

**NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SESSION
NOVEMBER 19, 2015**

A Public Session meeting of the New Jersey Physician Assistants Advisory Committee was held on November 19, 2015 in the 6th floor Hunterdon Conference Room at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, NJ at 1:00 pm.

I. Roll Call

George Argast, PA-C, President (*Present*)

Todd Newman, PA-C, Vice President (*Excused*)

Jeffrey A. Berman, MD (*Excused*)

Claire O'Connell, PA-C (*Present*)

Jeffrey Maas, Public Member (*Excused*)

Debra Levine, Deputy Attorney General

Robert Petronglo, Assistant to the Executive Director

II. Ratification of minutes

Public Session meeting minutes from September 19, 2015

THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY RATIFIED THE PUBLIC MINUTES AFTER A MOTION BY MR. MAAS AND SECOND BY MS. O'CONNELL.

III. Public Questions:

a. Practice as a Physician Assistant and an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant

A member of the public submitted two questions regarding practicing as physician assistant and an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant as it relates to the need for a supervising physician and malpractice coverage. Under the advisement of legal counsel, this issue has been brought the Committee for comment and interpretation.

THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THAT THIS WAS NOT AN ISSUE UNDER THEIR PURVIEW AND THAT THIS MATTER SHOULD BE RESOLVED WITH THE LICENSEE'S INSURANCE CARRIER.

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b. Physician Assistants performing and billing for infusion therapy

A question was posed by MediGain, a medical billing and reimbursement company, asking if a physician assistant can perform and bill for infusion therapy.

THE COMMITTEE DID NOT TAKE A POSITION ON THIS MATTER AS IT FELT THAT THERE WAS NOT ENOUGH INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THEM FOR REVIEW.

IV. Adjournment
