BOARD OF MEDICAL RADIOGRAPHY CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES December 9, 2022

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Medical Radiography was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Randy Prouty, RT, Vice-Chairperson, at Hampton Inn, Lincoln Board Room, 7343 Husker Circle, Lincoln, NE. Copies of the agenda were sent to the Board members, media and other interested parties prior to the meeting. The following members answered roll call.

Randy Prouty, RT, Vice-Chairperson (via WebEx) Challese Sanchez, RT, Secretary Brandon Holt, RT (via WebEx) Michael De Witt, R.T. Anita Menousek, L.R.T.

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened. Also present were Jesse Cushman, Program Manager; Vonda Apking, Health Licensing Coordinator; Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, Department Attorney (via WebEx); Jennifer Miralles, Department Attorney (via WebEx); and Kathleen Krueger (via WebEx), Investigator.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sanchez moved, seconded by Prouty, to approve the agenda as presented. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

August 12, 2022

Holt moved, seconded by Prouty, to approve the minutes from August 12, 2022 as presented. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS, COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORTS, CASES FROM ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & APPLICATION REVIEW – CLOSED SESSION

Sanchez moved, seconded by Prouty, to close the session at 2:06 p.m. to review Investigational Reports, Applications and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

The Board members returned to open session at 2:22 p.m.

APPLICATION REVIEW

Holt moved, seconded by De Witt, to recommend issuing a medical radiographer license to Niki Seuntjens. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Holt moved, seconded by Prouty, to recommend issuing a medical radiographer license to Yanaira Hernandez. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Holt moved, seconded by Sanchez, to recommend issuing a temporary medical radiographer license to Josefina Herrera. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

RATIFY E-MAIL BALLOTS SINCE LAST MEETING

Staff read into the minutes that the Board of Medical Radiography voted on the following email ballots since the last meeting:

• Kelsey Waggoner – Board voted to issue her a Medical Radiographer license. Issued #6072 on 11/102022.

<u>PRACTICE QUESTION – CLARIFICATION OF USE OF SALINE WITH CONTRAST STUDIES</u> (<u>DENISE LOGAN</u>)

Clarification on Doctor's Supervision/Directing Fluoroscopic Procedures?

The question referred to whether or not a physician can provide supervision virtually when performing a fluoroscopic procedure. The Board of Medicine and Surgery reviewed this same question but decided not to provide a response and refer the individual to their own legal counsel. The Board recommended consulting your own legal counsel. This is not addressed specifically in the Statutes. The Medicine and Surgery Practice Act and Regulations; the Medical Radiography Practice Act and Regulations; the Uniform Credentialing Act and the Nebraska Telehealth Act can all be reviewed on the DHHS public website:

https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Medicine-and-Surgery.aspx https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Medical-Radiography.aspx

Use of Lidocaine as a Part of Proper Use of Contrast Media

Holt explained that this question came to him and her referred them to the Department. The individual initially informed Holt that it was for patient comfort. The question is regarding the use of lidocaine by a medical radiographer when starting an IV for the use of contrast media. The Board did not see topical lidocaine as an issue. The Board discussed whether there should be a specific response. The response should be broad. Holt moved, seconded by Prouty, to have Mr. Cushman respond with his draft response. Voting aye: De Witt, Holt, Menousek, Prouty, Sanchez. Voting nay: none. Absent: none. Motion carried.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

Mr. Cushman informed the Board members that he will be reopening the regulations Title 172 NAC 93 to reflect the new reciprocity language at a later date.

AMERICAN REGISTRY OF RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS (ARRT) LIMITED SCOPE EXAMINATION AND BONE DENSITOMETRY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR EXAMINATION STATISTICS

Nothing was discussed at this time.

The next meeting should be scheduled for February 17, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signature on file with the Department)

Challese Sanchez, RT, Secretary Board of Medical Radiography