

**Arkansas Department of Health Radiation Control
Medical Ionizing Radiation Licensure Committee
Minutes -Tuesday, July 19, 2022; 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Committee members present via Zoom were Lisa Rhoden (Board Chair), Bernard Bevill, Tracy McKnight, Adriane Travis, Sheila Randolph, Rogerich Paylor, M.D., Richard Nelson, M.D., Allan Kirkland, M.D., and Paul Bruce MS, DABR. Members not in attendance were Jacobis Davis. Also, in attendance were Beth Williams, Chuck Thompson, Brian Nichols, Reginald Rogers, Lori Dodson and guests Dejon Roberts, Christen Ingram, and Leigh Ann Sims. This meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

Welcome and Introduction

Mr. Rogers stated we had a quorum and we could start. Mr. Bevill welcomed the committee and asked for introductions from all the attendees. Mr. Bevill made the point that all were in attendance except Mr. Davis.

Minutes Review

The Minutes from the January 11, 2022, meeting were presented and reviewed. Adriane Travis made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Dr. Nelson seconded the motion. There were no objections and the motion passed.

Update on MIRLC Appointments

It is mentioned that Tracy McKnight and Lisa Rhoden have terms expiring in July and they need to turn in applications. We still have an open position for the Consumer Representative.

Review of Rule Revisions

Mr. Bevill informed the committee about the Proposed RTL Rule Revisions became effective as of July 7, 2022. Mr. Bevill wanted to thank Mr. Thompson for his work and time in getting these rules changed and enacted. Mr. Thompson thanked Mr. Bevill for his part in the sessions.

Current Complaints/Violation's:

- PP02225 – Baptist Health Urgent Care, Cabot, AR

On March 24, 2022, Blaine Workman, HP received a complaint during the routine inspection voicing some concerns regarding the clinic's xray practices. He was told that there were two staff members who were being allowed to perform xray procedures with no supervision. She also stated they were being allowed to do all exams without limiting to extremities only or chest only. The tech also stated that these individuals do not use shielding for any patients, including pediatrics. During the inspection, he looked at several images produced by these two staff members. They were not optimal but were passable. The two staff members do have temp ADH licenses. No noted violation was recorded.

- PP0893 – Family Practice Associates, Benton, AR

On April 25, 2022, Blain Workman, HP and Lori Dodson investigated a complaint received by Adelia Oldenbroek, X-Ray/Mammography Program Supervisor. The complainant said that the patient felt she had more x-rays/exposure than she should have had. The investigation found Family Practice Associates, Benton, AR to be in compliance with the Arkansas State Board of Health Rules for Control of Sources of Ionizing Radiation.

- PP2311/PP02351 – Baptist Health Urgent Care, Fort Smith, AR

On June 1, 2022, Lori Dodson received a complaint from a x-ray tech. According to her, this clinic and several sister clinics have hired people to become limited techs but are not supervising or training them, they are just letting them take x-rays without any education or supervised training. She is concerned about the safety of the patients and the integrity of her

profession. The tech in question does have a temporary limited license issued on 03/03/2022. She has not scheduled the exam as of 07/19/2022.

Mr. Workman and Mrs. Dodson visited 2 Fort Smith clinics. One clinic does not use limited techs and the other one only has 1 limited tech. The investigation found Baptist Health Urgent Care on Zero Street and Rogers Ave, Fort Smith, AR to be in compliance with the Arkansas State Board of Health Rules for Control of Sources of Ionizing Radiation.

- Billy W. Jamison – RTL01 1260 – ARRT Sanction

On May 19, 2022, we received notification from ARRT that Billy W. Jamison was found to be ineligible for ARRT reinstatement due to delayed disclosure of felony offenses from 2017 and 2019 and non-disclosure of a 1986 misdemeanor offense. Letters were sent to Mr. Jamison via USPS, Certified Mail (Received 06/03/2022) and email with no response. The MIRLC meeting information was also shared with Mr. Jamison inviting him to attend which was also met with no response.

The committee discussed his situation and decided to vote on his Arkansas State licensure eligibility. Motion to not renew Mr. Jamison's Arkansas State license was made by Dr. Paylor and seconded by Ms. Travis. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Jamison will be notified of the committee's decision.

Follow up:

- License Request – Brandon Cody Petet

Last meeting the committee voted to issue Mr. Petet his Arkansas State License after reviewing documentation and determining he was eligible for consideration. Mr. Petet was informed of the decision and mailed his State license on April 28, 2022.

- Request for Temporary License Extension

Dejon Roberts is asking for another extension of his temporary license. He met with the committee and explained that he has attempted the Registry twice and has changed up his study habits. His last test is scheduled for July

25, 2022, but he would like to be able to reschedule it if he can get another extension. Mr. Roberts was dismissed from the meeting and the committee discussed this and decided they could allow him another 90 day extension. A motion to extend Mr. Roberts temporary license 90 days to expire on October 30, 2022 was made by Ms. Travis and seconded by Dr. Kirkland. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Roberts will be notified of the committee's decision.

- Request for Temporary License Extension

Christen Ingram has asked for another extension to her temporary license. Ms. Ingram was admitted the meeting. The committee asked questions and Ms. Ingram explained the circumstances that have led up to needing another extension, including having her surgery on July 5. Ms. Ingram was dismissed, and the committee discussed the request at length. It was mentioned that she has already had the maximum 180 day extension according to Arkansas Code 17-106-109 Licenses. Ms. Travis made the motion to not extend Ms. Ingrams temporary license. Tracy McKnight seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Ingram will be notified of the committee's decision along with guidance about her timeframe.

- Suspension

Ms. Leigh Anne Sims ARRT registration has been revised to CE Probation. The committee received some background on Ms. Sims' situation and briefly discussed it. Ms. Sims was admitted to the meeting and asked to give her side of the story as far as her ethics violation with ARRT. There was a lengthy discussion with Ms. Sims and several questions were asked. Ms. Sims was dismissed and the committee continued to discuss her situation. A motion was made by Dr. Paylor to not reinstate Ms. Sims license with a second by Ms. Randolph. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Sims will be notified of the decision along with a request for all the information she has received from ARRT. Once we have the information, it will be brought to the committee at our next meeting.

New Business

- CE Credit Audits

Ms. Dodson informed the committee that she has started sending out CE audit letters to 20% of renewals each month. She has had about a 50% response so far.

- ARRT State Exam Changes

Ms. Dodson brought up that ARRT will have some changes in the State Limited Scope Exams. The information was shared with the committee.

- ARRT Reprimands/Sanctions

There were no new reprimands or sanctions to discuss.

- ARRT Limited Scope Score Statistics

The ARRT Limited Scope statistics for the second quarter of 2022 were reviewed.

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED

The next Quarterly MEDICAL IONIZING RADIATION LICENSURE COMMITTEE meeting is set for October 11, 2022, 3:00 p.m.

MEETING TERMINATION

The meeting ended at 5:35 p.m. with a motion from Dr. Nelson and seconded by Ms. Travis.

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