

**JOINT COMMITTEE for ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING**  
Alabama Board of Nursing and Alabama Board of Medical Examiners  
848 Washington Ave  
Montgomery, Alabama

Fiscal Year 2013  
January 15, 2013  
Regular Meeting

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

B. Jerome Harrison, MD called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm on January 15, 2013.

The following Committee members were present at the meeting:

Grace Grau, MSN, CRNP  
Cynthia Messer, MSN, RN, CNM  
Carol Stewart, MSN, CRNP  
B. Jerome Harrison, MD  
Beverley Flowers Jordan, MD  
Paul Nagrodzki, MD

Staff members attending the meeting included:

For the Alabama Board of Nursing:  
Charlene Cotton, MSN, RN, Advanced Practice Consultant  
Kristine Jordan, Administrative Assistant

For the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners:

Pat Ward, RN, Inspector  
Deana Bozeman, ABME Collaborative Practice Administration

Visitor attending the meeting:

Dr. Maarten Wybenga

**2. DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum was declared with three nurse members and three physician members present.

**3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS ACT**

Prior notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

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**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**On January 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki moved that the Committee adopt the Agenda, as presented. Ms. Grau seconded. Motion carried without objection.

**5. REVIEW OF MINUTES**

**On January 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki moved that the Joint Committee adopt the minutes of November 15, 2012, with noted corrections. Ms. Grau seconded. Motion carried without objection.

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Legislative Update – verbal reports

The Board of Nursing reviewed the public hearing transcripts on certification process for CRNPs and CNMs to obtain controlled substance prescribing authority. ABN believes expanding the scope of practice of CRNP and CNM to include prescriptive authority for certain controlled substances will improve access to and the quality of care for Alabama's patients. The hearings were attended by 341 individuals; 259 supported ABN as the certifying authority, 23 speakers supported ABME, 16 were undecided and 41 individuals did not speak for the record.. Ms. Cotton stated ABN has not assembled the results of the Public Hearing for posting on the website.

**ON JANUARY 15**, this report was accepted as information by the Joint Committee with no objection.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Celia Lloyd Turnery MD 11042 and Theresa Calhoun CRNP 1-083858

#### **BACKGROUND**

Celia Lloyd Turnery MD 11042 and Theresa Calhoun CRNP 1-083858 have submitted two applications in the past year. The first application was administratively terminated by the Board of Medical Examiners because Dr. Turney did not pay the physician's collaborative practice fee after repeated notices.

The current application was submitted with a starting date of December 10, 2012. As of Jan 9, 2013, the physician's fee had not been paid. Theresa Calhoun and Dr. Turney application is listed on the roster, page 29, item 100, for Remote Site practice with NO covering physician. Ms. Calhoun subsequently submitted notice of termination for Dr. Turney, effective January 31, 2013.

Ms. Calhoun has also applied for collaboration with Dr. Ankrenhah Trimble, DO-1167, and the collaborative practice fee has been paid. The application is attached, but is not on the roster; Dr. Trimble had not been cleared by the BME staff until January 7.

Dr. Nagrodzki asked if ABME would be looking into communicating with Dr. Turney on policy to response in a timely manner and other items in question. Ms. Ward stated an email has already gone out to the physician and a meeting is planned for an in-depth talk.

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Ms. Cotton indicated that ABN has flagged Dr. Turney's record for do not issue a 'Temporary approval letter' until ABME has cleared for any subsequent application.

**ON JANUARY 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki moved to make a recommendation to the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Examiners to approve the advance practice agreement between Theresa Calhoun, CRNP 1-083858 and Dr. Ankrenhah Trimble, DO-1167. Ms. Grau seconded. Motion carried without objection.

## 8. APPLICATIONS FOR COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE

The roster includes all collaborative practice applications that were complete by December 19, 2012. Item numbers refer to the published roster.

