MINUTES

Roll call 2:12 p.m.

**Members Present:**
Shailesh Gupta, M.D. - Vice Chair
Kevin Cairns, M.D.
Nicholas Romanello, Consumer Member
Hector Vila, M.D.
Zachariah P. Zachariah, M.D.

**Staff Present:**
Claudia Kemp, JD, Executive Director
Donna McNulty, Board Counsel
Nancy Murphy, Certified Paralegal
Crystal Sanford, Program Operations Administrator
Shaila Washington, Regulatory Supervisor

**Others Present:**
American Court Reporting
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**Rules Discussion**

Request for Rulemaking: Rule 64B8-9.012, F.A.C. – Standards for the Prescription of Obesity Drugs

Andreas Dettlaff, CEO, of Nu Image Medical and Wellness Group, PA, appeared before the Committee along with Mario Gomez, CTO and Michael Smith, M.D.

Mr. Dettlaff presented their request for rulemaking to change Rule 64B8-9.012, F.A.C. The proposal included language to allow initial evaluation of patient via telehealth, the removal of “in-person” re-evaluation and the addition of language to allow electronic prescribing.

Allen Grossman, Esquire said in the past the committee labored over drafting rule language. He had concerns about language such as “in person”, “in writing” and “hard copy”. Mr. Grossman recommend the Committee consider looking at the language.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to leave rule as is.

**Action taken:** decline to go into rulemaking for this rule.

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This report is provided to the members by Ms. Murphy for information only. It provides the status of rules the Board has been working on.

No action necessary.

**Legislative Discussion:**
Ms. Kemp presented the legislative summary to the members.
There was discussion on the Interstate Licensure Compact.

Dr. Gupta noted that the chart indicated the top five largest states are not contemplating the compact.

Chris Nuland, Esquire, representing the American College of Physicians, addressed the Committee regarding a bill that would change the composition of the Board. Mr. Nuland asked the Committee’s position on replacing a consumer member with a physician assistant.

Members were not in support of adding a physician assistant to the Board.

Dr. Zachariah said he is not sure physician assistants have the education and training necessary to take disciplinary action on a physician. Consumer members represent the public.

No action necessary.

**Old Business:**
None

**New Business:**
None

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.