

Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Council State of Louisiana

July 13, 2016

MINUTES

A meeting of the Louisiana Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Advisory Council scheduled to meet on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the office of the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy, 3388 Brentwood Drive in Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, convened at 1:05 p.m. to consider the following:

A G E N D A

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Quorum Call**
3. **Call for Additional Agenda Items & Adoption of Agenda**
4. **Consideration of Minutes from Prior Meeting – April 13, 2016**
5. **Opportunity for Public Comment**
6. **Election of Council Officers**
7. **Review of Program Operation**
8. **Review of Legislation from Regular Session of 2016 Legislature**
9. **Calendar Notes**
10. **Adjourn**

Advisory Council representatives/designees present: Carl Aron (LABP) chaired the meeting. Also present were Neal Angelle (La. Senate-Chair H&W), Jennifer Stolier (LSBME), Erin Conner (LSBD), Cindi York (LABN), Jennifer Marusak (LSMS), Ward Blackwell (LDA), Joseph Comaty (LAMP), Cheryl Golden (DEA), Maj. Layne Barnum (LSP), Col. Peter Tufaro (LASA), J. J. Williams (LDAA), Traci Perry (LDH), Nick Cahanin (NACDS), and Justin Johnson (LIPA)

Others present: Joe Fontenot (LABP), Carlos Finalet (LABP), Lindsey Schultz (LABP).

Call for Additional Agenda Items

No additional agenda items introduced.

Consideration of Minutes from April 13, 2016 Meeting

Minutes were approved by consensus with no corrections.

Opportunity for Public Comment

No public comments.

Election of Council Officers

The only nomination for the office of Chair was Carl Aron (LABP). Mr. Aron was elected by acclamation and assumed the office immediately.

The only nomination for the office of Vice Chair was Colonel Pete Tufaro. Colonel Tufaro was elected by acclamation and assumed the office immediately.

Review of Program Operation

Joe Fontenot, Assistant Executive Director, discussed the June 2016 PMP software transition from the Optimum Technology PMP platform to the Appriss PMP platform known as AWAARxE. Mr. Fontenot described the numerous notifications sent to the registered PMP users as well as the uploaders prior to the transition. Mr. Fontenot explained that the transition of the uploaders was smooth with little complications but the transition of the users was not as smooth and required an inordinate amount of time

from staff. Mr. Fontenot informed the committee that the normal program updates and statistics are not available for this meeting because of the transition but will be available for the next scheduled meeting.

Review of Legislation from the 2016 Legislature (Regular Session)

Mr. Fontenot reminded the Advisory Council of its prior recommendation to the Board of Pharmacy in regards to PMP record retention. Mr. Fontenot informed the committee that SB 56 (Act 189) amended the state Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) Law to require the Board to establish standards for the retention, archiving, and destruction of records in the PMP database. Mr. Fontenot informed the Advisory Council that the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy will take formal notice of the law at the August 2016 meeting of the Board which will likely result in a referral to the Board's Regulation Revision Committee to begin the rule making process.

Calendar Notes

The remaining meeting date in 2016 is: October 12.

With no business remaining, the Council adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

I certify that the foregoing are true and accurate minutes.

Malcolm J. Broussard
Executive Director
Louisiana Board of Pharmacy

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