PA Compact Communications Committee Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2026

Name	Member Role	Voting Member	Attendance
Jean Fischer	WI alternate	x	x
Justin Hepner	VA delegate	x	x
Camille Vassilakos	OK alternate	x	x
Rachel MacArthur	ME alternate	x	x
Mark Spangler	WV alternate	x	
Brooke Yates	MT delegate	x	x
Chandni Bhatka	KS alternate	x	x
Chris Andresen	CT delegate	x	
Laura Delaney	IA alternate	x	x
Total voting members present		Quorum = 5/9	7/9
Marisa Courtney	Vice Chair PA Commission		
Jerica Kent	OH board staff		x
Tim Terranova	Chair PA Commission		x
Greg Thomas	ex-officio NCCPA		x
Name	**Non-Member Role**		**Attendance**
Nahale Kalfas	Interim Legal Counsel		x
Carl Sims	CSG		
Abigail Mortell	Interim Executive Director		x

Name	**Agenda**	**Minutes from March 5, 2026**	**June Newsletter**	**FAQs**
Jean Fischer				1
Justin Hepner			2	
Camille Vassilakos	1	1	1	2
Rachel MacArthur	2			
Mark Spangler				
Brooke Yates				
Chandni Bhatka		2		
Chris Andresen				
Laura Delaney				
TOTALS	motion passes	motion passes	motion passes	motion passes

Welcome

Call to order/Roll Call

Chair Fischer calls the meeting to order at 2:01pm ET.

A. Mortell takes roll. 7/9 voting members present, committee has quorum.

Review and Adopt Agenda

- Committee reviews the agenda; Chair Fischer calls for a motion to adopt the agenda.
- **Motion**:
    - Camille Vassilakos motions to adopt the agenda.
    - Rachel MacArthur seconds the motion.
    - All in favor, Motion carries.

Review Minutes from March 5, 2026, meeting

- Committee reviews the minutes from March 5, 2026.
- Chair Fischer notes several non-substantive, technical changes were made to the draft minutes and shared with the committee.
- **Motion**:
    - Camille Vassilakos motions to adopt the minutes as amended.
    - Chandni Bhakta seconds the motion.
    - All in favor, Motion carries.

June 2026 Newsletter

- Chair Fischer opens the review and discussion on the June newsletter.
    - Committee Synopsis
        - J. Hepner notes it may be useful to expand abbreviations such as MOU, CSG, etc.
        - No objections, all abbreviations at first occurrence to be expanded in final newsletter.
    - State Readiness – Preparing for Compact Activation
        - A. Mortell notes this section incorporates language from the member state readiness checklist previously approved by this committee. The newsletter is intended to highlight the most time-consuming aspects for states in preparing for compact activation, namely setting a privilege fee and establishing a criminal background check requirement.
    - Timeline
        - Chair Fischer suggests adding an entry be added to denote that members of the Technology Subcommittee be identified.
        - A. Mortell notes adding members to the committee is ongoing and a deadline for nominations was not established.
    - FAQ Highlight.
        - A. Mortell explains that the highlighted question refers readers back to the Commission's approved rules rather that paraphrasing the compact privilege application process to avoid confusion.
- Chair Fischer requests a motion to adopt the June Newsletter.

  Motion:

- Camille Vassilakos motions to adopt the June newsletter with content and formatting edits discussed during the meeting.
- Justin Hepner seconds the motion.
- All in favor, Motion carries.

FAQs

- Chair Fischer opens the review and discussion of the FAQs to be added to the compact website.
  - Draft Question 1: Is there a centralized repository of each state's scope of practice requirements?
    - Committee amends question to "Does the PA Compact Commission have a centralized repository of each state's scope of practice requirements?" for specificity.
    - Committee members discuss that though providing this information may be a possibility in the future, FAQs should cover information currently available.
    - Committee drafts the following response: "No. However, each Participating State's licensing authority website contains information regarding their scope-of-practice. It is incumbent upon the PA to know and adhere to the scope-of-practice in the state where the patient is located when care is provided."
  - Draft Question 2: Is there a centralized repository of each state's CME requirements for maintaining a Qualifying License?
    - Committee amends question to "Does the PA Compact Commission have a centralized repository of each state's CME requirements for maintaining a Qualifying License?" for specificity.
    - Committee drafts following response, citing concerns over clarity and a desire to provide information based on what is currently available on the Commission website: "No. However, each Participating State's licensing authority website contains information regarding their CME requirements. It is incumbent upon the PA to know and meet the CME requirements of their State of Qualifying License."
  - Draft Question 3: What is the process for ensuring that PAs adhere to the scope-of-practice in each Participating State in which they hold a privilege to practice?
    - Committee amends the question to "Can the Commission take disciplinary action against practitioners?" as this is a common concern from Member States.
    - Committee drafts the following response: "No. The Commission does not have disciplinary authority over the practice of PAs. Each state retains its authority to take disciplinary action according to its own due process laws. A PA must know and follow the scope-of-practice of the state where the patient is located at the time service is provided."
    - Committee chooses to table other aspects of original draft question 3 until further data system development has occurred, which will inform the compact privilege issuance and maintenance processes.

- Chair Fischer requests a motion to approve the FAQs as amended during today's meeting for addition to the compact website.
- **Motion**:
    - Jean Fischer motions to approve the FAQs as amended during today's meeting for addition to the compact website.
    - Camille Vassilakos seconds the motion.
    - All in favor, Motion carries.

Next Meeting Scheduling

- Due to scheduling conflicts, the committee's September meeting will be moved up to August 20, 2026, at 4pm ET.

Delegate Questions and Comments

- None.

Public Questions and Comments

- None.

Adjourn

- Hearing no further business or discussion, Chair Fischer adjourns the meeting at 2:50 p.m. ET with no member opposition.