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PA Compact Rules Committee Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2025

Name	Member Role	Voting Member	Attendance
Jamie Alley	WV Delegate	X	X
Valeska Barr	OK Delegate	X	X
Elizabeth Huntley	MN Delegate	X	X
Stephanie Loucka	OH Delegate	X	X
Catherine Marie Patterson	TN Delegate	X	Joined after roll
Larry Marx	UT Delegate	X	Joined after roll
Robert Sanders	WI Delegate	X	
Total voting members present			6
Marisa Courtney	Vice Chair PA Commission		X
Kathy Scarbalis	Ex-Officio – AAPA		X
Nathan Smith	OH board staff		
Tim Terranova	Chair PA Commission		
Name	Non-Member Role		Attendance
Nahale Kalfas	Interim Legal Counsel		X
Abigail Mortell	Interim Executive Director		X
Carl Sims	CSG		X
Laura Monick	OH staff		X

VOTES			
Name	Agenda	Minutes (June 4)	
Jamie Alley	2		
Valeska Barr		2	
Elizabeth Huntley	1	1	
Stephanie Loucka			
Catherine Marie Patterson			
Larry Marx			
Robert Sanders			
TOTALS	Motion passes	Motion passes	

Welcome

Call to order/Roll Call

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Chair Loucka calls to order the meeting at 11:01 a.m. ET.

8 Met Quorum at 11:01 a.m. ET.

A. Mortell takes roll. 4/7 members present.

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Review and Adopt Agenda

- 12 Committee reviewed the agenda; Chair Loucka called for a motion to adopt the agenda.
- 13 **Motion**: Committee reviews the agenda.
 - Elizabeth Huntley motions to adopt the agenda.
 - Jamie Alley seconds.
 - Agenda is adopted.

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Minutes from June 4, 2025

Motion:

- Elizabeth Huntley motions to adopt the minutes.
- Valeska Barr seconds.
- The minutes are approved.

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- Marie Patterson joined meeting at 11:08 a.m. ET.
- L. Marx joined meeting at 11:11 a.m. ET.
 - L. Monick noted she will share written comments on behalf of Chair Terranova who could not attend this meeting.

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Draft Rule 2 – State of Qualifying License Process

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2.0 Purpose

- Chair Terranova (via L. Monick) In line 15, suggests leaving in ultimate responsibility sentence, but not sure if the others are needed. Also ok with keeping all or none.
- J. Alley Favors the inclusion of "ultimately" in Purpose paragraph.
- L. Marx Approves of the "Purpose" paragraph, as the commission needs to look to the states for validation of the qualifying license.

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2.1 Definitions

• Chair Terranova – Suggests "service member" definition is no longer necessary since all references to it in the rule have been removed.

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2.1 State of Qualifying License Designation

- Chair Terranova Line 65, suggestion to add at the end of the sentence "and meets all other requirements as defined in compact law."
 - o Chair Loucka and L. Marx agree with the suggestion.
- V. Barr In 2.2, we have licensees sign an attestation that they are unaware of any type of investigation, is this referring to any time they are applying with the state of qualifying license, or only when they terminate one license (as referred to in 2.1a)?
 - Ochair Loucka Clarifies question, do licensees only sign an attestation regarding knowledge of investigations when they are switching their state of qualifying license, and if so, why are they not doing that at the point of initial compact licensure?
 - o V. Barr confirms.
 - N. Kalfas The Commission has authority pursuant to the language in the compact to require that attestation at any point in the process.
 - L. Monick The original discussion that the committee had on the attestation, particularly when the applicant is voluntarily terminating and picking a new state of qualifying license, was to prevent a licensee avoiding any kind of upcoming

- discipline. The statute does not contemplate denying any kind of application based on pending discipline, only if they have been disciplined.
 - o L. Marx Attestation should be on initial application as well as redesignation.
 - N. Kalfas Until there is a final decision in an ongoing disciplinary investigation, the Commission is not prevented from proceeding with granting a license, but having the attestation allows states to inquire and know that an investigation is ongoing.
 - o K. Scarbalis Agrees with L. Marx's point.

- J. Alley There is a lot of information to help a PA understand what to do when they are terminating a state of qualifying license and picking a new one, but very little regarding the initial point of licensure. 2.1 seems to be written so regulators understand, while 2.2 is written so PAs understand.
 - Chair Loucka Agrees, it should be something both regulators and PAs can understand.
- L. Monick Now that we have taken out requirements for designating a state of qualifying license in 2.1a, we do have language in rule 3 for Compact Privilege Process, where more of the information on the process of getting a privilege is, has the purpose of this rule changed and do we need to restructure? We will need to leave in a process for when licensees voluntarily terminate their state of qualifying license, but could it be merged with rule 3 rather than having a separate rule?
 - Chair Loucka Agrees it could be one rule about the privilege itself and break the
 privilege process into establishing initial privilege and switching state of
 qualifying license.
 - o K. Scarbalis Is it possible to direct people to rule 3 for further steps?
 - Chair Loucka There are two options, first to refer people to rule 3, and second to combine rules 2 and 3. Favors combining the rules.
 - o J. Alley Agrees the rules can be combined.
- Chair Terranova Add language "neither the Commission nor the data system shall receive or maintain..." to line 106.
 - Chair Loucka Likes that addition for the purpose of FBI audits.
 - o J. Alley Add "the Commission, the data system, or other participating state" so the language is broader.
 - N. Kalfas Make the language plural, "other participating states," in case the licensee is getting privileges in multiple participating states.
- J. Alley Is there any contemplation that a PA would be able to start the process of establishing a new qualifying state license before terminating their current one? Regarding continuation of practice, there could be a time-out of up to 60 days in licensee's ability to practice because they cannot start in their new state with practice privileges under the new state of qualifying license. Would it be possible to establish a process of transferring state of qualifying license before termination of current license occurs?
 - Chair Loucka Could make it so the initial state of qualifying license does not terminate until the approval of the new state of qualifying license.
 - N. Kalfas Provided the following language from the Nursing Compact for change in primary state of residence, which is a process analogous to a PA changing their state of qualifying license:
 - "403. CHANGE IN PRIMARY STATE OF RESIDENCE (1) A nurse who changes his or her primary state of residence from one party state to

