

LSBME
RESPIRATORY CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Date: February 23, 2015 Time 9:00am Location: LSBME Office Recorder: Sue Davis

Present: Raymond Pisani, Brett Stafford, Ken Alexander, Dave Vicknair, Sue Davis, by phone: Beth Hamilton

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDATIONS / ACTIONS
I. Call to order / establish quorum	Quorum established Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM	
II. Approval of minutes	Motion to accept minutes: by Ken Alexander 2 nd Sue Davis Yea – 5, Nay – 0, Abstain – 0	
III. Old Business Elective Intubation	The committee was requested to render an opinion regarding whether elective intubations were within the RCP scope of practice by Ms. Dianne Breeton. The committee requested clarification regarding the definition of ‘elective intubation’ from Ms. Breeton. After receiving this information, the committee felt that the described ‘elective intubations’ were actually emergent intubations. The committee states that the licensure act does allow RCP’s to perform emergent intubations under the circumstances described.	Raymond Pisani will send a letter of opinion from the committee to Dianne Breeton stating that RCP’s can intubate in emergent situations.
Out of state sleep studies	Ken Alexander discussed the likelihood of the issue related to out of state providers performing CPAP therapy directions and sleep studies would most likely	

	not be considered during the upcoming state legislative session. The committee feels that this matter will need to be addressed as telemedicine grows.	
IV. New Business:		
Online Renewal Application	Diana Merendino raised concerns regarding the LSBME change in policy regarding submission of evidence of CE's. Dave Vicknair stated that the policy is the same for all occupations licensed by the Board. The renewal only requires an attestation rather than submission of CE reports. Sue Davis asked if there would be additional penalties imposed if during the audit the RCP falsified records or did not complete the required CE's during that time period. Mr. Vicknair did not know but would find out and bring that to the next meeting.	Dave Vicknair will find out the penalty for non- completion of CE or falsification of CE's for our next board meeting.
Current credential	Diana Merendino not present. Discussion tabled until next meeting.	Tabled
Scope of practice question	An anonymous request was made to the committee related to scope of practice. Based on the description of the situation provided by the RCP, the committee felt that the incident was a matter of hospital policy and procedure rather than scope of practice.	Dave Vicknair will contact the RCP to let them know the committees opinion of their issue.
VI. CEU Audit	CEU audits performed by the committee members.	
VII. Next Meeting	5-5-15 9AM at LSBME	
VII. Meeting Adjourned	Motion for meeting to adjourn – Brett Stafford 2 nd Sue Davis. Meeting adjourned at 9: 35	