### A. Physician Fee Unpaid

As of January 15, 2013, there were no physician fees unpaid to the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners fee.

### B. Terminated during Temporary Approval

As of January 15, 2013, applicants reported termination of collaboration prior to board action.

Item	Time Frame	RN License	Nurse	Physician License	Physician
184	10/10/12 to 12/31/12	1-059372	Eileen Dover	30092	Mark Smith

**On January 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki moved that the Joint Committee approve the applications for collaborative practice as listed on the roster noting the indicated dates of temporary approval and termination. Ms. Grau seconded. Motion carried without objection.

### C. Standard Protocol, Standard Formulary

Items 1 – 37            Covering Physician(s), **Fast Track**  
 Items 38 – 64        No Covering Physician

### D. Standard Protocol, Standard Formulary, **Remote Sites**

Items 65 – 95        Covering Physician(s)  
 Items 96 – 122      No Covering Physician

### E. Standard Protocol, **No Prescriptive Privileges**

Items 123 - 124      Remote Sites, No Covering Physician

Item	RN License	Nurse	Phys License	Physician	Comments
100	1-083858	Theresa Calhoun, CRNP	11042	Celia Lloyd-Turney, MD	Withdrawn
107	1-068843	Robin Doyle, CRNP	30434	Thomas Craig, MD	Withdrawn
118	1-083625	Pamela Trammel, CRNP	21279	Albert Pearsall, MD	Withdrawn

**On January 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki moved for approval of the applications for collaborative practice as listed on the roster items 1 through 124: excluding: items: 100, 107, 118 due to withdrawn agreements prior to board action. Ms. Stewart seconded. Motion carried without objection.

## 9. APPLICATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL REVIEW

The roster of applications includes all applications completed by December 19, 2012 for Collaborative Practice agreements with Additional Duties and/or Restricted Drug Formulary.

### A. Standard Protocol, Standard Formulary, **Additional Duties and Restricted Drug Classifications**

Items 125 - 128	Plus Restricted Drugs, Covering Physician(s)
Items 129	Plus Restricted Drugs, Remote sites, Covering Physician(s)
Items 130 - 135	Additional Skills, Covering Physician(s)
Items 136 - 137	Additional Skills, No Covering Physician(s)
Items 138 - 139	Additional Skills, Remote Sites, Covering Physician(s)
Items 140 - 142	Additional Skills, Remote Sites, No Covering Physician(s)
Items 143	Plus Restricted Drugs, Additional Skills, Covering Physician(s)

Dr. Harrison proposed clarification on the additional formulary of Heavy Metal Antagonist. These drugs are under review within ABME because the usage is obsolete.

Ms. Cotton asked about formulary for desferrioxamine for iron retention disorders?

Dr. Nagrodzki suggested that an alternative would be to remove the antagonist and have the applicants ask for the specific drug they would like to administer.

**On January 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki move to approve collaborative practice agreements 125 to 143 with additional duties and/or drug formulary as stated in the application, with exceptions to item 126 Catherine Roberts, 1-116511 with physician Scott McDaniel 24442 and item 138 Ava English, 1-035296 with physician John Reardon, 25742 that 'Heavy Metals' be denied and approval only for for Iron Dextran IV.

Ms. Grau seconded. Motion carried without objection.

### B. **Modify Existing Collaborative Practice**

Refer to the Roster and attachments for review of:

Items 144 - 176	Additional Practice Site
Items 177 - 201	Additional Skills, and/or Restricted Drugs

Item	RN License	Nurse	Physician License	Physician	Comments
179	1-104433	James Childress, CRNP	25381	Laurie Marzullo, MD	Initial approval deferred Additional Duties / Skills
184	1-059372	Eileen Dover, CRNP	30092	Mark Smith, MD	Terminated

Ms. Ward stated that for item 143 Jill Boren, CRNP 1-088117 and physician Joseph Philips III, 9332 the AMBE requested more information on protocol and procedures for adding formulary of antineoplastic, approved the Neonatal specialty protocol.

