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MEDICAL COMMITTEE
of the TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD (TRAB)
MEETING MINUTES

Austin-Health and Human Services Commission, MHMR Center
Conference Room 240, 909 W. 45th Street, Austin, Texas 78751
Friday, February 28, 2020 at 9:00 AM

Members: Darlene Metter, M.D., Chair; Mark Silberman, M.D., Vice Chair; Thierno Barry; Will Pate, DrPH.; Mark Harvey, Ph.D.; Doug Posey, D.V.M.; Neal Leavell, D.D.S.; and Simon Trubek, M.D.; and Lynn Slaney Silguero

1. Call to Order

Dr. Metter called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum was present.

Members present at the meeting: Thierno Barry; Mark Harvey, Ph.D.; Neal Leavell, D.D.S.; Darlene Metter, M.D., Chair; Will Pate, DrPH.; Mark Silberman, M.D., Vice-Chair; Simon Trubek, M.D.; and Lynn Silguero

Member not present: Doug Posey, D.V.M.

2. Introduction of guests

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Lisa Bruedigan, Kaylie Cox, Alyson Henry; Stephanie Lopez, Stacey McLarty, Shannon Quinn, Liz Speights and Karl VonAhn.

Diane Rhodes, Texas Dental Association

3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and/or approval of the minutes of the November 22, 2019 TRAB Medical Committee meeting

Dr. Silberman made a motion to approve the minutes. Dr. Leavell seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Public Comments

None

5. Routine and Continuing Business

A. Report and review the Regulatory Guide 4.4 Dental Facilities

Dr. Leavell reviewed the Regulatory Guide 4.4 and felt the guide was clear and concise. Ms. Bruedigan requested for all edits to be sent to her attention. A podcast was recorded by Ms. Bruedigan and Ms. Rhodes, and will be posted on the DSHS Radiation, and Texas Dental Association webpages. "TDA SoundByte Episode 5: The Truth about New Dental X-Ray Equipment Regulations" podcast can be found on many channels by using the podcast title. Ms. Rhodes suggested for DSHS to contact Dr. Boyd Bush at Texas State Board of Dental Examiners to share this information to ensure all dentists will have access to this information.

B. Advisory Committee on the Medical Uses of Isotopes (ACMUI) Training and Experience update

Dr. Metter discussed the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Commissioner is reviewing the recommendations for potential changes in training and experience requirements for the administration of radiopharmaceuticals. Also, the NRC "Regulatory Guide 8.39 Release of Patients Administered Radioactive Materials" teleconference is March 11, 2020.

C. Gonadal shielding issue as recommended by American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM)

Ms. Bruedigan discussed no new information is available at this time and the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) and Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD) will publish statements in the near future.

D. Best practices for monitoring occupational eye dose limits

Ms. Bruedigan presented a draft document for the Medical Committee to review.

E. Advisory Statement for a Better Understanding of Radiation with International System of Units (SI) Conversion

Dr. Pate made a motion to approve the revised advisory statement with the International System of Units (SI) Conversion. Dr. Trubek seconded the motion and the advisory statement was unanimously approved.

6. New Business

A. Identify topics to recommend for further discussion and/or to be addressed at future meetings of the Medical Committee; Topic Committee; Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee; or full Board

- i. Update: Changes in the delivery systems of Y90 infusions used in therapy - Bruedigan
- ii. Texas facilities use of electronic irradiators – Bruedigan
- iii. Recommendation of guidance relating to training and experience for non-physician (i.e. Physician's Assistant, Registered Nurse) requirements moved to Texas Medical Board. Stacey will invite a representative to speak at the next Board Meeting.

7. Summarize Committee meeting and recommendations for Committee Report and proposed action items for TRAB.

A. Revised Better Understanding of Radiation Advisory Statement

8. Dr. Metter adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.