



U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
Pharmacist Professional Advisory Committee

Department of Health and Human Services

Minutes of Meeting
12 July 2007
Office of Global Health Affairs Conference Room
Parklawn Building
1300-1600

Members Present:

In Rockville:

CDR Beth Fabian Fritsch, FDA-Rockville, MD
CDR Richard Glabach, OCCFM-Rockville, MD
CDR Mary Kremzner, FDA-Rockville, MD
CDR Nita Sood (Chair), HRSA- Rockville, MD
CDR Jacqueline Thomas, OCCO-Rockville, MD

LCDR Tara Turner (Ex-Officio Executive Secretary), FDA- Silver Spring, MD

Via Telephone:

CAPT James Bresette, IHS-Rockville, MD
CAPT Kimberly Zietlow, IHS-Red Lake, MN
CDR Christopher Allen, CDC-Atlanta, GA
CDR Tamara Close, IHS-Whiteriver, AZ
CDR Richard DeCederfelt, NIH-Bethesda, MD
CDR Samuel Foster, IHS-White Earth, MN
CDR Patricia Garvey, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
CDR Michael Long (Ex-Officio Chair) BOP-Butner, NC

CDR Michael Shiber, BOP-Cumberland, MD
CDR Matthew Tarosky, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Violette Ganoe (Vice-Chair), BOP-Bradford, PA
LCDR Jeff Mouakket, HRSA-Dallas, TX
LCDR Jeffrey Newman, BOP-Springfield, MO
LCDR Peter Vermilyea, IHS-Winslow, AZ

Members Absent:

RADM Robert Pittman (CPO), IHS-Rockville, MD
CAPT Robert McClelland, IHS-Elko, NV
(Excused –alt not present)
LCDR Brian Campbell (Ex-Officio JOAG),
IHS-Whiteriver, AZ

LCDR Kristina Joyce (Ex-Officio JOAG),
FDA-Philadelphia, PA
LT Stacey Smith (Ex-Officio JOAG),
IHS-Fort Washakie, WY

Guests*:

CAPT Sharon Gershon, FDA-Rockville, MD
CAPT Lillie Golson, FDA-Rockville, MD
CAPT Walter Holt, CDC-Atlanta, GA
CAPT Charles Hoppes, FDA-Rockville, MD

CAPT Jim Imholte, OASPR-Kansas City, MO
CAPT George Lyght, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
CAPT(Ret.) Frank Nice
CAPT Lia Prela, CMS-Baltimore, MD
CDR Thomas Berry, FDA-Raleigh, NC

CDR Clinton Bullock, IHS-Talihina, OK
CDR Michelle Dillahunt, FDA-Rockville, MD
CDR Louis Flowers, FDA-Rockville, MD
CDR Jeff Fritsch, FDA-Rockville, MD
CDR Scott Giberson, IHS-Rockville, MD
CDR Dana Hall, OS-Kansas City, MO
CDR Kenneth Hill, HRSA-Seattle, WA
CDR Paula Laplant, FDA-Swanton, VT
CDR Josephine Lyght, HRSA-Rockville, MD
CDR Mark McClain, FDA-Hartford, CT
CDR Laura Pincock, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
CDR Mark Strong, BOP-Leavenworth, KS
CDR Deborah Thompson, USCG-New London, CT
CDR Sam Wu, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
CDR Christine Yu, DIHS-El Centro, CA
LCDR Sean Belouin, SAMHSA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Christine Bina, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Vicky Borders-Hemphill, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
LCDR Arianne Camphire, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Jim Czarzasty, OASPR-Washington, DC
LCDR Debra Emerson, FDA-Stoneham, MA
LCDR Sheryl Gunther, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Terry Harrison, SAMHSA-Washington, DC
LCDR Thomas Hinchliffe, FDA-Rockville, MD

