

**FINAL MINUTES**

**MEETING OF:**

**PATIENT SAFETY AUTHORITY**

TED GLICK CONFERENCE CENTER  
1 HACC DRIVE  
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

TIME: 10:06 A.M.

DATE: JANUARY 25, 2011

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**Patient Safety Authority**

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**January 25, 2011**

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6 Stanton Smullens, M.D., Acting Chair

7 Ana Pujols-McKee (phone)

8 Gary A. Merica, R.Ph. (absent)

9 Anita Fuhrman, R.N., B.S. (absent)

10 Joan Garzarelli, RN, MSN (phone)

11 Cliff Rieders, Esquire

12 Lorina Marshall-Blake (phone)

13 Marshall W. Webster, M.D. (absent)

14 Roosevelt Hairston, Esquire

15 Terry S. Hyman, Esquire

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1 Also Present:

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3 Mike Doering, MBA, Executive Director

4 Bill Marella, MBA, PA-PSRS Program Manager

5 Laurene Baker, Communications Director

6 Howard Newstadt, Finance Manager

7 Teresa Plesce, Office Services Coordinator

8 Karen McKinnon-Lipsett, Administrative Specialist

9 John Clarke, M.D., Clinical Director

10 Allen Vaida, Institute for Safe Medication Practices

11 Denise Martindell, RN, JD, Patient Safety Analyst,  
12 ECRI Institute

13 Christina Hunt, RN, MSN, MBA, HCM, Patient Safety  
14 Liaison, Patient Safety Authority

15 Megan Shetterly, RN, MS, Patient Safety Liaison,  
16 Patient Safety Authority

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1 PATIENT SAFETY AUTHORITY  
 2 Public Meeting  
 3 January 25, 2011  
 4 Location: HACC Time: 10:00 AM

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 6 **Agenda**

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- 8 I. Call to Order
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- 10 II. Report of the Board Chair
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- 12 III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
- 13 - September 14, 2010
- 14 - October 26, 2010
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- 16 IV. Report of the Executive Director
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- 18 V. PA-PSRS Update
- 19 - Patient Safety Advisory Article Presentation – Management of Unanticipated
- 20 Difficult Intubation
- 21 Denise Martindell, RN, JD, Patient Safety Analyst, ECRI Institute
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- 23 VI. Old Business
- 24 - PassKey Update
- 25 Christina Hunt, RN, MSN, MBA, HCM, Patient Safety Liaison, Patient Safety
- 26 Authority
- 27 - Specimen Mislabeling Collaborative Review
- 28 Megan Shetterly, RN, MS, Patient Safety Liaison, Patient Safety Authority
- 29 - Revisit Consumer Ratings at request of member Rieders
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- 31 VII. New Business
- 32 - Cheers Award presented to the Patient Safety Authority
- 33 Institute for Safe Medication Practices
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- 35 VIII. Public Comment
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- 37 IX. Adjournment
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2 PATIENT SAFETY AUTHORITY

3 The regularly scheduled meeting of the Patient  
4 Safety Authority was held on Tuesday, January 25, 2011.  
5 Stanton Smullens, M.D., Acting Chair, called the meeting  
6 to order at 10:06 a.m.

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8 A motion to approve the minutes of September 14, 2010  
9 and October 26, 2010 carried unanimously.

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11 Report of Executive Director

12 [Mike Doering, Executive Director, noted the December  
13 Patient Safety Advisory was released on December 1,  
14 2010. Mr. Doering stated 11 more facilities have  
15 requested to implement the electronic interface to PA-  
16 PSRS and they are in various stages of the process.  
17 Regarding PassKey, he noted 425 people have signed the  
18 user agreement for PassKey. PassKey is also being  
19 utilized as a home base information site for more  
20 collaboratives. He highlighted many of the various  
21 educational programs which have been conducted since the  
22 previous Board meeting. Regarding the board of  
23 trustees' educational program, Mr. Doering noted the

1 second training for the training consultants is being  
2 completed today. Thirteen community access facilities  
3 have received grant money to implement the training. He  
4 discussed on-site assessment visits to ten low-  
5 performing nursing home facilities related to healthcare  
6 associated infections. A formal report was completed  
7 and sent to each of those nursing homes offering them  
8 recommendations for improvement and information on  
9 follow-up activities. On-site assessment visits are  
10 being scheduled for high-performing facilities as well.  
11 Mr. Doering advised the 2010 annual report is currently  
12 being developed and a committee from the Board will be  
13 needed to give a first review of the report. Also, the  
14 ECRI contract for the first two years is being reviewed  
15 for compliance and will be provided to the Board at the  
16 next meeting.]

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18 [Allen Vaida, Institute for Safe Medication Practices,  
19 presented a 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Cheers Award to the Patient  
20 Safety Authority.]

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22 PAPSRS UPDATE

23 [Denise Martindell, Patient Safety Analyst, ECRI

1 Institute, gave a Patient Safety Advisory Article  
2 presentation on Management of Unanticipated Difficult  
3 Intubation. She noted the objectives were to go over  
4 airway assessment methods, suggest strategies for the  
5 management of this scenario, recognize components, and  
6 to talk about components of a comprehensive difficult  
7 airway management program. She discussed various  
8 scenarios where intubation may be difficult, and noted  
9 the Advisory article identifies the suggested steps one  
10 needs to follow to address difficult intubation and the  
11 various educational tools available related to this  
12 topic.]

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14 Old Business

15 [Christina Hunt, Patient Safety Liaison, Patient Safety  
16 Authority, gave a PassKey update. She discussed various  
17 enhancements that have been added to the application and  
18 the increased usage of the site.]

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20 [Megan Shetterly, Patient Safety Liaison, Patient Safety  
21 Authority, presented an overview of the completed  
22 Specimen Mislabeling Collaborative. She discussed the  
23 specimen labeling collaborative that took place in

1 northeastern Pennsylvania, and the achievements of the  
2 nine facilities involved. She discussed the various  
3 causes of specimen mislabeling and ways to reduce these  
4 events from occurring. She advised the project was very  
5 successful, and the collaborative participants are now  
6 mentor hospitals for other hospitals seeking  
7 information.]

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9 [A discussion was held concerning Consumer Ratings and  
10 various ways guidance can be given to patients regarding  
11 what to look for in facilities.]

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13 [Executive session was held from 11:47 to 11:52.]

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16 New Business:

17 A motion to increase the salaries of the  
18 Authority's employees by 1 percent retroactive  
19 to October 1, 2010 was offered to address the  
20 similar increase in employee health insurance  
21 costs. This is in line with other State  
22 agencies where the increase happened  
23 automatically.

1 The motion was passed unanimously.

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4 [The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.]

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Jerry Blevins  
Minute Clerk  
York Stenographic Services



PATIENT SAFETY AUTHORITY  
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
 REFERENCE INDEX  
 JANUARY 25, 2011

	TIME	COUNTER NUMBER	AGENDA
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9	10:06	0020	Call to Order
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11	10:07	0100	Report of the Executive Director, Michael Doering
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13	10:45	2363	Approval of Minutes of the September 14 and October 26, 2010 meetings
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17	10:46	2506	Cheers Award, Alan Vaida, ISMP
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20	10:52	2867	Management of Unanticipated Difficult Intubation, Denise Martindell
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24	11:05	3874	PassKey Update, Christina Hunt
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27	11:15	4636	Specimen Mislabeling Collaborative Review, Megan Shetterly
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31	11:32	6335	Revisit Consumer Ratings at Request of member Rieders
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34	11:43	0234	Adjournment
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