

Direct Entry Midwives Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2016

The February 12, 2016 meeting of the DEMs Advisory Committee Meeting was held in the Board of Nursing Board Room at 10:00 a.m.

Committee members present: Alexa Richardson, Deanna Frank, Jan Kriebs, Julia Perkins, Elizabeth Reiner. Those present by telephone were: Kai Parker; Kathy Talbott; and Caitlin McDonough.

Board staff present: A'Lise Williams, Danielle Baker, Sarah Pendley, Board Counsel; Shirley Devaris, Director of Legislation; Michelle Duell, Deputy Director, BON.

The first item on the agenda was a discussion of the work performed by the Workgroup and the formulary. Alexa Richardson provided the update. Ms. Kriebs expressed her opinion that anti-hemorrhagic proposals are poor practice. There was then discussion to revert to the original formulary and Ms. Richardson had already written compromise language. Ms. Williams explained that the Board of Pharmacy has a problem with a more prescriptive formulary. The addition of Rhogam C was questioned.

The draft of the application needs substantial work to comply with Maryland laws according to Ms. Pendley, AAG. Ms. Duell suggested that everyone fill out an application to assess how it works in use. Ms. Williams said that the IT Department, Legal and Shirley Devaris need to share their input. It was planned that those people have a meeting before the next DEMs Advisory Committee Meeting.

At 11:05 a.m. Ms. Devaris joined the meeting. She stated that the formulary cannot be published as is. The formulary should be a simple list. She will discuss this with DHMH at the 2/19/16 workgroup meeting to avoid delaying the process from moving forward. It was decided to add language to the formulary, "including but not limited to xyz, and any additional Committee/Board approved equipment and devices." Ms. Devaris informed the Committee that she had finished a draft of the regulations and pending any major changes, she can add them to the agenda of the BON for their February meeting. Ms. Devaris also suggested a guidebook/brochure to be given to the LDEMS including the statute and COMAR.

At 11:25 a draft regulation discussion included a possible area for change in statute for the future such as protecting CPM students of CNMs or Physicians.

Respectfully submitted,

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