

**TN MEDICAL LABORATORY BOARD
TASK FORCE COMMITTEE
August 25, 2016**

Present: Board Members Cheryl Arnott CT Board Chair; Carla Davis, MD; Jason Nolan, MD
Michael Johnson MT Staff: Lynda England MT Board Director, Nina Smith, MT Board Consultant;
Richard Carroll, MT Board Consultant Surveyor Middle TN Regional Office, Kyonzté Hughes-Toombs
Esq, MBA, CHC Deputy General Counsel. Absent: Board Member Patty Walton, MT

Introduce Members	Meeting called to order: 8:15 am CDT
Goal of task force	To clarify applicability of Regulation 1200-06-03-.08 (1) (c) pertaining to test reports and test records pertaining to pathologists reading of slides after completion of histopathology technique by a pathology group.
Discussion pertaining to pathology group whose members is providing directorships of Tennessee licensed laboratory facilities. Involves designated director and also any anatomic-licensed physician deemed to direct the laboratory in the absence of the designated director.	<p>Discussion centered on the practice of a pathologist, physician, licensed in Tennessee by the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners to practice his/her profession in this state.</p> <p>A question concerning the practice of this profession and the reading of slides by a member of a pathology group working in contract with a hospital laboratory licensed in Tennessee.</p> <p>The question concerned a pathology group that resides in a license hospital or on the hospital's campus requiring its own license. The actual event (slide reading) is taking place in a facility that is already licensed.</p> <p>Furthermore, is the name of both entities (physician's group and where slide is actually read by pathologist) necessary to both be on the final report?</p>
Suggestions	<p>Task force members made a recommendation to present to the full board with the following observations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) if the facility state license does not have the current address where the slide is read a correction must be made to the report to indicate where the histology practices are performed and also where the slide is read. A second license is not necessary. 2) The license where the slide is read must be compliant with the recommendations found in 1200-06-03 with the specialty of pathology on the face of the document. 3) both sites (laboratory and group practice) are subject to unannounced biennial surveys.

	<p>A motion to present to the Board during the quarterly meeting October 20, 2016 was made by: Dr. Nolan A second to the motion was made by: Dr. Davis The motion was approved.</p> <p>The task force committee requested Board discussion regarding limitations/conflicts of the practice of pathology relative to the rules and regulation for medical laboratories.</p> <p>Motion: Mr. Johnson Second: Dr. Nolan Approved.</p>
<p>Observation</p>	<p>It was noted the revision of Rules and Regulations Governing Medical Laboratory Personnel were being reviewed by the Office of General Counsel and the committee decided to request a task force for review of those rules to determine any impact this discussion may have or other changes that could benefit the practice of laboratory medicine in Tennessee.</p> <p>Motion: Mr. Johnson Second: Dr. Davis Approved.</p> <p>A motion was made to pay particular attention to the scope of practice for the cytotechnologists: Regulation 1200-06-01-.24(2).</p> <p>Motion: Nolan Second: Mr. Johnson Approved</p>
<p>Adjourn</p>	<p>On a motion properly presented by Mr. Johnson with a second by Dr. Nolan the meeting adjourned at 10:00 am CDT.</p>

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