

APPROVED MINUTES

MEETING OF:

PATIENT SAFETY AUTHORITY

ZOOM MEETING

TIME: 1:03 P.M.

DATE: DECEMBER 9, 2021

Patient Safety Authority**December 9, 2021**

1
2 Denise Johnson, Physician General, Chair
3 Daniel Glunk, M.D., Vice Chair
4 William Wenner, M.D.
5 Eric Weitz, Esquire
6 Kathleen Law, M.D.
7 Linda Waddell, RN
8 Arleen Kessler, PharmD
9 Veronica Richards, Esquire
10 Amelia Paré, M.D.
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12 Also Present:
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14 Regina Hoffman, Executive Director
15 Rodney Akers, Esquire
16 Caitlyn Allen, Director of Engagement
17 Michelle Bell, Director of Outreach & Education
18 Amada Bennett, Infection Preventionist
19 Kelly Gipson, Project Manager
20 Lea Anne Gardner, Patient Safety Analyst
21 Becky Jones, Director of Data Science and Research
22 Rick Kundravi, Senior Patient Safety Liaison
23 Karen McKinnon-Lipsett, Administrative Specialist
24 Eugene Myers, Associated Editor
25 Howard Newstadt, Financial Director & CIO
26 Jessica Oaks, Program Manager
27 Terri Plesce, Office Manager
28 Cathy Reynolds, Patient Safety Liaison
29 Christine Sanchez, Patient Safety Analyst
30 Dave Eppley, Program Manager, Gainwell Technologies
31 Carolyn Byrnes, Sr. Advisor to the Phys. General, DOH
32 Matthew Taylor, Patient Safety Analyst
33 Robert Yonash, Senior Patient Safety Liaison
34 Heather Stone, Administrative Specialist
35 Susan Wallace, Senior Patient Safety Liaison
36 Mary Mannix, Public
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Executive Session

December 9, 2021 at 12:30 PM ET
Location: Zoom (Virtual Meeting)

Consideration of personnel matters and to engage in non-deliberative informational discussions regarding various actions and matters which have been approved at previous public meetings.

Public Meeting

December 9, 2021 at 1:00 PM ET
Location: Zoom (Virtual Meeting)

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the September 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- III. Report of Board Chair
- IV. Executive Director Report
- V. Old Business
 - a. Draft Recommendations - Correct Surgical Procedure and Correct Nerve Blocks
- VI. New Business
 - a. Approval of FY21-22 Annual Assessments
 - b. Strategic Plan Update - Culture - CANDOR initiative
- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Adjournment

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2 PATIENT SAFETY AUTHORITY

3 The regularly scheduled meeting of the Patient
4 Safety Authority was held via a Zoom call on Thursday,
5 December 9, 2021. Denise Johnson, M.D., called the
6 meeting to order at 1:03 p.m.

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8 A motion to approve the minutes of September 23, 2021,
9 carried unanimously.

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11 Report of Board Chair

12 [Dr. Johnson, M.D., Chair, advised that the submission
13 deadline for the I Am Patient Safety Campaign has now
14 been extended to December 17. She went on to advise
15 that the Governor's office is attempting to fill the
16 two vacant positions on the Board. Dr. Johnson made a
17 brief statement on the current situation in hospitals
18 as they deal with the surge of COVID cases.]

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20 Executive Director Report

21 [Regina Hoffman, Executive Director, advised that the
22 PSRS update will be coming at the beginning of
23 January, and will include adding the demographic

1 questions, which were previously discussed. She went
2 on to advise that the Center of Excellence
3 comprehensive assessment tool and implementation plan
4 will also become effective in January. Ms. Hoffman
5 advised that a patient safety officer roundtable
6 discussion is scheduled for December 15. She also
7 advised that the tenth issue of the Patient Safety
8 journal will be published on December 17. Ms. Hoffman
9 reported that the two open staff positions have now
10 been filled. Ms. Hoffman explained that since the
11 last Board meeting, one public complaint has been
12 received, and due to the change in procedure, the
13 complaint was forwarded to the Department of Drug and
14 Alcohol Programs by the Authority. Ms. Hoffman
15 advised that letters were sent to the low-volume
16 reporting facilities in November, and staff have been
17 following up and offering resources as appropriate.
18 Ms. Hoffman reported that as of November 15, the trust
19 fund balance was a little over \$9.9 million, which is
20 adequate for the commitments through the end of the
21 fiscal year.]

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23 Old Business

1 [Regina Hoffman, Executive Director, advised that
2 comments were received from three different
3 individuals or organizations regarding the approved
4 draft recommendations. She advised that they are
5 currently being compiled, and the subcommittee will
6 reconvene in early January to review the public
7 comments, make any revisions, and then come back to
8 the Board at the January meeting for final approval.
9 They will then go back to the Secretary, and then will
10 be issued as final recommendations.]

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12 New Business

13 [Howard Newstadt, Senior Director of Finance and
14 Business Operations, gave an in-depth presentation on
15 fiscal '21/'22 MCARE assessments. Dr. Paré made a
16 motion to recommend authorization of fiscal year
17 '21/'22 MCARE assessments totaling \$7,500,000; Act 13
18 Acute Care Assessments of \$6,360,000; and Act 52
19 Nursing Home Assessments of \$1,140,000. Mr. Weitz
20 seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.]

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22 [Regina Hoffman, Executive Director, gave a Strategic
23 Plan update regarding the CANDOR Program. Ms. Hoffman

1 advised that some participating facilities have
2 dropped out since the cohort started, probably due to
3 the strain that hospitals are facing because of the
4 pandemic. She advised that at the end of the first
5 cohort, a decision will be made on how to move forward
6 with recruiting other organizations, and whether to
7 continue with other cohorts in the future.]

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14 [The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.]

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2			BOARD OF DIRECTORS
3			REFERENCE INDEX
4			December 9, 2021
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6		COUNTER	
7	TIME	NUMBER	AGENDA
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9	1:03	00:19	Call to Order
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11		2:07	Approval of the
12			September 23, 2021,
13			Meeting Minutes
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15		2:48	Report of Board Chair
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17		8:12	Executive Director
18			Report, Regina Hoffman
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20		12:47	Old Business -
21			Draft Recommendations -
22			Correct Surgical
23			Procedure and Correct
24			Nerve Blocks
25			
26		14:40	New Business - Approval
27			of FY21-22 Annual
28			Assessments, Howard
29			Newstadt
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31		33:49	New Business - Strategic
32			Plan Update - Culture -
33			CANDOR Initiative,
34			Regina Hoffman
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36		40:21	Public Comment
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38		40:47	Adjournment