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Conference Call
Tuesday, February 8, 2011 @ 12:00 pm
MINUTES

Members Present by Phone: Lesleigh Sprouse, Melanie Taylor, Gina Brown, Jack Spatafore, John Spiker, D.C. Offutt, Shannon Snodgrass. Melanie left at 12:42 pm.

Members Absent:

Non-Members Present:

Minutes taken by: Trish Holstein

I. **Lesleigh** motioned to call the meeting to order at 12:03 pm.

II. Considerations for PT legislative rule – Series I

- Lesleigh discussed the amendments for Series I that were passed in House Government Committee and that some of the amendments were not what the board approved. The legislatures made an amendment to change 20% to 40% in order to make a compromise.
- The next step is the House Judiciary Committee.
- Lesleigh advised that if we do pull the bill, the emergency rule will also go away. We can file another emergency rule, but it cannot be similar to what we have now. Lesleigh received calls from administrators of home health agencies and nursing homes that are already using the 4 to 1 ratio and they would be greatly affected if the bill is pulled.
- Lesleigh advised that we could do a letter to the WV Physical Therapy Association for language clean up and for the CE section.
- **Jack** motioned to do a letter to the Association accepting the rule as amended by the House Government Committee with the board suggestions to help correct obvious errors in the language, as well as to make it more feasible for the board to monitor compliance. **D.C.** seconded the motion with all in favor. **Melanie** was absent for vote.
- Lesleigh advised we should send the letter out by the end of the week.

III. Lesleigh adjourned the meeting at 1:00 pm.