

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE

FULL BOARD

MINUTES OF MEETING

9 AUGUST 2006

Open Session

Minutes

Board Members in Attendance:

David R. Gifford, MD, MPH, Chair

Patrick Barry, Esq.

Thomas Breslin, MD

Norm Chapman

Margaret Coughlin

Robert Dinwoodie, DO

Joseph DiPietro, Esq.

Richard P. Iacobucci, MD

Noubar Kessimian MD

Henry Litchman, MD

Shelagh McGowan

Board Members Absent:

Charles Cronin, DO

Staff Members in Attendance:

Robert S. Crausman, MD, Chief Administrative Officer

Bruce W. McIntyre, Board Legal Counsel

Linda Julian, Investigator

Mary Salerno, Administrative Officer

Guests:

Stephanie Kissam, MPH, DOH, Chief Program Development

Catherine Cordy, Chief, Pharmacy Board

Donna Buonanno, Chief Compliance Regulations Sec, Pharmacy Board

1. A quorum was established at 8:35 AM.

2. On a motion by Dr. Iacobucci seconded by Dr. Iacobucci it was voted to approve the minutes of the 3 August 2006 Licensing Committee Meeting.

3. On a motion by Mr. Chapman seconded by Dr. Iacobucci it was voted to approve the minutes of the Open Session of the 12 July 2006 meeting with one correction. Mr. DiPietro was listed as approving the May minutes but was absent. Mr. Chapman approved the minutes.

4. Chief Administrative Officer's Report

A. E-Prescribing Policy Draft Statement - On a motion by Dr. Litchman seconded by Mrs. Coughlin it was voted to approve the Draft Policy Statement with changes and post of the BMLD website. Ms. Catherine Cordy, Chief of the Pharmacy Board, gave her support of

the Policy Statement while making note that E-Prescribing is only one part of the Electronic Health Record. This process will give the patient and the prescriber the ability to see the whole picture and the parts eventually need to be integrated to take full advantage of the system.

Issues of security were discussed in regards to the language mentioned in the policy.

B. Dr. Crausman brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Brown University regarding a BMLD disciplinary action against a community-based faculty member, Dr. Fred Vohr. Brown University had set up a system to address this issue in general and Dr. Vohr was the first faculty member with a relevant disciplinary action. The University decided not to renew Dr. Vohr's faculty appointment.

C. Dr. Crausman reviewed with the Board the procedures for voting during full Board meetings.

5. Old Business:

Telemedicine - The "Draft Model Act to Regulate the Practice of Telemedicine Across State Lines" was redistributed and subcommittee members Norm Chapman and Dr. Dinwoodie will meet to review the draft and report back at the next Board Meeting.

6. New business: None

7. At 8:50 AM the Board adjourned to Executive Session.