

Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners  
Physician Assistant's Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

August 13, 2024

I. Call to Order

Dr. Gregory Ayers called to order the regular meeting of the Physician Assistant Advisory Committee at 4:00 p.m. on August 13, 2024 at the office of the Board of Medical Examiners in Birmingham, Alabama.

II. Roll Call

The following Advisory Committee members were present: Heather Neighbors, PA, Bellamy Davis, PA, Bonnie Minton, PA (Virtual), Lauren Worley, PA, Joshua Smith, MD, Ronald Roan, MD, Jay Suggs, MD, and Gregory Ayers, MD

The following staff members were present: Kimie Buley (Virtual), Suzanne Powell, Sandi Kirkland, Tonya Vice, Carla Kruger (Virtual), Karen Silas, Alicia Harrison, Amy Dorminey (Virtual), Wilson Hunter, Matt Hart (Virtual), Chekaylah Bradley (Virtual), Hannah Paulk (Virtual), Shemika Whetstone (Virtual)

III. Committee Minutes

Dr. Roan motioned to approve the minutes from the Tuesday, April 9, 2024 meeting. Dr. Suggs seconded the motion. Heather Neighbors, PA, Bellamy Davis, PA, Bonnie Minton, PA (Virtual), Lauren Worley, PA, Joshua Smith, MD, Ronald Roan, MD, Jay Suggs, MD, and Gregory Ayers, MD voted in favor of the motion.

IV. Old Business

a. Dermatology Specialty Protocol

The Committee discussed the submitted protocols in detail and recommended this item be deferred for further review and presented to the Committee at its next meeting.

b. PA Licensure Compact

The Committee discussed the progress of the PA Licensure Compact.

c. Arterial Line Insertion- Femoral

At its April 9, 2024 meeting, the Committee recommended the Board approve the addition of arterial line insertion, femoral to the PA Core Duties and Scope of Practice. An update was provided to the Committee notifying them of the Board's approval of their recommendation at its April 11, 2024 meeting.

d. 540-X-7-.30 Physician Assistant's Advisory Committee

At its April 9, 2024 meeting, the Committee recommended a proposed modification to 540-X-7-.30 regarding term limits for members of the Committee. Staff provided an update to the Committee in regard to the Board's decision at its May 16, 2024 meeting to publish the proposed rule for public comment in the *Alabama Administrative Monthly*.

e. Supervisory Practice CME Course

An update was provided to the Committee in regard to the new online CME course.

V. New Business

a. PA Loan Program-Scholarship Applicants

Ms. Neighbors motioned to approve the applicant, Nicole A. Raicik, P.A., for the PA Service Program Loan. Ms. Davis seconded the motion. Heather Neighbors, PA, Bellamy Davis, PA, Bonnie Minton, PA (Virtual), Lauren Worley, PA, Joshua Smith, MD, Ronald Roan, MD, Jay Suggs, MD, and Gregory Ayers, MD voted in favor of the motion.

b. Ophthalmology Skills

The Committee discussed multiple ophthalmology skills for consideration of performance by PAs as well as correspondence submitted by the Alabama Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons. The Committee received this item as information.

c. Proposed Rules

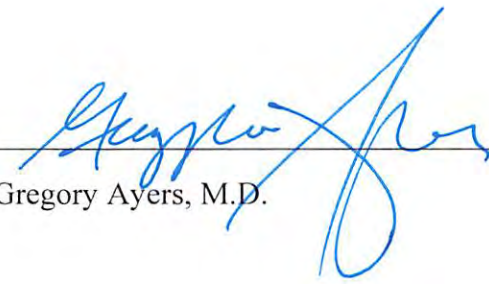
The Committee discussed newly proposed changes regarding Administrative Rule, 540-X-7-.08, Grandfather Clause – Physician Assistant.

Adjournment

Dr. Gregory Ayers adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Kimie Buley, Director of Advanced Practice Providers

Minutes approved by: Dr. Gregory Ayers



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Gregory Ayers, M.D.