

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE
Physician Assistant Committee Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2024

The Physician Assistant Committee of the West Virginia Board of Medicine met at 101 Dee Drive, Charleston, West Virginia, on September 7, 2024, at 9:15 am.

The following Committee members were present:

Victoria L. Takubo, PA, Physician Assistant Committee Chair
Kiran S. Devaraj, MD
Reverend Janet M. Harman
Kiran R. Patel, MD
Russell O. Wooton

At the Committee's invitation, the following newly appointed Board member attended the meeting:

Kristen D. Statler, MD

The following Staff members were present:

Mark A. Spangler
Jamie S. Alley, Esq.
Greg S. Foster, Esq.
Sheree J. Thompson

With a quorum present, Ms. Takubo called the meeting to order.

**CALL TO
ORDER**

The Committee reviewed the minutes from its July 13, 2024, meeting. Rev. Harman moved that the Committee approve the minutes. Dr. Patel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**APPROVAL
OF
MINUTES**

Mr. Wooton joined the meeting at this time.

The Committee elected to take its agenda out of order while awaiting the scheduled **APPLICANTS** appearance time for the two appearing reactivation applicants. The Committee reviewed the following complete applications for initial physician assistant licensure:

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT APPLICANTS				
1.	Farah	Karim	Ali	PA
2.	Shawnie	Nikole	Bittinger	PA
3.	Danijel		Bartolovic	PA
4.	Donald	Jacob	Calella	PA
5.	Breanna	Lea	Cecil	PA
6.	Carson	Leigh Catherine	Corrick	PA
7.	Lauren	Ashley	Cramer	PA
8.	Mykaela	Allen	Davis	PA
9.	Lindsay	Marie	Didio	PA
10.	Jordan	Wayne	Freels	PA
11.	Peri	Elizabeth	Gray	PA
12.	Hannah	Elisabeth	Guilliams	PA
13.	Amy Elizabeth		Hehre	PA
14.	Jillian	F.	Jackson	PA
15.	Zachary	Jay	Liebman	PA
16.	Kayla	Marie	Maga	PA
17.	Carly	Christine	McCardle	PA
18.	Jamie	Victoria	Muccioli	PA
19.	Matherine	Lorane	Murray	PA

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT APPLICANTS (continued)				
20.	Leena	Jayesh	Patel	PA
21.	Ashley	Jade	Radon	PA
22.	Heidi	Marie	Schulz	PA
23.	Andrea	Rose	Seago	PA
24.	Adriana	Don	Sevy	PA
25.	Stacey	Renee	Vierra	PA
26.	Charles	Wesley	White	PA
27.	Madison	Mary	Wiedebusch	PA
28.	Blake	Randle	Wilcock	PA
29.	Lauren	Michelle	Younger	PA

No conflicts having been declared; Dr. Patel moved that the Committee recommend each of the preceding twenty-nine applicants for physician assistant licensure. Dr. Devaraj seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The Committee then returned to consider appearing applicants.

Susan Lewis Given appeared before the Committee in support of her application for reactivation of an expired physician assistant license. Ms. Given has been absent from clinical practice since 2019. After a thorough and frank discussion, Rev. Harman moved that the application be placed on hold pending additional information regarding the applicant's current fitness to practice as a physician assistant with reasonable skill and safety and a plan or re-entry into active practice after her lengthy absence. Dr. Devaraj seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

In advance of the scheduled appearance of Melanie Bagshaw Takubo, PA, Chair Takubo declared a conflict. Chair Takubo notified the Committee that she has had personal

and familial interactions with the applicant and has elected to declare a conflict to avoid any appearance of conflict. Chair Takubo requested that Dr. Patel preside over the meeting in her absence and left the meeting room.

Melanie Bagshaw Takubo, PA met with the Committee in support of her application for reactivation of physician assistant licensure. Ms. Takubo has been absent from clinical practice for twenty years, but recently recertified through the NCCPA. After a thorough discussion with the applicant, Rev. Harman moved that the application be placed on hold pending the Committee’s receipt and review of a re-entry plan submitted by the applicant and her proposed collaborating physician which addresses her reentry into practice, including benchmarks and milestones for completion of the re-entry process. Mr. Wooton seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Ms. Takubo returned to the meeting at this time, and thanked Dr. Patel for chairing the Committee in her absence.

Board staff notified the Committee of the following licensure activity in July and **DISCUSSIONS** August 2024:

Practice Notifications Processed

Month	Practice Notifications Activated	
	WVBOM Licensees	Interstate Telehealth Registrations
July	46	0
August	29	0

Reactivation Applications Processed

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		License Number	Reactivation Issued
Tammy	Moran	McConville	PA	560	7/26/2024
Kent	Wayne	VanDevender	PA	621	8/2/2024

PA Interstate Telehealth Registration Application Processed

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		ITRPA Number	ITRPA Issue Date
Kimberly	Bond	Lilly	PA	ITRPA-1037	7/17/2024

Mr. Spangler and Ms. Alley provided the Committee with an update on the PA interstate compact. The inaugural meeting of the Physician Assistant Compact Commission is scheduled to occur at the offices of the Counsel of State Government in Washington, DC September 24-25, 2024. There are currently thirteen member states. The agenda includes review and approval of bylaws, delegate training, establishment of committees, election of officers, discussion of RFPs for Executive Director and Secretariat, and implementation timelines.

There being no further business Chair Takubo declared the meeting adjourned by **ADJOURNMENT** consensus.



Victoria L. Takubo, PA
Chair of the Physician Assistant Committee