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**THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY
HELD A TELEPHONIC COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
ON OCTOBER 11, 2016**

AGENDA ITEM 1 - Call to Order

Chairperson Dr. Dang called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

The following committee members were present:

1. Kevin Dang – Chairperson
2. Michael Blaire – Co Chairperson
3. Jon Scott Williams
4. John Saliba
5. Kam Gandhi – Board Staff
6. Jeanne Galvin – Assistant Attorney General

Laura Burton was not present but provided written comment.

The following participants were present:

1. Roger Morris
2. Nick Meza
3. Amy Peterson
4. Cheyenne Walsh

Dr. Gandhi stated that a letter was sent to obtain an exemption to the rules moratorium to allow assisted living facilities to transmit orders to the pharmacy.

Dr. Dang stated to add verbal or written order to line two. Written prescriptions would allow for a faxed copy as well.

Dr. Dang stated that medical practitioner or medical practitioner's designee was discussed over practitioner's designee.

Ms. Galvin pointed out that the definition of agent would restrict us to use it for this purpose.

Mr. Saliba requested clarification of transmit to the pharmacy. Mr. Saliba stated that there are different levels that would need to be met.

Dr. Dang discussed changing the verbiage from practitioner's designee to facility personnel. Dr. Dang also stated that there was a need to add C3-C5 medications.

Mr. Saliba stated that the DEA has strict agent language and this would be a violation.

Dr. Dang stated that he would like the policy to be reviewed every 2 years. Dr. Dang and Mr. Saliba agreed that the Pharmacist in Charge or his designee may assist the assisted living facility in developing their policy.

Mr. Williams stated that the assisted living statutes cover the policy and procedures language and there is no need to recreate additional language.

Dr. Gandhi stated that we cannot change anything outside of the exemption to the moratorium request.

Ms. Galvin stated that requiring a DHS license to be submitted each time an order is transmitted is burdensome. Ms. Galvin stated that it should be modified to obtain the permit annually.

Mr. Saliba discussed over regulating and let the pharmacist make the smart decision.

Mr. Williams stated that assisted living facilities language has changed to put the responsibility on the manager for everything that occurs in that facility.

A call to the public was made and no one came forth.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 P.M.