

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF PHARMACY  
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**December 19, 2023**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Agenda**

- I.** Call to Order
- II.** Minutes
- III.** Review and Update of Board Authorized Protocols
  - a. Acute Group A Streptococcal Pharyngitis Infection
  - b. Acute Influenza Chemoprophylaxis
  - c. Acute Influenza Infection Antiviral Therapy
- IV.** Adjournment

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF PHARMACY**  
**Via Zoom**  
**PROTOCOL REVIEW COMMITTEE**  
**December 19, 2023**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**MINUTES**

Members present: Cassandra Hobbs, James Hallahan, Joel Thornbury, Emily Gatewood. Members absent: Dr. Ronald “Brent” Wright. Staff present: Executive Director Chris Harlow, Deputy Executive Director Juliana Swiney, Executive Assistant Nikki Holiday. Board members present: Jonathan Van Lahr

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson Cassandra Hobbs called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

**MINUTES:**

**Action:** Joel Thornbury motioned to accept the minutes from the October 24, 2023 meeting. Emily Gatewood seconded, and the motion passed.

**Scheduling of meetings:** Committee members discussed the scheduling of meetings going forward due to members having conflicts with the current meeting schedule. Dates, times, and frequency of meetings were discussed. The members decided on the following meeting schedule through June: February 6, 2024 from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.; March 5, 2024, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.; May 7 time to be determined; June 4 time to be determined.

**REVIEW AND UPDATE OF BOARD AUTHORIZED PROTOCOLS**

**Acute Group A Streptococcal Pharyngitis Infection (continued):** The tracked changes from the last meeting were accepted on the updated protocol. General Counsel Eden Davis recommended removing the following language in the Terms section as it is not rooted in regulation: *It shall remain in effect for a period of one year and shall automatically renew for successive one-year periods unless otherwise terminated by any party, with or without cause.*

**Action:** Cassy Hobbs motioned to accept the guidance provided by General Counsel. Joel Thornbury seconded, and the motion passed.

**Action:** Cassy Hobbs motioned to notify pharmacists via the Board’s newsletter. James Hallahan seconded, and the motion passed.

**Action:** Cassy Hobbs motioned to move the three (3) lines about training under each pharmacist to link the training to each individual pharmacist. Emily Gatewood seconded, and the motion passed.

James Hallahan offered to create an addendum and the headers and footers that could be used as consistent formatting in all the protocols.

**Action:** Cassy Hobbs motioned to approve the Acute Group A Streptococcal Pharyngitis Infection Protocol with the edits from today’s meeting and send it to the Board for the January meeting. James Hallahan seconded, and the motion passed.

**Acute Influenza Infection Antiviral Therapy:** Committee members moved on to the next protocol, Acute Influenza Infection Antiviral Therapy. Juliana Swiney reviewed the changes made at the last meeting. Topics in this protocol discussed included CLIA-waived testing, procedures for initiation of therapy and follow-up timeline. The template/formatting was discussed again, and it was suggested to use a streamlined template for all protocols. The Committee went back and reviewed the formatting of the strep protocol and agreed to use that formatting for this protocol. The Committee continued to work through the protocol, updating it as necessary.

**Action:** James Hallahan motioned to approve the Acute Influenza Infection Antiviral Therapy Protocol with the changes made today and the changes to the signature area to match the strep protocol and send it to the Board for the January meeting. Emily Gatewood seconded, and the motion passed.

**NEXT MEETING:** February 6, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.