LCDR Uduak Inokon, FDA-Jamaica, NY
LCDR Larry Lim, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Jeffrey Mallette, BOP-Pensacola, FL
LCDR Kristen Miller, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
LCDR Binh Nguyen, FDA-Irvine, CA
LCDR Daniel Nguyen, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Ryan Nguyen, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Keith Olin, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
LCDR Patrick Romero, USCG-Clearwater, FL
LCDR Stanley Shepperson, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Kendra Stewart, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Chi-Ann Wu, FDA-Rockville, MD
LCDR Christine Yu, DIHS-El Centro, CA
LT Rosalyn Adigun, FDA-Rockville, MD
LT Dan Brum, FDA-Silver Spring, MD
LT Benjamin Danso, FDA-Rockville, MD
LT Liatte Krueger, BOP-Rochester, MN
LT Susan Pellock, FDA-Rockville, MD
LT Juliette Toure, CMS-Baltimore, MD
LT Jeff Vang, IHS-Mount Pleasant, MI
LT Frank Verni, FDA-Jamaica, NY
ENS Brent Reed, IHS-Rockville, MD
ENS Emily Wong, FDA-Rockville, MD

*Guests attending the meeting via call in are requested to email their rank, name, agency, and location information to the PharmPAC secretary at [tara.turner@fda.hhs.gov](mailto: tara.turner@fda.hhs.gov).

Call to Order: CDR Nita Sood (([NSood@HRSA.GOV](mailto: NSood@HRSA.GOV)))

CDR Sood called the July 2007 Pharmacist Professional Advisory Committee (PharmPAC) meeting to order at 1305 upon arrival of Executive Secretary.

Acceptance of June 07 PharmPAC Meeting Minutes: CDR Nita Sood (([NSood@HRSA.GOV](mailto: NSood@HRSA.GOV)))

Minutes from the June 14, 2007 PharmPAC meeting were not distributed prior to the meeting due to technical difficulties experienced by LCDR Brian Campbell who was covering for LCDR Tara Turner, PAC Executive Secretary. Acceptance of June Minutes will be completed via e-mail.

CPO Comments: CDR Nita Sood for RADM Robert Pittman

- ◆ **Death of RADM Robert Knouss**
 - The PAC observed a moment of silence in honor of RADM Knouss.
- ◆ **Pharmacy Special Pay Work Group**
 - The PAC is tasked with this project
 - The workgroup will need to look at the impact of increasing or decreasing the accession bonus and the Variable Special Pay
 - Would like the group to start work in July 2007 with completion of a recommendation paper by October 2007
 - This effort will reside under the leadership of the Recruitment Section
- ◆ **USNS Comfort and USS Peleliu**

- Health diplomacy missions are proceeding well. CAPT Downs is the Officer in Charge on USS Peleliu. Information from CAPT Downs while on this mission is posted on the PharmPAC website.

Humanitarian Medical Mission Presentation→ CAPT(Ret.) Frank Nice, CDR Jeff Fritsch, LCDR Uduak Inokon, (PowerPoint Attached)

CAPT Nice, CDR Fritsch, and LCDR Inokon provided an insightful look at their experiences serving with a humanitarian mission to Haiti sponsored by a local church. CDR Samuel Wu described a similar experience serving with a humanitarian mission to India.

Section Lead Comments:

Recruitment → CAPT James Bresette (james.bresette@ihs.gov) / CDR Beth Fabian Fritsch (beth.fritsch@fda.hhs.gov)

- ◆ **Student Programs**→LCDR Larry Lim
 - List of monthly messages to send to the student listserv; this month sent information on PHS pharmacists
 - Summer COSTEP program
 - OSG Congressional Hearing (Dr. James Holsinger)
 - Tour of Pentagon – scheduled for July 27 – if interested, send name, date of birth, place of birth, and SSN to LCDR Lim
 - Taking names of volunteers to serve as executive officer for this subsection
- ◆ **University Point of Contact (UPOC)**→LCDR Peter Vermilyea
 - UPOC FAQ document revised and re-posted to UPOC page on PAC website
 - UPOC version of “Welcome to the USPHS” handout posted to UPOC page on PAC website
 - Working to update the “Pharmacy’s Best Kept Secret” document
 - Drafting thank you letters to the UPOCs who presented the Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Practice student awards
- ◆ **Website**→CAPT Charles Hoppes
 - Have compressed large Power Point presentation files (Recruitment Section Presentation and IHS Recruitment Presentation) and posted on the website
 - LCDR Dev Patel will be the new lead for this subsection, with LCDR Jim Barlow as alternate
- ◆ **WACS**→LCDR Karen Williams
 - Will have delivery date for WACS system at next PAC meeting
- ◆ **Associate Recruiter Program**→LCDR Christine Bina
 - Coordinating APhA midyear regional meetings; first meeting is in October; need to try to secure supplies early
 - Working on an approved checklist of AR activities to help officers meet/maintain OCCO’s ARP criteria for service; document is being sent for comments within the recruitment section with a due date of July 17
 - JOAG sent out a list of career fairs – this would count as an AR activity