107 another party state may continue to practice under the existing multistate 108 license while the nurse's application is processed and a multistate license 109 is issued in the new primary state of residence. (2) Upon issuance of a new multistate license, the former primary state of residence shall deactivate its 110 111 multistate license held by the nurse and provide notice to the nurse. (3) If a 112 party state verifies that a licensee who holds a multistate license changes 113 primary state of residence to a non-party state, the party state shall convert 114 the multistate license to a single state license within fifteen (15) calendar 115 days, and report this conversion to the Coordinated Licensure Information System. History: Adopted December 12, 2017; effective January 19, 116

- K. Scarbalis Believes most people would terminate after acquiring a new active license, besides emergency situations or movement required by military duty.
 Agrees with deference to Nursing Compact language suggested by N. Kalfas language.
- Chair Loucka A draft of that process will be included in the next draft.
- V. Barr It would be preferable if in this process the Commission would notify the original state of qualifying license.
- N. Kalfas Oher commissions have established that the data system provides notification.

Draft Rule 3 – Compact Privilege Process

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Chair Loucka – Rule 2 will be added to rule 3.

3.1 Definitions

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• Chair Loucka – Definition of "NCCPA" has been added.

3.3 Eligibility for Compact Privilege

• Chair Loucka – Edit made on line 78 in accordance with added NCCPA definition.

3.4 Compact Participation Process

- Chair Loucka Opens floor for comments.
- Chair Terranova Do we need additional language on line 119 (subsection a.4)? Concerned that using the term "discrepancies" may be limiting.
 - L. Monick Recalls previous discussion, when an application is received and the background check turns up questions, the licensing agency must request additional information.
- Chair Terranova Line 127 (subsection b.2), change language to notify the applicant to complete a background check, since the state board does not conduct the background check.
- L. Monick Referring to Chair Terranova's first comment on 3.4, "discrepancies" keeps it contained to what issues are turned up on the background check but doesn't overly limit what the agency can ask for follow up.
 - o J. Alley FSMB uses "unusual circumstances."
 - N. Kalfas Sees a difference between "discrepancies" and "unusual circumstances." Potentially add both and include language "in accordance with compact requirements."

- L. Marx Agrees with N. Kalfas and J. Alley. Would like to include something
 less connotative. Often what is needed is information to complete the application.
 - L. Monick Could add "information requested by the state of qualifying license related to the application under review."
 - o Chair Loucka May be too broad.
 - o N. Kalfas Include "in accordance with compact language."
 - Chair Loucka For second comment from Chair Terranova, it seems to be a technical drafting correction.
 - o N. Kalfas sent suggested language in the chat for 3.4, b.2, state of qualifying licensure shall "receive and review" criminal background checks.
 - Chair Loucka 3.4 subsection c will be cleaned up consistent with the deletions in rule 2
 - Chair Loucka Moves to discuss 3.4 subsection d.
 - o N. Kalfas Add "authorize the issuance of" compact privilege, currently reads like the privilege is issued by the state itself.
 - Chair Loucka Disagrees because the states do authorize the system to issue the privilege.
 - o J. Alley Agrees with Chair Loucka. From a regulatory perspective, the state is issuing the privilege, and the data system provides the corresponding materials.
 - N. Kalfas Clarification could be provided by defining the term "issue" because the data system does not authorize practitioners but provides the materials authorized by the states.
 - o J. Alley Some states have practice requirements that require follow up from the state in which it is issued.
 - K. Scarbalis Clarifying point, licensees will apply for the license through the data system, but the privilege is issued through the states?
 - o Chair Loucka That is correct.
 - o N. Kalfas Clarification, the data system effectuates what the states authorize?
 - o Chair Loucka Correct.
 - o K. Scarbalis Potentially make an FAQ explaining this process.
 - o N. Kalfas The Communications committee will have to create multiple FAQs to explain this process to people.
 - Chair Loucka Plan to continue discussion on rule 3 at the next meeting.
 - V. Barr Has some points about rule 3 to discuss at the next meeting.
 - N. Kalfas Requests review of the addition of line 170 (3.5 subsection a).
 - o Chair Loucka and J. Alley Will give this more thought.

Next Steps

• Chair Loucka – Add content from rule 2 to rule 3, clean up items that have been discussed, leave track changes that have not been discussed. Additionally, committee members will receive a template to provide comments on draft rule 5, which will be submitted in advance and reviewed during the next meeting. The next meeting will also be scheduled for longer than 1 hour.

Delegate Comment

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Next Meeting
A poll will be sent out to schedule the next meeting, which will occur around the end of August
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Adjourn
Chair Loucka adjourns meeting at 12:04 p.m. ET.