

Direct Entry Midwives Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
November 20, 2015

The November 20, 2015 meeting of the DEM Advisory Committee was held at 4140 Patterson Avenue in the Board of Nursing Board Room.

Those present were the following Committee members: Dr. Hal Fox; Jan Kriebs, CNM, MSN, FACNM; Julia Perkins, CNM, MSN; Alexa Richardson, CPM; Deana Frank, Consumer Member; Kathy Talbott, Caitlin, McDonough; and Elizabeth Reiner, CMP, LM (via phone).

Also present were Board Staff, A'lise Williams, Director of Nursing Practice (via phone); and Danielle Baker, Secretary, BON, Nursing Practice.

The meeting was called to Order at 10:00 a.m. Those in attendance introduced themselves, stated their work setting and their involvement with the DEM Advisory Committee.

The officers of the DEM Advisory Committee were announced as Alexa Richardson, Chairperson; Kai Parker, Vice Chairperson, and Elizabeth Reiner, Secretary. The Committee then approved the workgroup members. The meeting dates for the workgroup are November 24, 2015 and December 16, 2015. Those members have been so informed.

The Committee announced that they were still reviewing applications for the staff person. There were some good candidates, and there was hope that the position would be filled by the end of 2015.

The CEUs are on the agenda for Board of Nursing Meeting in December. The Ethics Commission has requested that those who have not completed their questionnaire do so. A'lise Williams will e-mail the information to those who must fill out the questionnaire.

Elizabeth Reiner indicated she would send the minutes to Board staff for distribution.

There was discussion regarding the Refusal to Transfer language. It was decided to keep the language of the bill, use one signature, and change #5 to read: "Complete the standard transfer form which is given to the receiving provider."

Ms. Williams informed the Committee that it was not certain as to whether the Nursing Board will utilize an electronic form of the application or a paper format. She would request attendance of a Board IT staff person at the next meeting. She was to check with Legal regarding verification of address. After discussion, the Committee made the following recommendations:

- Legal to check on whether NARM or ACMB certification can verify a high school diploma.
- If the applicant was certified as a CPM prior to January 15, 2017, applicant may alternatively submit evidence of graduation from high school.
- Include properly formatted passport style photo
- Remove "expiration of current CCA cycle"
- Specify acceptable CPR
- Transcripts from programs completed (MEAC or ACME)
- Change language: "The direct-entry midwife shall practice In Maryland according to the scope and standards defined by law and regulation."

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- Add yes or no questions regarding previous disciplinary action, felonies, civil claims and torts. If yes answer, include a one-page or less description of the action including any actions by another state.
- List any other states where licensed or previously licensed. (Look at Maryland standard credentialing packet.)
- Criminal background check – clarify other CJIS sites and obtain a code from A'lise.

The Committee discussed the formulary and requested ways to obtain the medications. Ms. McDonough will discuss options to bring to workgroup with Lee Wood.

The Workgroup meetings will be facilitated by Alexa Richardson and Caitlin McDonough. A'lise Williams will create the agenda to be sent out by Danielle Baker. It was suggested that the workgroup be comprised of volunteers.

For "Areas for Regulation", the Committee will review pages 25 and 26 for next meeting. Approved educational experience means a student engaged in NARM or ACME approval process. Ms. Richardson will provide an information sheet about how to meet the Maryland requirements and will reach out to Birth Care and Women's Health and Special Beginnings. Ms. Williams and Ms. Richardson will contact Vital Records to find Nurse mid-wives who provide home birth services.

It was decided that the Committee will meet the second Friday of every month from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Board of Nursing.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexa Richardson, CPM