Officer Recognition → CDR Nita Sood (NSood@hrsa.gov)

On behalf of RADM Pittman, CDR Sood presented certificates of appreciation to the following officers:

LCDR Keith Olin – Chair, PharmPAC Welcome Packet Work Group
 LCDR Diem Ngo – Welcome Packet Work Group
 LCDR Jialynn Wang – Welcome Packet Work Group

LCDR Chris Jones – Welcome Packet Work Group
LCDR Christina Thompson – Welcome Packet Work Group
LCDR Peter Vermilyea - Improving the quality and availability of recruitment materials
LCDR Daniel Nguyen – Outstanding pharmacist recruitment efforts
LCDR Sean Belouin – Outstanding pharmacist recruitment efforts
CAPT Charles Hoppes – Webposting expertise, dedicated service to the pharmacy category

Communication → CDR Samuel Foster (Samuel.Foster@ihs.gov) / CDR Richard Glabach (Richard.Glabach@hhs.gov)

- ◆ **PharmPAC Website Updates**→CDR Glabach
 - Met yesterday, determined which PAC sections are responsible for the various areas of content
 - Next meeting scheduled for July 25 to compare the proposed categories (considering the commissioned corps, career development, corps activities, promotion, contacts)
 - ORC Macro was scheduled to present at PAC Chair meeting today, but there was a conflict

- ◆ **Public Health Workgroup**→CAPT Sharon Gershon/ENS Brent Reed (Presentation attached)
 - Manpower Project Update
 - Dr. Knapp is interested in having PHS input into her data collection for the manpower project
 - Data from manpower studies could benefit PHS by providing justification for its recruitment and retention strategies
 - New Initiatives
 - Formulating ideas for new projects
 - Developing a plan to educate school-age children about the PHS; includes developing a talk targeted for 3rd and 4th graders

- ◆ **Call to Active Duty Package**→CDR Foster/LCDR Keith Olin
 - Presented draft at the May PAC meeting
 - Reviewed comments, made revisions as follows:
 - Included history of PHS and pharmacy category
 - Included background information for PharmPAC
 - Added description of the difference between PHS officers' rights vs. privileges
 - Added PHS Core Values
 - Added links for listservs
 - Send editorial corrections to Keith.Olin@fda.hhs.gov

- ◆ **Website Postings**→CDR Foster
 - Brian Norris' PLANT profile was sent via the listservs
 - Student listserv message was sent today regarding the impact you can make as a pharmacist (prepared by CDR Kremzner and Lcdr Lim)

Administration → CDR Patricia Garvey (patricia.garvey@fda.hhs.gov) / CAPT Kimberly Zietlow (kimberly.zietlow@ihs.gov)

- ◆ **Liaison Reports** → CAPT Walter Holt (walter.holtjr@cdc.hhs.gov)
 - American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)
 - Participate in a Board Certification Survey. The Pharmacist's Perceptions and Values Related to Board Certification survey is intended to evaluate what pharmacists expect to attain by pursuing board certification in pharmacy practice and the values related to those issues.

