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Meeting Minutes

Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Centers Licensing Board

September 11, 2024, • 10:00am - 12:00pm

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Call to Order

Members Present: Steve Gunderson, Deborah Lee Crook, Gagandeep Goyal, Robert Healy

Members Absent: Mohammed T. Hussain

Dept. Staff: Stephanie Glenn, Jackie Richmond, Annette Hodge, Rebecca Gold

Guests: John Knierly, Don Jones and Blanca Dominguez, all of Health Care Facilities Services Review Board, Melissa Rice, IASCA, Ross Weber, IASCA, Jennifer Boyer, Springfield Clinic Sr. VP of Operations, Carol Wesley, Corazon Consulting, Lauren Blanchard, Administrator for Valley ASC, Kaitlynn Miller, Springfield Clinic, Director of Cath Lab, Kimmie Crawford, Springfield Clinic Cath lab Manager, Brandon Selle, Sr. VP of Operations, Quincy Med, Ted Johnson, Dir. Of Cardiac Services, Quincy Med, Lori Callahan, Ortho Illinois ASC Regional Director, and Shauna Harrison

Introduction

Stephanie Glenn, Assistant Division Chief of Division of Health Care Facilities & Programs called the meeting to order at 10:13 am, an announcement was made that this is the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Centers Licensing Board Meeting with today's date being September 11, 2024.

Stephanie reminded Members and Guests that this meeting is being conducted via WebEx and gave a brief explanation of the protocols for conducting this meeting. This is a public meeting, and it is subject to the Open Meetings Act (OMA) and a recording of this meeting is permitted. Today's meeting is being conducted via WebEx, which allows audio and other information said during this session to be recorded. By joining this session, you are automatically consenting to such recordings and if you do not consent to being recorded, then you should not join this session. This introduction statement is being read so everyone is aware that this meeting is being recorded. Roll call was conducted, and a quorum was established.

Approval of minutes (Vote) {Exhibit 1}

The draft minutes of the June 12, 2024, meeting minutes were reviewed and discussed by the Board. A motion was made by Board Member Steve Gunderson to approve the minutes, 2nd motion made by Robert Healy and was unanimously approved.

Old Business

None

New Business

Discussion on Regulations for Cardiac catheterization in ASC

There is interest in the regulations for Cardiac cath in ASC but when the Facilities Planning Board investigated further, they found that the rules are blocking it from going past diagnostic procedures. John Knierly said that they are in the process of writing rules for the addition of cardiac catheterization. Don Jones said that they are revising board rules under the certificate of need program for cardiac cath services in general and in particular, for ASTCs it is being paused waiting for the Department to revise the rules so that they don't conflict. We want to develop language that protects the public and allows for growth. Currently we have in the ASTC licensing rules diagnostic cardiac catheterization procedures, but we didn't define diagnostics, so HFSRB is working to determine what procedures will be allowed. The Society for Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions put out guidelines.

Today we want to develop a subcommittee to determine what you think is appropriate for procedures for catheterization. Karen sent out a list of what she would want to see language developed for, what types of cath procedures are allowed and they may focus on what CMS allows per CPT code. The required staff level of experience for lab director, physician, nurses, and radiologic, cardiovascular technologies, technologists, requirement for support services, peer review and participation in national registry. If we require the services to be accredited, require annual emergency mock transfer procedures and then require distance from the hospital. The subcommittee can develop more stringent rules if they feel that appropriate, but that's really what her intent was for the meeting today. Deborah Lee asked if there were any restrictions on the members? Do they have to be residents of the state? Stephanie said that the only requirement is that there be 3 members of the board on the subcommittee. Deborah Lee motions to create the subcommittee. All agree. Gunderson, Healy and Goyal all showed interest in being on the subcommittee. Deborah Lee asks how you get started and Rebecca Gold notes that you vote in a chairperson but there is no formal process. Notify the department when the meetings are and that they are open to the public. Must have a quorum to meet which is a majority of the members. Deborah Lee offers to chair. Board votes in favor. Karen would like to get some language by the next meeting. There was some discussion on days and times that would work. They decided to meet weekly, Wednesday's at 10am.

Statistical data providers and surveys {Exhibit 2a & 2b}

There are 156 licensed ASTCs, 22 licensed only. 134 Medicare certified, 47 Medicare certified with deemed status. There were 87 Department surveys. There are 8 pending initial license applicants and 5 pending initial Medicare certification. January through August there were 3 closures. There were 4 initial licenses issued and there were 5 that had been licensed and became Medicare certified. In the summary for fiscal year 23 (Oct 22-Sept 23), there were 22 Medicare recert surveys, 9 complaint surveys and 1 initial license survey. 21 of the 22 Medicare surveys were cited for noncompliance with the Condition of Participation for Physical Environment of Life Safety. There were no LSC deficiencies cited. The top Conditions of Participation were for Health Clinical Services (7 of the 31). So far for FY 2024, there have been 13 Medicare surveys (all of which were cited for noncompliance with COP's Physical Environment of Life Safety), 5 complaint surveys and 8 initial license surveys.

Deborah Lee asked for a breakout of the most cited tags. Stephanie said that she could provide that information and offered to have a surveyor come and speak to the group. Deborah Lee asked if the surveyors go to annual educational training. Stephanie was unsure but noted that she could have Dennis Schmitt come to the next meeting to discuss.

Board Membership Updates

None. We have 7 vacancies and a few applicants, all physicians, and are basically just waiting on the Governor's office to complete their reviews. We asked for any recommendations from current board members.

Public Comment

None.

Next meeting dates: December 11, 2024, ● 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned at 11:04 a.m.