

# SC Board of Medical Examiners Respiratory Care Committee Minutes

**Committee Meeting of July 8, 2022**  
**10:00 a.m. WebEx Meeting**  
**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree**  
**Building 110 Centerview Drive**  
**Columbia, South Carolina 29210**

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## Meeting Called to Order

*The meeting was held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act by notice emailed to The State newspaper, Associated Press, WIS-TV and all other requesting persons, organizations, or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the Board's website and on the bulletin boards located at both of the main entrances of the Kingstree Building where the Board office is located. The meeting was held via videoconference and the public who wished to attend could email [medboard@llr.sc.gov](mailto:medboard@llr.sc.gov) for login instructions.*

## **Minutes Friday, July 8, 2022**

Mr. Jerry Alewine, Committee Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m. with a quorum present. Other members of the Committee present were as follows: Rahul Argula, MD, Sean Callahan, MD, and Christopher Perry, MD, Joel Livesay, RCP, Allan Dunphy, RCP, Scott Simms, RCP

Angela Harville, RCP absent. The Chairman has approved her absence.

Members of the S.C. Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR) staff participating during the video included: Candace Parnell, RCP Program Administrative Assistant, Johnnie Rose, Program Coordinator, Maggie Murdock, Administrator, Katie Harlacher, Program Coordinator, and Megan Flannery, Advice Counsel.

Review and adoption of Agenda; Approval of April 2022 minutes. The board approved the meeting agenda and the April 2022 minutes.

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## **Respiratory Care Practitioners with Temporary Licenses applying for Permanent Licensure:**

After review, a motion was made to approve the list of applicants with temporary licenses for permanent licensure (52) to include applicants who have "yes" answers (4) that were addressed individually. **Grace Paulson** and **Stephen Graham** were excluded from the approval as the Committee has requested additional information for review. Motion made by Allan Dunphy, RCP. Second by Joel Livesay, RCP. Motion carried.

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### **PAP and Non-Invasive Ventilation Delivery, Setup, and Monitoring Regulation**

Michael Purcell, Sleep Technology Group LLC presented some questions pertaining to PAP/NIV care in the home. Mr. Purcell is asking for clarification on who (CRT, RRT, or RCT) can be exempt from the regulations.

After review of each question below, the decision of the committee in respect to the questions concerning home administration. Licensure does not discriminate between CRT and RRT. They each are designated as a Respiratory Care Practitioner (RCP).

1. Program or change settings to a device with documented orders from the treating physician? **RCP**
2. Deliver a device to the home and instruct the client on the devices operations? **RCP**
3. Deliver and / or help client get a proper mask fit by actually touching and adjusting mask while on the client? **RCP**
4. Deliver and / or explain how to ensure the mask fits correctly without touching the client? **RCP**
5. Deliver, instruct, or explain how the device interacts with the body systems in clinical terminology? **RCP**
6. Deliver, instruct, or explain how the device interacts with the body systems in non-clinical terminology and they identify themselves as NOT being clinical? **RCP**
7. There is terminology in some of the literature that discusses monitoring. Does the person monitoring a patient need one of the designations above in a home setting if monitoring for compliance? **RCT**

Jerry Alewine mentioned to the committee of the upcoming SC Society of Respiratory Care Practitioners Summit, August 12, 2022 held at Newberry College.

Joel Livesay, RCP made a motion to adjourn at 10:42 am. Scott Simms, RCP seconded.

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2022, at 10:00 a.m., via WebEx.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Parnell  
RCP Program Administrative Assistant