- Ask Members of Congress where they stand on Health and Research. Visit www.yourcongressyourhealth.org to learn more.
 - July 14-18, 2007 AACP Annual Meeting and Seminar in Lake Buena Vista, Florida
 - American Public Health Association (APHA)
 - APHA Policy Statement on The Role of Pharmacists in Public Health: <http://www.apha.org/advocacy/policy/policysearch/default.htm?id=1338>. Position paper was authored by multiple PHS Commissioned Corps officers/pharmacists.
 - Annual Meeting November 3-7, 2007 in Washington, DC. The theme is Politics, Policy and Public health. Great opportunity if you have never attended an APHA meeting. It has a very large multidisciplinary attendance upwards of 13,000 participants. Call for abstracts closed.
 - American Society of Consultant Pharmacists (ASCP)
 - Geriatric Medication Handbook 8th edition now available.
 - October 22-28 will mark the 13th annual observance of National Consultant & Senior Care Pharmacist Week. See ASCP.com website for promotional materials.
 - American Society of Health System Pharmacists (ASHP)
 - Current traineeships are available at: <http://www.ashpfoundation.org/Education/traineeships.cfm>
 - Antithrombotic Pharmacotherapy Traineeship: application deadline: September 10, 2007
 - Oncology Patient Care Traineeship: application deadline: November 1, 2007
 - Information regarding grant opportunities is available at: http://www.ashpfoundation.org/Research/funding_Opps.cfm
 - Pharmacy Resident Practice-Based Research Grant
 - Federal Services Junior Investigator Grant Program Accepting Applications
 - AMSUS
 - 2008 meeting will be held in San Antonio, TX. PHS will be the sponsoring agency
- ◆ **Pharmacy History Project → LT Jeff Vang/LCDR Arianne Camphire**
- Grant from COF to create and maintain information on site for the Office of the Public Health Service Historian
 - Funding was for 2 years
 - Document is in final stages of editing
 - Finalized project anticipated to be completed by October 2007
 - Will send draft to CDR Sood for distribution via the PharmPAC listserv
- ◆ **Membership → CDR Garvey**
- Members have completed their review of the 14 applications (3 members did not vote)
 - Recommendations have been forwarded to RADM Pittman
 - Working on documentation to be sent to OSG
- ◆ **Coin Update → CDR Garvey for CDR Laura Pincock**
- Approximately 100 coins remain
 - Please place your orders now; don't know when the next order will be placed

Career Development → CDR Michael Shiber (MJShiber@bop.gov)

- ◆ **Immunization Initiative→ CDR Shiber**
 - Drafts of after action reports prepared by LCDR Jeff Mouakket; will send to CDR Sood by next Friday, July 20
 - Have trained 20 additional officers at COA
 - Have worked on funding issues
 - Working on clinical work sites
 - LCDR Keith Olin has been selected as Coordinator
- ◆ **Non-APhA/OFRD Immunization Training Work Group → LCDR Jeff Mallette**
 - Initial certification checklist had 2 major changes: item #8 IM & SQ; item #9 is a new item
 - Position paper is under review
- ◆ **Publishing Workgroup→ CDR Louis Flowers**
 - First manuscript will be submitted to AJHP; will coordinate a telecon for all writers
 - Second manuscript is slated to go out in October 2007
 - Plan to submit other manuscripts as well
- ◆ **PY 2008→CDR Shiber**
 - Revised the CV template to correlate with the new 2008 pharmacy benchmarks
 - PAC members' comments due to LCDR Sean Belouin by July 27
 - Will also send the document to the general membership for feedback
- ◆ **Immunizing Pharmacist Listserv→CDR Shiber for CDR Laura Pincock**
 - Resides on the NIH server
 - Pharmacists can self-subscribe
 - Will send message that there is a new listserv for immunizing pharmacists
- ◆ **Clinical Work Group→CDR Scott Giberson**
 - Profession is necessarily moving in the direction of more clinical roles
 - Work group idea is open for discussion
 - CDR Sood requested CDR Giberson to bring to the next PAC meeting a few ideas that the proposed Clinical Subgroup would work on
- ◆ **Mentoring Program → CAPT Lillie Golson**
 - Training program is being planned for week of August 12 (no exact date/time)

JOAG Report → LCDR Brian Campbell (brian.campbell@ihs.gov)

- ◆ Liaison absent. No report presented.

