

Rehabilitation Review Panel meeting minutes Oct. 14, 2016

RRP members present

Duane Butorac
Carl Crimmins
Steve Hollander
Laura Jerde
Stephen Jobe, D.C.
Margaret Kasting (by telephone)
Carol Norris
Alissa O'Hara
Bobbi Pearson
Mary Wells

Visitors and DLI staff members present

Sandy Barnes
Jon Brothen (for Chris Leifeld)
Mike Hill, business liaison
Matt Jobe
David Musielewicz
Donna Olson
Jessica Stimac
Jeanne Vogel
Darci Wing

Members excused

Russell Gelfman, M.D.
Richard Hills
Chris Leifeld
Scott Parker
Lisa Weed

Call to order

Chairman Duane Butorac called the meeting to order at 1 p.m. A quorum was met.

Approval of minutes

Stephen Jobe moved and Mary Wells seconded to approve the July 7, 2016, meeting minutes. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Approval of agenda

Carl Crimmins moved and Stephen Jobe seconded to approve the Oct. 14, 2016, meeting agenda as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Assistant commissioner's update – Jon Brothen (substituting for Chris Leifeld)

Jon Brothen discussed staff member changes to the Rehabilitation Review Panel (RRP). Executive Secretary Sonya Herr has handed her duties to Patty Rutz beginning at today's meeting. Brothen thanked Herr for all her work assisting the RRP.

Agenda items

- I. **Request for comments and rule making process** – Jon Brothen discussed the rehabilitation rules request for comments and the rulemaking process. The Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) is planning to go through a complete review of the rehabilitation rules, Chapter 5220. As part of that process, Brothen demonstrated where documents on DLI's website could be found, www.dli.mn.gov/RulemakingWC.asp, along with draft rules as they are developed. He also explained comments can be sent to Matt Jobe (whom he then introduced) via the DLI email address on the website.

- II. ***Model patient/provider contract for long-term treatment with opioid medication*** – Ernest Lampe, M.D., was introduced as the new DLI medical consultant. He is also the medical director of the Dakota Treatment Center and the St. Cloud Treatment Center. Lampe assists DLI’s Workers’ Compensation Division, Research and Statistics unit, Minnesota OSHA units and Special Compensation Fund unit. In addition, Lampe serves as the medical consultant to the Medical Services Review Board (MSRB).

Lampe explained the contract for long-term treatment with opioid medication was developed with MSRB after the Minnesota Attorney General’s Office determined a contract could be required by the medical rules in Chapter 5221. The rules include a process for chronic opioid management. Lampe then went through the contract and explained each section and how it complied with the rules.

- III. ***Traumatic brain injury presentation by Ernest Lampe, M.D.*** – Dr. Lampe presented a slide presentation addressing traumatic brain injury (TBI) that was originally put together for internal education for DLI staff members. It was designed for nonmedical people to give the staff a good basis for understanding brain injuries. He explained a TBI can be classified as mild, moderate or severe. Additionally, TBIs have been associated with early onset of dementia, according to medical studies.
- IV. ***2017 RRP meeting dates*** – and Chairman Butorac addressed the meetings dates for 2017 and asked if there were questions or conflicts. Stephen Jobe made a motion to approve and Carl Crimmins seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried. The meeting dates are Jan. 5, April 6, July 6 and Oct. 12, 2017, and Jan. 4, 2018.
- V. Annual election of RRP chairperson and vice chairperson – and Chairman Butorac opened the meeting for nominations for RRP chairperson and vice chairperson. Stephen Jobe made the motion that “the docket of officers remain the same,” which would keep Duane Butorac as chairman and Dr. Russell Gelfman as vice chairman. Carol Norris seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Other business

Agenda items for the next meeting – Chairman Butorac asked that agenda items for the next meeting be sent to either him or DLI liaison Mike Hill.

Adjournment

Carl Crimmins moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 p.m. and Carol Norris seconded. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Next meeting: Jan. 5, 2017, from 1 to 3 p.m.