

## **OBNM Formulary Council**

### **October 29, 2014 - Meeting Minutes**

**Present:** Kevin Wilson, ND; John Block, PhD.; Patrick Chapman, ND; Natalie Gustafson, PharmD; Dohn Kruschwitz, MD; Justin Bednar, RPh; Anne Walsh, Executive Director. There is one vacant position still needing to be filled.

Opened at 9:33am.

**March 12, 2014 Minutes:** The minutes from the March 12, 2014 meeting were not available for review. The note for the Board meeting was to recommend the addition of Interferons and Dimethyl Fumerate to the formulary.

**Best Practices in Opiate Prescribing:** K Wilson, P Chapman and C Wiggins went to training in opioid prescribing and will be working on the policy and guidelines for the OBNM to review and approve for future use by licensees. (and possibly other prescribers)

There are standards of care on this practice and NDs should follow some simple protocols for safety, without restricting practice. Documentation is important part of this protocol. Once a policy is in place the Board may look at offering CE credit for a course on the policy (with Q&A) in an effort to educate more doctors.

**Drug Review Applications:** The FC reviewed the FDA-Approved Drug List.

There was discussion on the most current FDA approved drug list (newly added drugs).

There were no oncology drugs that will be included for prescribing by NDs.

Cerdelga will need a new classification, if one has not been established by the AHFS. Ms. Walsh will forward this to FC members. This will be tabled until the March (spring) meeting.

There was additional discussion of approaching the legislature in the near future to make the formulary exclusionary. As it is now, it is cumbersome for pharmacists and licensees. (This is a task for the OANP, since the legislature will consider this a change in scope of practice)

**Motions from FC going to the Board:** No motion for additions to the rule with the exception of Cerdelga.

There was discussion of 850-060-0225. Ms. Walsh made a request that each council member research a portion of this rule and determine if the listed drug is classified in 850-060-0226 in order to delete this rule which is confusing to many. N. Gustafson has offered to take this project; she has some interns who will benefit from this opportunity.

**OBP Drug Dispensing Requirements:** There is still some concern with the language and concept of this rule. OBNM's concern is that the OBP will be disciplining NDs and the OBNM will not know of it, unless OBP notifies the OBNM. There was discussion on asking the OBNM to look at some guidelines/rules on drug storage in the office to be proactive in the matter of this rule.

There was talk of requiring NDs having controlled substances in office to be registered with the ONBM, charging a fee if necessary for administration and regulate this rather than relinquishing this oversight to OBP.

Homeopathics are one that might confuse a Rx inspector.

The OBNM and the OANP will be watching this as it develops.

**Legalized Marijuana:** NDs cannot currently write for marijuana cards. Legal marijuana consumption will be in law effective July 1, 2015 and will be taxed; medical marijuana card holders will be viewed differently. NDs should be able to write cards; OANP may want to look at legislation to change this.

Suboxone – is excluded the way the law reads now; this too should have NDs as prescribers.

**Council Member:** There is still a vacancy; to be filled by the following qualification: “(e) two additional members appointed by the council who hold an advanced degree in a medical or pharmaceutical science”.

**Next Meeting Date:**

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for March 17, 2015 (Changed to Tuesday this one time). Start time 9:30 am.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35am.