Dr. Nagrodzki questioned item 144 Dona Barnes, CRNP 1-054437 and physician Waldemar Carlo, 15593 on the waiver for FTE hours on the neonatologists. His

understanding was that the waiver applied to the practitioners within the same organization.

Ms. Cotton stated that the UAB Neonatology Service has provided CRNP staffing to the Birmingham community hospitals for many years. The service provides the nurse on call in house at all locations with access to a neonatologist on duty. If an infant is in distress, the attending physician on-duty assumes care of the infant. This staffing structure was in place prior to 1995 and it was grandfathered in when the rules implemented.

Dr. Harrison requested clarification on procedure for QA 10% of charts, waiver allows for more than 120 supervised work hours, but not to waive the QA processes. So how are the physicians coping with the large volume of charts that need reviewing? Do we have anything in writing for example from UAB Children's Hospital explaining how the oversight / collaboration QA is accomplished?

Ms. Ward stated her understanding was that all the covering physicians in the group do a part of the review of charts and docs.

Ms. Cotton indicated that most are hospital based practices, so there are exempt from the requirement to document minimum number of hours, all the babies are seen by a physician daily, the nurse practitioners record is co-signed daily. Ms. Cotton has talked with several NPs explaining the physician's co-signature is not the same as a QA review process. At Childrens' Hospital and within UAB nursery, the CRNPs and physicians developed a review process beyond the daily co-signature on records.

Dr. Harrison requested for both boards to have something in writing as to the structure and procedures of each facility in relation to the waiver FTE hours and QA process.

Dr. Harrison questioned item 156 collaborating physician Peter Lodewick, 15124 on does he have an unrestricted license. Ms. Bozeman confirmed Dr Lodewick has an unencumbered license.

Dr. Nagrodzki questioned item 185 Denise Gardner, CRNP 1-051081 and Dr. David Dueland, 17500, including aspiration for shoulder, ankle, elbow, knee and greater trochanteric.

Ms. Ward indicated this has been the same since BME authorized joint aspiration. Greater trochanteric bursa was specified, but hip and wrist were excluded. Dr. Jordan stated that in the orthopedic realm, the aspiration of the ankle and elbow are significantly riskier than the shoulder or knee. In the future, we may need to be a more careful about approvals for ankle and elbow.

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**On January 15,** Ms. Grau moved for approval of the applications for collaborative practice as listed on the roster items 144 through 201: excluding: items: 184 due to termination of agreement prior to board action and item 143 Jill Boren, 1-088117 and physician Joseph Phillips III, 9332 approved with exception to defer formulary for antineoplastics. Dr. Nagrodzki seconded. Motion carried without objection.

**10. INFORMATION AND OTHER BUSINESS**

Ms. Ward stated that Dr. James Johnson and Dr. Michael Brown, UAB MICU, requested reduction in the required procedures for initial privileges for insertion of internal jugular central venous line from 25 procedures down to 10 documented procedures. AMBE requested submission of a revised protocol.

Dr. Harrison stated that BME decided to keep the initial training at 25 procedures with a subsequent 10 annually to keep the skill proficient.

**11. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next meeting of the Joint Committee will be on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Board of Medical Examiners located at 848 Washington Ave, Montgomery, Alabama.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

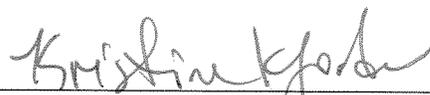
**On January 15**, Dr. Nagrodzki moved for adjournment. Ms. Stewart seconded. Motion carried without objection. The Joint Committee meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m. on January 15, 2012.

  
B. Jerome Harrison, MD Chairperson

  
Date of Approval

Submitted by:

  
Charlene Cotton  
Alabama Board of Nursing

  
Kristine Jordan, Recorder, January 15, 2013  
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