

COLORADO PHYSICAL THERAPY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

OPEN MINUTES

November 15, 2006

I. CONVENE

The meeting of the Physical Therapy Advisory Committee was convened in Conference Room 1300 at 1560 Broadway, Denver, Colorado, 80202, at 10:11 a.m. on November 15, 2006.

Members present:

Kathleen Brannan, PT
Jytte Evelyn Hale-Helps, PT
Michael A. Keirns, PT
Cristina Rathke-Bishop, PT
Dina Robke, LCSW
Brett A. Siegel, Public Member

Staff present:

Rosemary McCool, Director
Kevin D. Heupel, Section Director
Vaña Montgomery, Adm. Asst.

Public:

Ellen Caruso, Executive Director of the APTA, Colorado Chapter.

II. NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of this open meeting of the Physical Therapy Advisory Committee was posted on the Physical Therapy Web site and in the reception area at 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350 pursuant to the Division of Registrations policy.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for the July 26, 2006 meeting were approved.

IV. REPORTS

Director

Rosemary McCool explained to the Committee that Tambor Williams would be leaving the Department at the end of the year due to the change in Governors.

Program Director:

Kevin Heupel informed the Committee that he attended the FSBPT Annual Meeting held in Portland, Oregon on September 9-11, 2006 with Kate Brannan and Cristina Rathke-Bishop. Areas of interest at the meeting were discipline and ethics. The FSBPT has developed tools to assist in ethical decision making and determining competence. The CAPS and RIPS tools discussed at the meeting may assist with setting probationary terms.

Kevin was invited to speak to the physical therapy students at Regis last month. He will speak to the students at University of Colorado Health Science Center next month.

Kathleen Brannan:

Kathleen Brannan informed the Committee that Kathleen Barnes did a presentation on 10 Easy Ways to Lose Your License at the FSBPT annual meeting. The presentation covered boundary violations, substance abuse, professional discipline, fraud, patient abuse, unethical behavior, record keeping, unlicensed practice and substandard care.

Cristina Rathke-Bishop

Cristina Rathke-Bishop attended the FSBPT annual meeting presentation on competency. She informed the Committee on how the public, regulators and professionals have differing views of physical therapy competency. She provided information on the reasons for burnout and why some professionals are high risk.

APTA:

Ellen Caruso informed the Committee that athletic trainers will seek licensure in the 2007 legislative session and that occupational therapists would not, given the Sunrise Report.

The APTA National Convention will be in Colorado at the Denver Convention Center in June 2007.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Items

1. FSBPT Call for Research Proposals

Kevin Heupel and Mike Keirns will prepare and submit an application for a FSBPT research grant on best practices of jurisdictions in the areas of professional and public awareness.

2. APTA Litigation Resolved

The APTA and the FSBPT have resolved their dispute over the fees for the NPTE. The NPTE fee will remain \$350 through 2009, with set limits on any increases in the fee that may occur thereafter, through the expiration of the contract between the APTA and the FSBPT in 2014.

3. 2007 Meeting Dates

The Committee approved the meeting dates for 2007.

4. 2006 Occupational Therapists and Occupational Assistants Sunrise Review

Occupational Therapists and Occupational Assistants under went a Sunrise review. Due to the lack of documentation showing a need for licensure, DORA will not support licensure for Occupational Therapists and Occupational Assistants.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. PTAC Retreat

The July 26, 2006 retreat minutes were approved as revised.

VII. ADDITIONS TO OPEN SESSION

A. Handouts from the FSBPT annual meeting

Kevin provided copies of the handouts from the FSBPT annual meeting to the Committee.

At 10:55 a.m. the Committee concluded general business and convened into executive session pursuant to § 12-41-117(6), § 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), and § 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(I)(B), C.R.S., to discuss complaints, investigations and other matters related to ongoing or potential disciplinary actions, and to discuss matters that are the subject of imminent or ongoing litigation and fall within the attorney-client privilege.

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Kevin D. Heupel,
Section Director