



Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy,
and Athletic Trainers Board

Athletic Trainers Section
July 17, 2012
8:30 a.m.

Members Present

Aaron Galpert, AT (*arrived from ATERP @9:00 am*)
Jason Dapore, DO
Brian Hartz, AT, PhD, Chair
Vincent O'Brien, AT, Secretary

Staff

Diane Moore, Executive Assistant
Adam Pennell, Investigator Assistant
Jeffrey Rosa, Executive Director

Legal Counsel

Yvonne Tertel, AAG

Guests

Jeff Sczpanski, OATA

Call to Order

Brian Hartz, Section Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:53 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Action: Vincent O'Brien moved that the minutes from the May 9, 2012, meeting be approved as submitted. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. Aaron Galpert was absent due to attending AT Enforcement Review Panel. The motion carried.

Executive Director's Report

- The Executive Director reported that he is developing the FY 2014-2015 Budget. The Board is allowed to budget up to 100 percent of FY 2013 appropriation authority.
- The Executive Director informed the Section that the State is moving towards a new workforce planning model. The new planning model will allow agencies more flexibility in hiring, which should allow the Board to fill the vacant clerk position.
- The Executive Director reported that renewals were mailed to all athletic trainers earlier in July.
- The Executive Director reported that he attended the Board of Certification Athletic Trainers Regulatory Conference planning committee meeting.
- The Executive Director informed the Section that the concussion bill passed out of the House of Representatives.
- The Executive Director reported that the sponsor for the Joint Board bill is working on getting the bill introduced.

The formal Executive Director's report is attached to the minutes for reference.

Discussion of Law and Rule Changes

The Executive Director informed the Section that it is the Section's goal to get feedback from stakeholders on the rules up for 5-year review. The Section will review comments and changes at the September Section meeting. The Section will arrange for an in-person stakeholder meeting depending on the comments received from stakeholders.

Administrative Reports

Licensure Applications

Action: Vincent O'Brien moved that the Athletic Trainers Section ratify, as submitted, the athletic training licenses issued by examination, endorsement, and reinstatement by the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board from May 9, 2012, through July 17, 2012, taking into account those licenses subject to discipline, surrender, or non-renewal. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Examination Applicants

Abrams, Sara

Alfonsi, Michael

Anderson, Alyssa

Baker, Frank
Bartlett, Zachary
Bowker, Samantha
Conger, Christopher
English, Tyra
Goldinger, Timothy
Harrington, Amber
Jones, Tiffanie
Kerecman, Kathleen
Lynch, Katherine
Murphy, Robyn
Rahe, Zachariah
Rosner, Niles
Samson, Christine
Schneider, Kelsey
Welsch, Lauren
Williams, Ryan

Baker, Nicole
Berg, Janell
Boyne, Theresa
Decker, Meredith
Foster, Chelsea
Graber, Deanna
Hounshell, Garrett
Keifer, Janel
Kruger, Brittany
Malin, Zachary
Newman, Michael
Ray, Amber
Rubin, Jillian
Sawmiller, Tiffani
Staker, Melissa
Whitney, Garrett
Winters, Lauryn

Barry, Kimberly
Borowske, Christine
Chilton, Rachel
Diller, Courtney
Foy, Lauren
Gross, Elizabeth
Ivancic, Kelsey
Kempton, Joshua
Lefevre, Caitlin
Mumaw, Nicole
Obenauf, Emily
Remy, Joshua
Sabo, Daniel
Schaffer, Jennifer
Totoro, Jesse
Wildermuth, Zane
Zawacki, Chad

Endorsement Applicants

Barnhouse, Shaun
Dziedzicki, David
Haller, Kelly
Kuntzelman, Kristine
Richey, Nicholas
Trojan, Alison
Yensen, Chad

Daniels, Jessica
Geise, Allison
Hromulak, Hanna
Meade, Amanda
Ruckelshaus, Drew
Wagner, Ashley

Dill, Karli
Hacker, Joseph
Justice, Keith
Nichols, Brian
Scheper, Erin
Williams, Catherine

Reinstatement Applicants

Miller, Meghan

Peabody, Andrea

Turner, Wilbert

Continuing Education Approval

Vincent O'Brien reported that seven continuing education applications were approved since the May 9, 2012 meeting.

Event Approval

None

Assistant Attorney General Report

Yvonne Tertel, AAG, had no formal report for the Section.

Case Review Liaison Report

Aaron Galpert reported that the Enforcement Division opened one new case since the May 9, 2012 meeting. There are four cases currently open. There is one active consent agreement being monitored.

