



**Board of Physical Therapy
Public Meeting Minutes**

February 2, 2015

Comfort Inn Tumwater, 1620 74th Ave SW, Tumwater, WA

On February 2, 2015, the Board of Physical Therapy met at Comfort Inn Tumwater, 1620 74th Ave SW, Tumwater, WA. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notices were sent to individuals requesting notification of meetings.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Schmidt, PT, DPT, Chair
Renee Compton, PTA, Vice-Chair
Ticha Green, PT, DPT
Andrew Wodka, PT, DPT
Donald Prest, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT

Kris Waidely, Program Manager
Blake Maresh, Executive Director
Megan Brown, Program Manager
Cece Zenker, Program Support
Lilia Lopez, AAG Advisor
Janet Staiger, Staff Attorney

GUESTS PRESENT

Andie Wagner, Credentialing Review Supervisor, Department of Health
Tanya Mills, Credentialing Review Supervisor, Department of Health
Elaine Armantrout, President, Physical Therapy Association of Washington (PTWA)

OPEN SESSION

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Robert Schmidt, PT, DPT, Chair, at 9:12 a.m.
 - 1.1 Introductions – The board, staff, and guests introduced themselves.
 - 1.2 Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved as presented.
 - 1.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 12, 2014 – The meeting minutes were approved with the following amendment:

CORRESPONDENCE

Strike the fourth bullet of Ms. Compton's comments regarding dry needling.

1.4 Approval of Disciplinary Meeting Minutes from December 12, 2014 – The disciplinary meeting minutes were approved as presented

2. PRESENTATION

Mikel Olsson, MS, MHP, CDP, Case Manager, presented information regarding Washington Health Professional Services (WHPS). Due to reorganization in the division, the program has changed their name to Washington Health Professional Assistance Program (WHPAP). WHPS has been moved to the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission.

Information included:

- WHPS (now WHPAP) was established in 1992 and is a service within the department of Health. It is funded by the Boards and Commissions.
- There are approximately 150 participants.
- Length of program contract can vary between one to five years.
- Practitioners can enter the program voluntarily, as an alternative to discipline, or as part of an agreed order with the department.
- If a practitioner enters voluntarily and successfully completes the program, than no contact is made with the disciplinary board. If a practitioner enters voluntarily but does not successfully complete the program, they will be reported to the disciplinary board.

Mr. Olsson gave some statistical data of participants in the WHPAP program.

3. CREDENTIALING REPORT

Tanya Mills, credentialing supervisor for the physical therapy profession provided some basic credentialing statistics.

4. POLICY REVIEW

The board tabled this agenda item until the next meeting scheduled for April 6, 2015.

5. APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO RECEIVE LISTS/LABELS

The board reviewed the following public disclosure requests to receive lists and labels of physical therapists:

- University of Washington – The board approved their request to be recognized as an educational organization for the purpose of receiving lists and labels. Ms. Waidely will notify them of the board's decision.

6. PROGRAM REPORT – Information provided to the board by the Program Manager and Executive Director.

6.1 Budget

- Ms. Waidely and Mr. Maresh presented the board's budget report. There are no concerns about the board's budget as this time. The department staff will continue to monitor the budget.
- Mr. Maresh gave an overview of licensing fees and provided some statistical data about the board's revenue and expenditure history, expenditure, revenue and fund balance, and disciplinary trends.

6.2 Legislative Meet-Me-Calls

Ms. Compton reported on the weekly legislative meet-me calls

- SB 5151 – Cultural competency education for health care professionals
 - Requires a disciplining authority for certain health care professions to adopt rules requiring a health care provider to receive cultural competency continuing education training. DOH is required to approve, develop, and make available a list of CE opportunities related to cultural competency.
- SHB 1424 – Suicide prevention
 - Requires DOH to adopt rules by June 30, 2016, establishing minimum standards for the suicide assessment, treatment, and management training programs. New language addresses the model list of trainings.
- HB 1339 – Allowing the secretary of health to intercede and stay any decision of a disciplining authority that expands scope of practice
 - Creates a process to allow the secretary to intercede and stay a decision of a disciplining authority that expands scope of practice. States that the practice for all health care professionals is determined by the legislature.
- SHB 1340 – Developing a process to allow pilot programs for health care professionals to learn new skills or roles, use existing skills in new circumstances, and accelerate training
 - Creates a pilot program to use health care providers in innovative new roles and reallocate health tasks to better meet the health needs of patients. DOH is identified to oversee the health workforce innovation project approval process.

Ms. Armantrout also reported about the following bills

- SSB 5175 – Regarding telemedicine
 - Requires health insurance carriers to reimburse a provider for a health care service delivered through telemedicine per certain criteria. The bill defines telemedicine and what it does not include. The essential health benefits are those in effect at the effective date of the act. Reports of provider problems must be shared with the Medical Quality Assurance Commission and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.
- SSB 5052 – Cannabis Patient Protection Act
 - Brings the medical marijuana market and regulation under a single framework with the recreational marijuana market. Requires the department to establish a database for qualifying patients and providers.

6.3 Board member recruitment

- Ms. Waidely updated the board on the status of recruitment for new board members.
- Seven applications were received for the PT board member position. Interviews will be conducted and the necessary information will be forwarded to the governor's office.

6.4 Planning for upcoming meetings

Ms. Waidely will add the following agenda items to upcoming board meetings:

- Training on foreign trained applications – Ms. Waidely will send a foreign educated application to the board

- Review board policies/procedures
- Continue to update chapter 246-915 WAC – Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants

7. RULES WORKSHOP

The board began to make general updates, revisions, and housekeeping amendments to chapter 264-915 WAC – Physical Therapists and Physical Therapist Assistants.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under the consent agenda (informational items) are considered routine matters and are approved without discussion upon approval of the agenda. If separate discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular business agenda for discussion.

8.1 CBT Comment Summary and Candidate Satisfaction Survey Report

CLOSED SESSION – The board went into closed session at 12:35 p.m.

9. REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS

Applicant A: Approved

Applicant B: Denied

Applicant C: Approved

Applicant D: Denied

Applicant E: Denied

Applicant F: Denied

Applicant G: Denied

Applicant H: Approved

Applicant I: Denied

10. CONTINUING EDUCATION AUDITS

CE Audit A: Approved

CE Audit B: Deficient – NOC

CE Audit C: Deficient – NOC

CE Audit D: Approved

CE Audit E: Approved

CE Audit F: Deficient – NOC

CE Audit G: Approved

CE Audit H: Approved

CE Audit I: Approved

CE Audit J: Approved

CE Audit K: Approved

11. DISCIPLINARY CASE REVIEWS – See disciplinary meeting minutes

OPEN SESSION – The board returned to open session at 2:26 p.m.

12. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned by Robert Schmidt, PT, DPT, Chair, at 2:27 p.m.

Kris Waidely, Program Manager
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Robert Schmidt, PT, DPT, Chair
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