

# Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners

## Occupational Therapy Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 12/01/17

**Present:** Amy Yarbrough, Leslie Clement, Brenda Martin, Beth Gleason, Craig Toups, Regine Dade, Darbi Philibert, Leah Lecompte, Sharon Crane, Gretchen Reeks, Gina Blanchard

**Absent:** Shantel Suane

**Call to order:** 9:15 am

ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE PARTY
Previous meeting's minutes	Distributed	Approved	OTAC
Welcome and Introduction of new OTAC members	Distribution of OTAC member roles/responsibilities and discussion	None	OTAC
Questions to review 1. Can an OTA call and get orders over the phone	Discussion was had previously regarding this issue and it was determined that OTAs can call and receive orders over the phone	Communicate specifics regarding	Elaine and OTAC
2. Can OTs supervise interns at a hospital that are not OT students	Discussion was had regarding this being the hospital's decision to ask this of an OT. However, the intern should not be completing any OT treatment or helping with note/billing in any manner. More information would be needed if this was regarding just an observation vs. treatment with questions and reports/billing.	Communicate specifics regarding	Elaine and OTAC
3. Supervision of OTA via face time conference	Discussion was had regarding this being acceptable as part of supervision (telecommunications) but that an OT/OTA face to face (physical) meeting was necessary every 6 <sup>th</sup> visit.	Communicate specific regarding issue	Elaine and OTAC
4. Question from a Tech regarding OTA completing an evaluation/re-evaluation w/o OT physically present	Discussion was had and it was noted that the OTA cannot perform an evaluation unless its standardized. The OT must have physical contact. OTAs must not interpret the data. It was further noted that we would like this situation go to investigations to confirm all rules/regs and laws are being followed. There is no official rule/reg regarding Telehealth at this time and we must utilize what rules/regs we currently have.	Communicate specifics regarding issue  Request investigation of further specifics of OTA/OT if possible.	Elaine and OTAC
2018 Meeting Schedule (Tentative)	March 2, 2018 June 1, 2018 September 7, 2018 December 7, 2018	Agreed upon by present committee members	OTAC