

LM Advisory Board Minutes

Time/Date: 9:30a-12p, March 15, 2019

Location: First Floor large conference room, Colgate Building
2040 S. Pacheco, Santa Fe; 505-476-8999

Old business:

Present- Louise Self, Jessica Frechette-Gutfreund, Elena Campili Stauss, Kelly Gould, Carolina Nkouaga, Sarah Gopman, Katie Avery, Katrina Nardini

Present by Phone- Felina Ortiz

Absent- None

Guest- Ann Washburn, NMDOH General Counsel; Laliv Zang, LM Student; Lara Goldsmith, LM Student; Karen Brown, member of the public

Minutes Approval (Katrina)

Unanimously Approved

Board member update (Katrina)

- Sarah Gopman's last meeting will be in May
- Discussion continued about possible MD board members
- LM Advisory Board new Consumer member is being vetted now
- Felina Ortiz and Louise Self are up for renewal September 2019

MCO reimbursement issues/newborn screening kits (Katie/Louise)

No Update

Legislative updates:

1. "Procuring Medication" update (Katie/Jessica)

- Opening LM Rule with passage the "Lay Midwife as Practitioner" bill
- Will also need to work with Board of Pharmacy to change drug and pharmacy Rule

2. BWRP bill (Katie)

- DOH was unsuccessful in its attempt to open the rule to update wording to allow for award payment to payor of malpractice premium (i.e., may be employer, not individual provider), and to add LM as approved provider type.

Also note that Jessica is working on a Medicaid research project, which is looking at what is and is not getting paid.

Student Handbook update (Katrina/Louise)

- Will start work on this once LM Guidelines are complete
- Louise and Carolina have already started revisions

Guidelines update (Katrina)

- Board reviewed final draft of LM Guidelines and approved
- Next step is to finish with comments from CMS and finalize

LM Rule (Ann, Katie, Katrina)

- LM Rule will open and be repealed and replaced
- Recently enacted legislation, Relating to Healthcare NM 26-1-2, essentially names LMs as a practitioner subject to the NM Drug and Device Cosmetic Act
- Current rule is very vague and DOH will be accepting, in writing, suggestions for updates from the board while the draft is being written over the next year. This will only be the first draft.
- Katie Avery, Maternal Health Program Manager, would like to have a committee to work on the LM Rule changes.
- The Board would like to see the LM Practice Guidelines separated into two individual documents: one, the Clinical Practice Guidelines (updated and overseen by NMMA); and two, "NMDOH Administrative Practice Guidelines" (updated and overseen by the NMDOH Maternal Health Program)
- Jessica Frechette-Gutfreund will send out examples of recent LM Rules enacted in other states for reference.

NMMA update (Louise)

- Plan to regroup
- NMMA is meeting 3/15/19
- Louise Self will give an update at the next LM Advisory Board Meeting

New business:

MANA stats reporting (Katrina/Katie)

- Approximately 1/3 of LMs are not reporting to MANA
- MANA is mandatory 1st quarter of 2019

Announcements

Midwife Past & Present Exhibit (Felina)

- S. Broadway cultural center will reserve art gallery space beginning May 2020 to end of July 2020
- Call to community to see if there are any artifacts from past for exhibit or midwife artist's contributions for projects for the wall

Next meeting: May 31, 2019 in Albuquerque