Virginia into the interstate Physician Assistant Compact, and Senate Bill 714, which merges the Board of Medicine and the Board of osteopathic Medicine. These bills are currently awaiting action by the Governor. If Senate Bill 667 is approved, West Virginia will be the fifth or sixth state to join the PA Compact. The compact becomes effective once seven states join.

DISCUSSIONS

The Committee received an update on Interstate Telehealth Registration renewal, which began in February and will conclude on March 29, 2024. To date, nine of the twenty-six PA interstate telehealth registrants have renewed.

Board staff notified the Committee of the following licensure activity in January and February 2024:

1. Practice Notifications Processed January / February 2024

Practice Notifications Activated				
	WVBOM Licensees	Interstate Telehealth Registrations		
January	31	0		
February	29	1		

2. Reinstatement Applications Processed January / February 2024

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Professional Type	License Number	Reinstatement Issued
Brandon	Lee	Coburn	PA	2437	1/31/2024
Joshua	Brian	Ellis	PA	2414	1/11/2024
Linda	Lee	McGavisk	PA	1949	1/16/2024

3. Reactivation Applications Processed January/February 2024

First	Middle	Last	Professional	License	Reactivation
Name	Name	Name	Type	Number	Issued
			None		

4. Interstate Telehealth Registration Applications Processed January/February 2024

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Professional Type	ITR Number	ITR Issued
Sara	Fulton	Amaral	PA	ITRPA-1030	2/8/2024
Dalton	Chase	Gifford	PA	ITRPA-1031	2/28/2024

There being no further business, Dr. Kukkillaya moved that the Committee adjourn. **ADJOURNMENT** Dr. Devaraj seconded the motion, the motion carried, and the meeting adjourned.

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Victoria L. Takubo, PA

Chair of the Physician Assistant Committee