ASMB Physician Assistant Regulation Project Work Group

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Wednesday, September 4, 2024 – Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Bigelow Hood at 4:01 p.m.

Roll Call/Work Group members present:

Sarah Bigelow Hood

Jenny Fayette Mehgan Hall Matt Heilala Candace Hickel Daniel Reynolds

Pam Ventgen

Absent: Jonathan Barnes

John Riley

Staff: Natalie Norberg

- 2. Ms. Bigelow Hood opened the floor to address any questions or concerns from last week's work session concerning practice agreements and performance and assessment of practice. The group reflected on the merits of having the criteria of performance assessments detailed in regulations and decided to recommend repealing the entire section related to performance assessments (12 AAC 40.40.030).
- 3. Sections related to Graduate Physician Assistant License and Authority to Prescribe were discussed edited.
 - Deciding that graduate PA licenses are no longer necessary due to changes with the NCCPA and expedited temporary permits through the Board, the group decided to repeal Section 12 AAC 40.445 (Graduate Physician Assistant License).
 - Similarly, the group questioned the need for the "authority to prescribe" to be outlined in regulation when this authority and its associated responsibilities are inherit with the PA's independent DEA registrations. Much of section 12 AAC 40.450 (Authority to Prescribe, Order, Administer and Dispense Medications) was eliminated.
 - A discussion was initiated regarding section 12 AAC 40.460, related to how PA's identify themselves in the workplace. One group member asserted that PA's should clearly delineate themselves as physician assistants for patient awareness purposes. Others asserted that this is an undue burden not imposed on other licensees. The issue of misrepresenting one's qualifications

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as a violation of professional conduct was discussed.

- 4. Homework for the next meeting assigned: Continue to Review and be prepared to discuss sections 12 AAC 40.460, 12 AAC 40.470, and 12 AAC 40.473.
- 5. Wrap up/Adjourn -

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Next meeting: Sept. 11, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.