Agency Reports

- ◆ Office of the Secretary (OS) – CDR Jacqueline Thomas
 - Update about USCG HR process; working on a joint HR system
- ◆ Food and Drug Administration (FDA) –CDR Matthew Tarosky
 - Public workshop was held June 26 regarding Risk MAPs (ex. STEPS – thalidomide or IPLEDGE – isotretinoin)

- House approved the FDA Amendments Act; has new provision for drug safety
 - Senate passed a bill regarding generic biologics
 - Safety information: Merck recalled 3 lots of ertopenem; Roche modified labeling of Rocephin
 - New rule regarding dietary supplements
 - New product: On June 21 CDRH cleared IMMA for marketing via the 510 K process; this is a programmable device that stores meds for dispensing in the home
- ◆ Bureau of Prisons (BOP) –LCDR Jeffrey Newman
 - Nothing new to report
- ◆ Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) – LCDR Jeff Mouakket
 - All hands meeting scheduled for July 17 at 1:30pm
 - Promotion ceremony scheduled for July 25 at 1pm
- ◆ DHS – LCDR Patrick Romero (USCG)
 - One position open in Alameda, CA
- ◆ National Institutes of Health (NIH) –CDR Richard DeCederfelt
 - Continue to work on development of inpatient pharmacy information system to interface with existing computerized physician order entry system; estimated completion date is end of 2007
 - Construction of new facility to house all non-dispensing functions; estimated completion date is Summer 2008
 - All hands meeting scheduled for July 16 with RADM Williams and CDR Eckert
 - Promotion ceremony scheduled for July 20
- ◆ Indian Health Service (IHS)→CDR Bradley Bishop (Report Attachment)
 - Member absent. Written report not presented.
- ◆ Ex-Minimus Agencies – CDR Chris Allen provided a report from CDC
 - TB – team from CDC participating in an evaluation program in Thailand (refugee camp); looking at improvements in screening, diagnosis, and treatment
 - Center for Injury Prevention – panel of 30 emergency medicine physicians looking at data collected by Onstar system
 - Malaria and Measles – CDC, Red Cross, and WHO participating in pilot program in Malawi; looking at combining routine immunizations with malaria prevention (mosquito nets)
 - Rabies – visited by the first person to survive Rabies without having been vaccinated; US is considered free of canine rabies

PAC Chair Report→ CDR Sood (NSood@HRSA.GOV)

- As mentioned in the CPO comments, CAPT Bresette and CDR Fritsch will lead the Pharmacy Special Pay Work Group. CDR Sood offered a suggestion to include a member from the 2001 workgroup.
- Need to start thinking about leadership for next PAC year, this includes Chair, Vice-Chair and Section Lead positions; feel free to contact officers currently in these positions to get more information about their day to day responsibilities

Old/New Business:

- ◆ CDR Mike Long, ex-officio, announced that the North Carolina COA branch hosted a promotion ceremony 2 weeks ago; RADM Moritsugu participated; 10 officers were promoted

- ◆ CDR Mike Long announced that BOP is implementing its new pharmacy system across the bureau; full implementation is expected by the end of FY08

The meeting was adjourned @1619

Next Meeting Date:

August 2, 2007, from 1300 to 1600 EST, Surgeon General's Conference Room; Agenda and call-in information will be distributed prior to the meeting

Useful Links and Contact Info:

- ◆ Emails: PharmPAC@list.nih.gov
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- ◆ Listservs: PHS Pharmacists <https://list.nih.gov/archives/phs-pharmacists.html>
PHS Rx Students <https://list.nih.gov/archives/phs-rx-students.html>
OFRD <https://list.nih.gov/archives/ccrf.html>
RPh Job Vacancies <https://list.nih.gov/archives/phs-rx-jobs.html>
CCMIS <https://list.nih.gov/archives/ccinformation-l.html>
CC Vacancies <https://list.nih.gov/archives/ccvacancies-l.html>
- ◆ Websites: PharmPAC <http://hhs.gov/pharmacy>
CCMIS <http://dcp.psc.gov>
USPHS <http://www.usphs.gov>
OFRD <http://oep.osophs.dhhs.gov/ccrf>

--Respectfully Submitted,

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LCDR Tara Turner, Executive Secretary Date

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CDR Nita Sood, Chair Date

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RADM Robert E. Pittman, CPO Date

Attachments:

1. IHS Agency Report
2. Recruitment Section Report
3. Humanitarian Mission to Haiti (presentation)
4. ManPower Project Report