

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS**

**THIS AGENDA CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS  
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, § 20**

**BOARD MEETING**

Thursday, October 11, 2012

9:30 a.m.

239 Causeway Street – 4th floor, Room 417A

Boston, MA 02114

**Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Approval of Minutes
  - A. September 13, 2012 Regularly Scheduled Meeting
  - B. September 13, 2012 M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session
- IV. Adjudicatory Session (closed session)  
None.
- V. M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session (closed session)
  - A. PA-2012-005 Pladel, Scott License No. PA1003 (expires 3-1-2013)
  - B. Update: PA-2009-001 Cushman, Ina License No. PA31 (expires 3-1-2013)  
Board review of documentation submitted in connection with Probation
- VI. License Application Review
  - A. Triana, Jason Application for licensure  
Documentation of bachelor's degree
- VII. License Reactivation Application Review  
None.
- VIII. Staff Assignments  
None.
- IX. Complaints  
None.
- X. Scope of Practice Inquiries
  - A. Alison Giuliano, PA466: Can she dispense medications to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on a class trip to Washington, D.C.?

XI. Other Business/Announcements

A. Board Statute at M.G. L. c. 112, § 9K, and Board Regulations at 263 CMR 4.00:

*Approval of Physician Assistant Training Programs*

Discussion of existing statutory and regulatory requirements

B. Update: Proposed Regulatory Amendments at 263 CMR 5.04(3)(b) and 5.08: *Physician Assistants Authorized to Operate Fluoroscopic X-ray Systems and Perform Fluoroscopic Procedures*

Status of proposed regulatory amendments

C. Update: Board Regulation at 263 CMR 5.05(2): *Scope of Supervision Required*

Request to Secretary Bigby to promulgate emergency regulation deleting PA/supervising physician ratio as required by Chapter 111 of Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012

D. November 8, 2012 Board Meeting: Reschedule to 11/1/12 or 11/15/12 or Cancel

XII. Adjourn

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BOARD MEETING

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MINUTES

Board Members Present: Dipu Patel-Junankar, PA-C, Chair  
Miguel Valdez, PA-C, Vice-Chair  
Laura Hilf, RN, MS, Public Member  
Edward Glinski, MD, Public Member  
Richard Baum, MD, MMS Member  
Nicole Meregian, PA-C, Board Member  
Shannon Sheridan-Geldart, PA-C, PA Education Program Member  
(left at 10:35 a.m.)

Board Members Not Present: Argyro Tsiaras, PA-C, Board Member  
Frieda Cohen, Public Member

Staff Present: Sally Graham, Executive Director  
Joelle Stein, Board Counsel, OGC, DPH  
Anson Chu, Administrative Assistant

Maryanne Sheckman, OPP Investigator (left at 10:15 a.m.)

Guests: Christine Power, Regis College graduate student (arrived at 10:23 a.m.)

I. Call to Order

Ms. Patel-Junankar, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

II. Approval of the Agenda

The meeting agenda was reviewed. Mr. Valdez made a motion to approve the agenda as presented; Dr. Glinski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Document: October 11, 2012 Board Meeting Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes

A. September 13, 2012 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

The Minutes of the September 13, 2012 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting were reviewed. Dr. Glinski made a motion to approve the Minutes as amended; Mr. Valdez seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. Patel-Junankar, Mr. Valdez, Ms. Hilf, Dr. Glinski, and Ms. Sheridan-Geldart voting in favor. Dr. Baum and Ms. Meregian did not vote as they were not present at the September Board Meeting.

B. September 13, 2012 M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session

The minutes of the September 13, 2012 M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session were reviewed. Mr. Valdez made a motion to approve the minutes as amended; Dr. Glinski seconded the motion. The motion passed with Ms. Patel-Junankar, Mr. Valdez, Ms. Hilf, Dr. Glinski, and Ms. Sheridan-Gedart voting in favor. Dr. Baum and Ms. Meregian did not vote as they were not present at the September meeting.

Documents: Minutes of the September 13, 2012 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting  
Minutes of the September 13, 2012 M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session

IV. Adjudicatory Session (closed session)

None.

V. M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session (closed session)

A. PA-2012-005 Pladel, Scott PA1003 (expires 3-1-2013)

B. Update: PA-2009-001 Cushman, Ina PA31 (expires 3-1-2013)  
Board review of documentation submitted in connection with Probation

Ms. Hilf made a motion to go into the M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session at 9:41 a.m.; Dr. Baum seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

[The Board exited the M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session and returned to open session at 10:22 a.m.]

VI. License Application Review

A. Triana, Jason Application for licensure  
Documentation of bachelor's degree

Mr. Valdez made a motion to advise the applicant that the Board's statute at M.G.L. c. 112, § 9I (and regulations at 263 CMR 3.02(2)) requires applicants to document receipt of "a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university or an equivalent approved by the Board." Ms. Sheridan-Geldart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Document: License Application

VII. License Reactivation Application Review

None.

VIII. Staff Assignments

None.

IX. Complaints

None.

X. Scope of Practice Inquiries

- A. Alison Giuliano, PA466: Can she dispense medications to 8th grade students on a class trip to Washington, D.C.?

Following discussion, the Board determined that it would not be within the scope of practice of a physician assistant to dispense medications to students on a field trip as they are not her patients and not the patients of her supervising physician.

Document: Email query sent by Ms. Giuliano

XI. Other Business/Announcements

- A. Board statute at M.G. L. c. 112, § 9K, and Board regulations at 263 CMR 4.00:  
Approval of Physician Assistant Training Programs

After a discussion of existing statutory and regulatory requirements, the Board deferred any action on this matter pending a review of the statute and regulations.

Document: PA Program Accreditation History (handout)

- B. Update: Proposed Regulatory Amendments at 263 CMR 5.04(3)(b) and 5.08: Physician Assistants Authorized to Operate Fluoroscopic X-ray Systems and Perform Fluoroscopic Procedures

Ms. Stein informed the Board that she has submitted a request for approval of the proposed regulations at 263 CMR 5.00 governing PAs' performance of fluoroscopic procedures as revised following the public hearing so that the Board may officially adopt the regulations and direct their final filing with the Secretary of State's Office. She will continue to monitor the progress of the approval request.

- C. Update: Board regulation at 263 CMR 5.05(2): Scope of Supervision Required

Ms. Stein informed the Board that she has submitted a request to promulgate an emergency regulation proposing the deletion of the Board's regulation at 263 CMR 5.05(2) governing the number of Physician Assistants who may be supervised by a physician so as to comply with the amendment to M.G.L. c. 112, § 9E effectuated by Section 111 of Chapter 224 of the Acts of 2012.

- D. November 8, 2012 Board Meeting: Reschedule to 11/1/12 or 11/15/12, or cancel

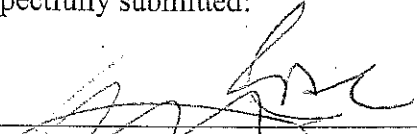
Due to a scheduling conflict, the November Board Meeting has been changed from November 8 to November 1, 2012. Board members will be notified of the change and it will be posted on the Board's website.

XII. Adjourn

There being no other business before the Board, Dr. Baum made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Dr. Glinski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration of Physician Assistants will be held on Thursday, November 1, 2012, at 9:30 a.m. at 239 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Dipu Patel Junankar, PA-C  
Chair

11/1/12  
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Date