

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHY
Board Meeting Minutes
July 30, 2010

The West Virginia Board of Osteopathy met on Friday, July 30, 2010 via Conference Call originating from the Charleston Office. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by President, Ernest Miller, D.O.

Members Present:

Ernest Miller, D.O. – President
Robert Whitler – Vice President
Elizabeth Blatt, Ph.D. – Lay Member

Staff Members Present:

Diana Shepard - Executive Director
Doren Burrell – Legal Counsel

Invited Guest:

Thom Stevens, Representing the WV Physician Assistant Association

AGENDA ITEMS

Legislative Rule Changes:

CSR24-02, Osteopathic Physician Assistants Rule, received comments from the WV Physician Assistant Association regarding the proposed changes for the 2011 Legislative Session. Most discussion issues have been resolved, however, three points remain in debate.

- 1) Pharmacology Requirements for Prescriptive Privileges
Board will require Physician Assistant Students to complete regular, weekly instruction for one year equivalent to 4 semester hours at a minimum. **(Blatt/Whitler)**

- 2) Listing of Minimum Clinical Skills
The list of clinical skills currently in the Rule will be retained and listed as minimum but not limited to.. **(Whitler/Blatt)**

- 3) Prescription Pads and Drug Prescribing Requirements
The proposed language describing what information must be included on a Physician Assistant Prescription Pad was approved. The proposed language requiring submission of a pre-printed prescription form with a list of the drugs approved for the Physician Assistant and a copy of that list to be forwarded to local pharmacies was eliminated from the proposed rule change. **(Blatt/Whitler)**

WV REDI Access to WV Board of Osteopathy Database:

DHHR representatives, Jerry Rhodes and Sebra Jenkins, presented a request at the July 15th Board Meeting for the WV Board of Osteopathy to participate in a Homeland Security-sponsored program for first responders to Local, State or National emergencies. The Board agreed to provide secure access of their licensee database to West Virginia REDI program. (Whitler/Blatt).

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

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President of the Board