

VERMONT BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE
November 1, 2017
Red Clover Conference Room
Gifford Medical Center
Randolph, Vermont

10:30 a.m. Licensing Committee

12:00 p.m. Vermont Board of Medical Practice

- 1. Call to Order; Call the Roll; Acknowledge Guests:**
- 2. Public Comment:**
- 3. Approval of Minutes of the October 4 and October 18, 2017 Board Meetings:**
- 4. Board Issues (Mr. Hoser):**
- 5. Administrative Update (Mr. Herlihy):**
- 6. Presentation of Applications (12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.):**
- 7. Presentations to the Board - VPMS Update (12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.):**

Hannah Hauser, Program Manager for the Vermont Prescription Monitoring System (VPMS) will provide the Board with an update on VPMS capabilities, recent enhancements, and prescribing statistics. She will be joined by Nicole Rau, VDH Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention Manager, who administers programs to support prescribers and pharmacists in improving practices surrounding controlled substances. They will also take questions, so please come prepared with questions and suggestions regarding VPMS and Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention programs.

- 8. Recess; Convene hearing to discuss any stipulations or disciplinary matters that are before the Board (1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)**
 - In re: George A. Idelkope, MD – MPN 066-0517 – Stipulation and Consent Order**
 - In re: Kellie Michelle Marlow, PA-C – MPS 150-0917 – Stipulation and Consent Order**
- 9. Reconvene meeting; Executive Session to Discuss:**
 - Investigative cases recommended for closure**
 - Other matters that are confidential by law, if any**
- 10. Return to Open Session; Board Actions on matters discussed in Executive Session:**

11. Board Actions on Committee recommendations with regard to any non-confidential matters:

12. Other Business:

- **PA MAT Prescribing and Supervision** – The Board recently received a letter sent jointly by the American Academy of Physician Assistants, the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, and the American Society of Addiction Medicine regarding the recent change to federal law that authorizes prescribing buprenorphine for medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for addiction by PAs and APRNs. The letter encourages boards to communicate with licensees about this authorization for MAT. The Board has done that. The letter also encourages boards to allow PAs to be supervised in MAT prescribing by physicians who do not themselves hold an X-license to prescribe buprenorphine. This is to introduce the request, get input from members, and discuss what changes to statute or rules might be required to allow such supervision.
- **Vermont Practitioner Health Program** – A meeting has been scheduled for November 9 between the Liaison Committees of the Board and the Program. The contract with VPHP calls for such meetings, and the purpose is to discuss matters of interest or concern about the program. The members of the Board appointed to the ad hoc VPHP Liaison Committee are: Dr. Bernstein, Dr. Burgee, Mr. Evans, and Mr. LeCours. This will be an opportunity to provide the Liaison Committee meeting input by sharing any concerns, questions, or suggestions about the program.

13. Upcoming Board meetings, committee meetings, hearings, etc.: (Locations are subject to change. You will be notified if a change takes place.)

- **November 9, 2017, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 12 p.m., Vermont Department of Health, 108 Cherry Street, 3rd Floor, Conference Room 2C, Burlington, VT**
- **November 3, 2017, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 9 a.m., Central Vermont Medical Center, Conf. Rm. 2, Berlin, VT**
- **November 15, 2017, Board meeting on pending applications, 12:10 p.m., Board of Medical Practice office, 108 Cherry Street, 2nd, Floor Burlington, VT (and via telephone)**
- **November 15, 2017, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Asa Bloomer State Office Building, 4th Floor, Room #492, Rutland, VT**
- **December 6, 2017, Licensing Committee Meeting, 10:30 a.m., Gifford Medical Center, Red Clover Conference Room, Randolph**
- **December 6, 2017, Board Meeting, 12 p.m., Gifford Medical Center, Red Clover Conference Room, Randolph**

14. Open Forum:

15. Adjourn: