



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board

Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics Advisory Council
January 17, 2019
9:00 a.m.

Members Present

Tamara Daulton, LPED
Derek Kinsella, LO
Brian Weaver, LPO
Don Weldon, LO
Kimberly Peer, PT, Joint Board Secretary

Staff

Jennifer Adams, Investigator
Melissa Anthony, Executive Director
Josette Watkins, Investigator Assistant

Members Absent

Jeffrey Hagman, LP

Guests

Dianne Farabi, Ohio O&P Association

Call to Order

Brian Weaver, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:56 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Brian Weaver moved that the minutes from the September 27, 2018, meeting be approved as submitted. Tamara Daulton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Executive Director Report

- The Executive Director reported that the LO, LP, LPO, and LPED licensees are in a renewal period. Seventy-five percent of licensees have renewed.
- The Executive Director reported that the Board is working with eLicense regarding data integrity notifications to licensees.
- The Executive Director informed the Advisory Council that the Board will terminate the old OPP website.
- The Executive Director reported that there are OPP rules changes in progress.
- The Executive Director provided a brief legislative overview.

Discussion of Laws and Rules

The Executive Director reviewed the Board's summary suspension process and made recommendations for proposed changes to the existing language under section 4779.29 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Action: Brian Weaver moved that the summary suspension language be modified to better align with the timeframes and language for the OT, PT, and AT Sections. Tammy Daulton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Executive Director gave an overview of a new rule to reflect the current function of the Advisory Council which mirrors the language in the statute.

Administrative Reports

Licensure Liaison Report

Don Weldon reported that he contacted ABC Certification Board to verify that ABC courses are offered to all licensees and non-licensed state holders. Don Weldon will seek confirmation on when the NCOPE residency requirement was implemented.

Continuing Education Liaison Report

The Council discussed potential changes regarding continuing education minimum requirements, ethics education and code of professional standards.

Enforcement Report

Lynn Busdeker reported that the Enforcement Division opened zero new cases and closed zero cases since September 27, 2018 meeting. There are two cases currently open. There are two active consent agreements and zero adjudication orders being monitored.

OOPA Report

Dianne Farabi had no formal report for the Council.

Open Forum

None

Old Business

None

New Business

3-D printing Discussion

The Advisory Council discussed 3-D printing and educating the public on the licensure requirements for providing this service.

Standard Responses and Frequently Asked Questions

The Advisory Council discussed adding a frequently asked question regarding orthotics fitters.

OPP Continuing Education Hours Requirement

The Advisory Council discussed whether continuing education hours is required for first time license renewal. Historically, orthotics, prosthetists, and pedorthist are not required to obtain continuing education hours for the first license renewal.

Foreign Educated Applicants

The Executive Director discussed the process for evaluating credentials for a foreign educated applicant for LO, LP, LPO, LPED. The Executive Director recommended that the Advisory Council establish guidelines in the rules to address the requirements for evaluating foreign trained applicants. The Executive Director recommended that the Advisory Council use World Education Services (WES) to prepare the credential evaluations. The Advisory Council recommended that ABC determine if the residency requirements have been met for a foreign educated applicant. Test of English as a Spoken Language (TOEFL iBT) requirement must also be established in the rules for foreign educated applicants with the ability to waive the TOEFL on a case by case basis.

Next Meeting Preparation

Scope of practice for pedorthist

Discussion regarding licensing orthotics Fitters, orthotics assistants, and prosthetics assistants

Adjournment

There being no further business and no objections, Brian Weaver adjourned the meeting at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Moore

Brian Weaver, LPO, Chair
Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
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Tamara Daulton, LPED, Secretary
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