

Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine
Public Board Meeting
April 13, 2015

Present: Greg Eckel, ND, Board Chair; Patrick Chapman, ND, Sara Ohgushi, ND; Lissa McNiell, ND; Sheila Myers, ND, Dwight Adkins, Public Member; Charles Wiggins, Public Member; Anne Walsh, Executive Director.

The Board went into Public Session at 12:02pm.

Executive Session Motions: –S. Ohgushi made a motion to dismiss without action in **N14-11-38** and **N14-12-41N**, P. Chapman seconded; members present were in agreement. S. Ohgushi made a motion to approve the license application in **N15-01-02A** and **N15-02-04A**, P. Chapman seconded; members present were in agreement. S. Ohgushi made a motion to open an investigation in the following cases: **N15-03-05**, **N15-03-06** and **N15-04-07**, P. Chapman seconded; members present were in agreement.

Meeting Minutes: – P. Chapman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the February 9, 2015 board meeting with noted corrections, S. Ohgushi seconded; members present were in agreement.

Administrative Rules: – P. Chapman made a motion to adopt as permanent **OAR 850-030-0195** (license renewal requirements-clarification of CE from inactive to active status); **OAR 850-035-0230** (certification to practice natural childbirth-clarification of requirements); and **OAR 850-040-0210** (continuing education-culture competency), D. Adkins seconded; members present were in agreement. One comment was received in favor of the addition of cultural competence to CE.

The addition of LEDS check (background check to be performed with renewals) has been initiated; public comment is open until April 30, 2015.

North America Naturopathic Continuing Education Accreditation Council (NANCEAC): – This will be the new national continuing education accreditation program which will approve CE providers and their CE offerings for the Naturopathic profession. This will take a weight off the OBNM office. OBNM may continue to approve more local, one time offerings. The OBNM will need to make changes to the CE approval process (OAR 850, Division 40) once this organization is fully operational.

OAR 850-060-0226 – P Chapman presented the Formulary Council report, in which changes were recommended to the formulary rule. S. Myers made a motion to accept the recommendations from the formulary council, P. Chapman seconded; members present were in agreement.

General Business:

Formulary Council Report – Cerdelga is a new drug that was discussed at the March 17 meeting and the council would like Cerdelga added to the formulary list, even though it is very infrequently used. The council also recommended that the restriction of Barbiturates in 850-060-0226(8)(c) be removed with the allowance of barbiturates for anticonvulsant purposes only and other uses (850-06-0226(8)(f)) such as anxiolytics, sedatives, or hypnotics remain in rule as restricted; remove the restriction in (8)(d)(B) in the same rule allowing the use of atypical antipsychotics; and correct a few spelling errors. There was continued discussion on amending the rule to be exclusionary rather than inclusive; this request will again go to the OANP as legislatively it may be considered an expansion/change in the scope of practice. FC member Natalie Gustafson PharmD, is having interns review 850-060-0225 to make sure all listed drugs are found in a classification of -0226, before requesting that it be removed as a rule. Again there was discussion on ND's authority to prescribe medical marijuana, another matter for the OANP.

Grand Round – P. Chapman, S. Ohgushi and G. Eckel will be doing a Grand Round presentation at NCNM May 11, 2015 at 7:30am, in an effort to bring better awareness of who the board

is and what its responsibilities are including disciplinary process, prescribing responsibilities, record keeping/charting, and ND/Patient interactions (aka handling difficult patients). S. Ohgushi will work on an outline with C. Wiggins, P. Chapman, and G. Eckel.

Legislation/Board Membership – SB 281 passed the Senate and will be headed to the House. SB 230 under the Oregon Health Authority, the Oregon Workforce (OWF) will require the collection of data as part of the license renewal from all health care professionals within the state of Oregon. OWF plans on collecting a \$5.00 fee from all health care professionals with each renewal, along with the data. The intent of this program is to see what and where the health care workforce is in Oregon, and determine citizen needs. A. Walsh will continue watching legislation on this program and will keep the board apprised.

Opioid Prescribing Guidelines/Policy – P. Chapman, C. Wiggins and K. Wilson found a workable document suitable for policy to be adopted by the OBNM for ND practice. The document will be available on the OBNM website as a resource for ND's. A. Walsh will work with P. Chapman of making sure the site provides useful and accurate resources for licensees.

C. Wiggins suggests the OBNM consider requiring the use of the PDMP by any ND prescribing opiates, and that an ND be required to notify the Board (in a manner established by the OBNM) when doing any prescribing that includes opiates and benzodiazepines or when prescribing controlled substances over a determined quantity/dosage.

Strategic Planning Update – A. Walsh put together a list of statutes that need to be updated, and is working with D. Adkins to see what can be done to fix them.

Injection Therapy – The FDA is defining compounding when you mix three or more prepared substances together. G. Eckel will do some additional research on the topic and report his findings at a future meeting.

CE Program Considerations (OANP) – With all the new regulations with ND's now recognized as PCPs, OANP would like to get CE approval for record keeping and patient management. The program OANP is putting together falls within the CE rules.

Directors Report: The budget is moving forward. There are seven co-located health boards who will be hiring an accountant to better streamline the accounting processes after July 1.

Peer Review Audit – The OBNM reviewed the peer review audit conducted by other peer health licensing agencies. The audit determined that the OBNM is a well managed state licensing agency. Ms Walsh will respond with the Board's approval.

Miscellaneous:

IV medication ordering – If the medication is not FDA approved in the United States, can you order the medication and give to the patient? The OBNM cannot give approval or disapproval on this practice. The board discussed the question and needs more clarity before taking a position on this issue.

Agricultural hemp – The Board cannot give a written statement due to complications of state and federal regulations. The question will go to the formulary council.

Public Comment: No one was in attendance to provide public comment.

As there was no more business to discuss, the Board adjourned at 2:37pm.

The Board went back into public session at 2:38 to take a vote on appointing the Board Chair. Dwight Adkins was nominated and with unanimous approval he was appointed the new Board Chair effective with the next Board meeting.

Board meeting was adjourned at 2:40pm.

Board members worked on CE after the close of the meeting.