



**TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES  
MEDICAL COMMITTEE**

Department of State Health Services, 8407 Wall Street in the Exchange Building,  
Room S-125, Austin, Texas  
Friday, August 19, 2011  
9:00 AM

**1. Call to Order**

Darlene Metter, M.D., Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. A quorum was present. Members present: David Nichols, M.D.; Melanie Marshall, D.D.S.; Nora Janjan, M.D., M.B.A., MPSA; Mark Silberman, M.D.; and Robert Emery, Dr.P.H. Members absent: Ian Hamilton, Ph.D.

**2. Introduction of guests**

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Barbara Taylor, Alice Rogers, Jo Turkette, Shannon Edson, Carolyn Wright, Chris Myers, June Ayers, Darice Bailey and Monica Perez

Guests present: Pete Myers, South Texas Chapter of the Health Physics Society

**3. Adoption of the minutes of the May 20, 2011 meeting**

Dr. Emery made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Nichols seconded the motion and the committee approved the minutes. Dr. Janjan abstained from voting.

**4. Old Business**

**A. Update to Department of State Health Services rules, 25 Texas Administrative Code §289.227, Draft 6 revision, of "Use of Radiation Machines in the Healing Arts"**

Ms. Taylor discussed the revisions to the draft rule with the committee.

**5. New Business**

**A. Department of State Health Services, proposed rule changes to 25 Texas Administrative Code §289.204, concerning Fees for Certificates of Registration, Radioactive Material Licenses, Emergency Planning and Implementation, and Other Regulatory Services**

Ms. Taylor and Ms. Wright discussed the proposed fee changes with the committee.

**B. Discuss the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) public workshop, in Houston, on possible changes to the definition of "medical events," as well as other potential revisions of NRC regulations on the medical uses of radioactive materials**

No members present attended the public workshop in Houston.

**C. Presentation of pediatric dentistry concern for 3-D cone beam imaging scans**

The presentation will be made at the next committee meeting.

**D. Discussion of pediatric nuclear medicine dose recommendation: “Administered activity for children should be determined based on body weight and should be as low as reasonably achievable for diagnostic image quality.” (*North American Consensus Guidelines for Administration of Radiopharmaceutical Activities in Children and Adolescents*)**

Dr. Metter made a PowerPoint presentation titled *Radiation Safety Culture: Challenges in the Medical Professions*.

**E. American College of Radiology (ACR) initiatives**

**i. Initial discussions on implementing the *Image Gently* and *Image Wisely* campaigns in Texas**

**ii. Initial discussion of possible implementation of a CT Dose Registry in Texas**

The committee briefly discussed these issues.

**6. Public Comment**

None

**7. Formulate recommendations on any agenda items to be considered by the full Board**

Dr. Emery suggested that a discussion of dose limits to the Eye be on the next committee agenda.

**8. Adjourn**

Dr. Metter adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.