Correspondence

1. **Jennifer Novak:** Ms. Novak asked the Section to review the Activator Methods administration response to the Board's position on athletic trainers using the activator method in client treatments. **Reply:** It is the position of Ohio Athletic Trainers Section that spinal manipulation is within the scope of practice of athletic training practice. Athletic trainers are educated to perform joint mobilization techniques. These types of treatments are detailed in both the Board of Certification's Role Delineation Study, Sixth Edition (Domain 4, Task 0402 – manual therapy techniques) as well as the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE) Education Competencies (5th Edition). Under the material pertaining to joint mobilization, competencies include: Therapeutic Intervention – 14: Describe the use of joint mobilization in pain reduction and restoration of joint mobility; and Therapeutic Intervention – 15: Perform joint mobilization techniques as indicated by examination findings. However, the athletic trainer must

produce evidence of appropriate training and demonstrate knowledge and competency in administering the activator method prior to providing treating a client.

2. **Kelly Patterson:** Ms. Patterson asked the Section questions regarding treating and making return to play decisions for visiting team athletes. **Reply:** In accordance with section 4755.60 (A) of the Ohio Revised Code, treatment consists of the techniques and procedures used in giving care in situations where assistance is required or requested. Such actions should be reasonable and prudent within the scope of practice of athletic training. A progression of categories is listed as a guideline for your use. All treatment should be rendered in accordance with any established protocol for the venue. Physician directives should be followed at all times. Permission to treat should be obtained. Athletic trainers should not attempt any treatment measure unfamiliar to them or outside the scope of athletic training practice. Some variance may be seen in treatment, depending upon educational background, facility or setting limitations, and patient response. A referral is not required for first aide and routine treatment. However, a referral is required for restorative treatment. **First Aid (no referral necessary) - Basic**, immediate care given on site to stabilize and prepare for evacuation and referral as needed. **Routine (no referral necessary) - Maintenance** and preventative measures commonly used by athletic trainers, such as pre-event warm-up and post-event cool-down procedures. The sole intent of treatments used is to maintain normal function during participation and daily living. For example, athletes sometimes request to be taped as a prophylactic measure or ritual for participation. Prophylactic taping is not care of an injury; it is a desire of the athlete, and does not call for the degree of skill in selection of taping method or application, as might be used by a licensed health care practitioner. **Restorative - Patient specific instructions** for use with a diagnosed injury or as prescribed by the referral source. **Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) - A protocol set forth by team physicians and athletic trainers for treatment or various injuries prior to evaluation by a physician.** Such procedures should be followed as outlined with timely referral. This protocol must be documented and on file in the setting where used. Athletic trainers may provide visiting teams, traveling without an athletic trainer or team physician, first aid/emergency care and routine care. An athletic trainer can make return to play decisions for visiting team athletes if there is no injury present. They should not provide restorative treatments or return an injured athlete or an athlete with a suspected injury to participation. The information contained in this response would also apply to the visiting team athletic trainer if the home team did not have an athletic trainer. Athletic injury means any injury sustained by an individual that affects the individual's participation or performance in sports, games, recreation, exercise, or other activity that requires physical strength, agility, flexibility, speed, stamina, or range of motion. If an athletic trainer practitioner determines that the athlete has an athletic injury, then the athlete should not be returned to play. If an athlete shows any signs of concussion, then the athlete should not be returned to play the time of the injury.
3. **Zachariah Rahe:** Mr. Rahe asked the Section if athletic trainers can perform functional assessment screenings under the supervision of an occupational therapist. **Reply:** Yes, it is within the scope of practice for athletic trainers to perform BWC screens. Under the BWC policy, athletic trainers do not need the supervision of an occupational therapist, provided that the prescription is for athletic training.

Old Business

OATA Return to Play Document

Brian Hartz will follow up with Hollie Kozak regarding OATA's draft on *Guidelines For Making Return To Play Decisions By An Ohio Licensed Athletic Trainer*.

Ohio Athletic Trainers Association (OATA)

Jeff Sczpanski gave a brief update on HB143, Youth Sports Injuries. Mr. Sczpanski also reported that OATA will submit recommendations for two additional individuals to the Governor's office for potential appointment to the Board.

Open Forum

Brian Hartz gave a brief update on the NATA conference. Mr. Hartz reported that the Board of Certification (BOC) is looking to change the way continuing education is calculated and move away from contact hours

Items for the Next Meeting

- Update on Jurisprudence Examination
- OATA Presentation in 2013

- Elections

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date of the Athletic Trainers Section will be Thursday, September 6, 2012, at 9:30 am.

Adjournment

Action: Aaron Galpert moved that the meeting be adjourned. Jason Dapore seconded the motion. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Moore

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