



TEXAS RADIATION ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
MEDICAL COMMITTEE

Friday, November 3, 2023
Scheduled to convene at 9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order

Darlene Metter, M.D., Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present.

2. Roll call of committee members present.

Members present: Michael Britt; Mark Harvey, Ph.D.; Lisa Masters, D.D.S; Darlene Metter, M.D.; William Pate, DrPH; and Doug Posey, DVM

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) staff present: Lisa Bruedigan, Gem Naivar, Walquiria Sanchez, Karl Von Ahn, John Pavlica, Jasmine Mathews, and Joann Harthcock

Guests present: Mark Silberman and Jeanette Ruiz, members of the public.

3. Review and, as needed, discuss and take possible action concerning amendment and approval of the July 21, 2023 minutes of the TRAB Medical Committee meeting

Dr. Masters motioned to approve the minutes. Dr. Posey seconded the motion. All approved.

4. Public Comments

None

5. Routine and Continuing Business:

A. Status on upcoming rule revisions

- i.** 25 TAC § 289.229 Radiation Safety Requirement for Accelerators, Therapeutic Radiation Machines, Simulators, and Electronic Brachytherapy Devices
- ii.** 25 TAC § 289.301 Registration and Radiation Safety Requirements for Lasers and Intense-Pulsed Light Devices
- iii.** Update on DSHS review of RAM and NRC rules

Ms. Bruedigan gave an update on these rule changes and answered questions from the board.

B. CRCPD Suggested Regulations – Part X (Radiation Treatment Rules for Suggested State Regulatory Groups) document likely published in Mid-Summer 2023: Status of Public Comments

Ms. Bruedigan gave an update on this topic. This document has been published on the CRCPD website recently.

C. NRC Reg Guide 8.39 Update

Dr. Metter gave an update on this topic.

D. NRC Infiltration and Extravasations Update

Dr. Metter gave an update on this topic.

E. Leadership Succession

It was clarified that this topic was regarding the TRAB. Ms. Bruedigan reported that the Governor's office is working on filling vacant positions on the TRAB Board. Dr. Metter stated that if anyone is interested in filling the vacant vice-chair position, please see Dr. Pate or Gem Naivar.

6. New Business

A. Review Position Statement on Sealed Source Disposal referred by full TRAB – TCEQ to review document

No updates on this topic.

B. Review Position Statement for regulating remote operators for imaging recognition for diplomats after 12/31/2023

Ms. Bruedigan reported that this is a CRCPD project, and the peer review has been completed. It will now go to federal partners for concurrence and be published on the CRCPD website.

C. DSHS to consider a position statement for ABR relinquishing NRC recognition for diplomats after 12/31/2023

Ms. Bruedigan reported that DSHS is still waiting for the NRC guidelines on this topic. DSHS will follow these guidelines when they are completed.

D. Identify topics to recommend for further discussion and to be addressed at future meetings of the Topic Research Committee; Medical Committee; Industrial, Nuclear Power, Uranium, and Waste (INUW) Committee; or TRAB

None.

7. Summarize the Committee meeting, recommendations for the Committee Report, and proposed action items for TRAB.

Dr. Metter summarized the meeting.

8. Adjourn

Dr. Harvey motioned to adjourn. Dr. Masters seconded the motion. Dr. Metter adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.