



MEDICAL COMMITTEE
of the TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD (TRAB)
MEETING MINUTES

Austin-Health and Human Services Commission, MHMR Center
Conference Room 240, 909 W. 45th Street, Austin, Texas 78751
Friday, September 18, 2015 at 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order

Darlene Metter, M.D., Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members present at the meeting: William Campbell; Robert Emery, DrPH; Ian Scott Hamilton, Ph.D.; Nora Janjan, M.D. M.B.A., M.P.S.A.; John Johnson, D.V.M.; Melanie Marshall, D.D.S.;

Members not present: David Nichols, M.D.; and Mark Silberman, M.D., Vice-Chair

2. Introduction of guests

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Lisa Bruedigan, Jerry Cogburn, Joann Harthcock, Alyson Henry, Richard Ratliff, Jo Turkette, and Liz Speights.

3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and/or approval of the minutes of the June 12, 2015, TRAB Medical Committee meeting.

Dr. Emery made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Janjan seconded the motion and the committee unanimously approved the minutes.

4. Continuing Business

A. Update on re-implementation of the radiation safety training in 25 Tex. Administrative Code Sec. 289.227(m)(9)(E)

Mr. Campbell motioned to recommend to the Board that a letter be sent to Governor Abbott to re-implement the required fluoroscopy safety training. Dr. Johnson seconded the motion and the committee unanimously approved.

B. 10 CFR 20 update, comment period ended 06/22/15; update on 1-131 CRCPD and IAEA on patient compliance

This subject is tabled for the next meeting.

C. Texas Medical Physicist Board update on the medical physicist certification under the Texas Medical Board (TMB)

Mr. Ratliff provided an update of the transition of medical physicist certification to the Texas Medical Board.

D. Medical Committee support in reorganizing the medical physics committee at TMB

No comments

E. Radiation sources disposal/protection and security issue; current status

Mr. Ratliff discussed the financial security for disposal of radioactive sources.

5. New Business

A. Dermatologist's use of superficial electronic brachytherapy for skin cancer.

Concerns: training, how is total dose assessed.

Ms. Bruedigan provided an update and at this time DSHS will not change the rules. The discussion to send a letter recommending radiology oncologist standards of practice to Texas Medical Board was tabled for the next meeting.

B. FDA Center of Devices of Radiological Health. Rules not updated for 20 yrs.

Change to IEC standards. If manufacturer claims that a device is not new, there is no oversight. Only oversight on new devices. Summary of issue.

Ms. Bruedigan discussed the economic impact for the state to buy the IEC standards (\$3000/per person). IEC Board meets monthly with the potential to make changes. How are the states notified about the changes?

6. Public Comments

None

7. Summarize Committee meeting and recommendations for Committee Report and proposed action items for TRAB.

Recommend letter from Board to Governor requesting re-implementation of the fluoroscopy radiation safety training

8. Identification of Agenda Items for next Medical Committee Meeting

A. Update: Dermatologist's use of superficial electronic brachytherapy for skin cancer

B. Update: FDA Center of Devices of Radiological Health rules change to IEC standards

C. Update: Re-implementation of the radiation safety training in 25 Tex. Administrative Code Sec. 289.227(m)(9)(E)

D. Update: 10 CFR 20, comment period ended 06/22/15; update on 1-131 CRCPD and IAEA on patient compliance (Flynn)

E. Update: Texas Medical Physicist Board update on the medical physicist certification under the Texas Medical Board (TMB) (Ratliff)

9. Adjourn

Dr. Metter adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.