



Georgia Board for Physician Workforce

State of Georgia

GEORGIA BOARD FOR PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE

November 5, 2005
09:05 A.M. – 10:35 A.M.

Board Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Ralph Austin, Jr., M.D., Chair
J. Daniel Hanks, Jr., M.D., F.A.C.R.
David A. Rearick, D.O., MBA
Joe Sam Robinson, Jr., M.D.
D. Wayne Martin, MBA
Andrew P. Morley, Jr., M.D.
Reuben S. Roberts, Jr., M.D.
Edward D. Conner, M.D.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Robert H. Sasser, D.D.S.; Jacinto Del Mazo, M.D.;
Martin Moran, M.D.; Vicki Williams Morgan, M.D.;
Robert B. Copeland, M.D.

GUESTS

Dan Blumenthal, M.D., Morehouse School of Medicine
Marilane Bond, Ed.D., MBA, Emory U. School of Medicine
Fay Brown, Georgia Academy of Family Physicians
John R. Bucholtz, D.O., The Medical Center, Inc.
Alan Dever, Ph.D., M.T., M.D. (*Hon*) Atlanta Medical Center
Frank Don Diego, M.D., Atlanta Medical Center
Linda Womack, Emory University
Paul Forney, M.D., Medical College of Georgia
Fred Girton, M.D., Medical Center of Central Georgia
Dee Hanson, Mercer University School of Medicine
Marcia Hutchinson, M.D., Medical Center of Central Georgia
Shade Omole, M.D., Morehouse School of Medicine

STAFF

Benjamin Robinson, Peggy Shull, Kelly McNamara
Olive Jones Golden

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CALL TO ORDER	Dr. Ralph Austin called the GBPW Board meeting to order at 09:05 a.m. and waived majority.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	<p><u>ACTION</u></p> <p>On MOTION (Austin/Morley), the minutes from the August 6, 2005 meeting of the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce were approved.</p>
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT	<p>Dr. Austin stated that there would no Chairman's report and thanked everyone for coming.</p> <p>Mr. Robinson introduced employees Olive Jones-Golden as the new administrative assistant and Kim Jackson the coordinator for Matching Services.</p>
MEAC COMMITTEE REPORT	<p><u>DISCUSSION</u></p> <p>Dr. Don Deigo addressed the Board members and reported that at the August 2005 Board meeting, the MEAC was asked to prepare an overview presentation on the process of ACGME and LCME accreditation. In September, MEAC unanimously agreed there was a need to give an overview of common program requirements for residency programs and the institutional requirements for teaching hospitals. He introduced Marilane Bond, Assistant Dean for GME at Emory who made the presentation.</p> <p>Ms. Bond's presentation lasted approximately 45 minutes and summarized the following GME issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACGME Overview <p>The ACGME is responsible for the accreditation of post M.D. medical training programs through a peer review process based upon established standards and guidelines. The primary functions of the ACGME are to develop Institutional Requirements governing all residency programs; approve Program Requirements for each medical specialty, subspecialty; and establish policy and implement the mechanisms for evaluation and accreditation of residency programs and sponsoring institutions.</p> • Residency Review Committees (RRCs) <p>The primary functions of the RRC is to propose Program Requirements for the specialty; review residency programs to determine compliance; and determine the accreditation status of the programs.</p>

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- The Accreditation Standards
The “green book” has all Program and Institutional Requirements listed for maintaining accreditation.
- Common Program Requirements
Currently there are two specific requirements that challenge and place increasing responsibilities on the programs, (a) residents duty hours and (b) ACGME Outcome Project
- The ACGME Outcome Project
Programs must evaluate residents in six general competencies on a quarterly basis. Two major goals are to ensure: programs’ educational content is aligned with changing needs of the health care system; and programs have outcome assessment systems to measure educational effectiveness. The ACGME website lists accreditation results. Additionally, Mr. Robinson raised concerns with the fact that the ACGME is still developing these outcomes. Ultimately, they may not secure agreement with these outcomes by 2011/12.
- Institutional Review
Used to determine if institutions sponsoring ACGME-accredited programs are in compliance with the institutional guidelines. Unfavorable actions at the institutional level could result in withdrawal of accreditation of the institution’s GME programs.

Dr. Austin thanked Ms. Bond for the presentation.
Mr. Robinson expressed concern regarding costs in time and resources for residency programs to comply with ACGME Outcome Project.

Dr. Morley emphasized the importance of moving forward to define quality measures and suggested the matter be addressed at the January meeting of the Physician Workforce Committee.

ACTION

On **MOTION** (Morley/Rearick) the Board referred the matter of quality indicators to the Physician Workforce Committee for actionable discussion.

OLD BUSINESS
Medicaid Match**DISCUSSION**

Mr. Robinson reported that DCH issued a public notice and approved Physician Upper Payments limits for Medicaid reimbursement. This new initiative, which must be approved

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	<p>by CMS, involves the participation of faculty practice plans and should provide matching funds for Medical education.</p>
	<p><u>ACTION</u> This item was reported for information purposes.</p>
<i>GBPW Contracts</i>	<p><u>DISCUSSION</u> The GBPW contracts are being reviewed by the Attorney General's Office. More information should be available within the next two months. Dr. Morley wanted to know if the AG review indicated the need for legislation and if so, would that advice be timely for introduction of bills during next session. Mr. Robinson responded, no.</p>
	<p><u>NEXT STEPS</u> Staff will report the Attorney General's recommendations to the Board once received.</p>
<i>Nominating Committee</i>	<p><u>DISCUSSION/ ACTION</u> On Motion (Austin/Rearick), the Board accepted the recommendation of the nominating committee. Dr. Austin will assume the position of chair, and Dr. Morgan will serve as Vice Chair.</p>
<i>NEW BUSINESS Executive Director's Report</i>	<p><u>DISCUSSION</u> Mr. Robinson announced that the Governor appointed a new commissioner of the Department of Community Health, Dr. Rhonda Medows, effective December 1, 2005.</p> <p>Mr. Robinson referred Board members to the FY2007 Budget Request. The 104% enhancement budget reflected the Board's requested changes to Preventive Medicine and Residency Capitation.</p> <p>Mr. Robinson reported the Georgia Board for Physician Workforce FY2007 Budget has been submitted to the Governor's Office (OPB). The budget request includes an increase in revenue. OPB cautioned the impact of hurricane refugees may absorb any increases in state revenue. Dr. Morley asked if licenses were being offered to out of state physicians. The response was no, but that they were being given permission to practice in Georgia.</p> <p>Mr. Robinson reported that 2004 licensure data was almost complete. A report will be submitted to the Physician Workforce Committee for review and discussion.</p>

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No official action was taken. The Executive Director's report was provided for information purposes.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Dr. Austin stated the next Board meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2006.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Austin requested that the Board members remain for brief Executive session to discuss personnel matters.

OPEN SESSION

On Motion (Austin/Rearick) the Board unanimously approved the annual performance increase for Ben Robinson, Executive Director.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David A. Rearick, D.O., MBA
Secretary /Treasurer

