

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
MINUTES
DRUG CONTROL ACT COMMITTEE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
HENRICO, VA
MARCH 13, 2013**

TIME AND PLACE: The Drug Control Act Committee (Committee) meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions (DHP), 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Hearing Room 6, Henrico, Virginia.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Constance Pozniak, DVM - Chair
James DeBell, DVM

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Joseph May, DVM

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie Knachel, Executive Director
Terri Behr, Operations Manager
Brandy Gasparotto, Administrative Assistant
Sammy Johnson, Deputy Executive Director, Board of Pharmacy
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst

OTHERS PRESENT: Susan Seward, Virginia Veterinary Medical Association
Mark Johnson, DVM
Taryn Singleton, LVT

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: On properly seconded motion by Dr. DeBell, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was received.

PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE: Ms. Knachel reviewed the Committee's purpose which is to review current guidance documents (GD) related to the administration, prescribing and dispensing of controlled drugs by veterinarians and determine if changes or additional GDs are needed. She suggested that the Committee may want to consider consolidating all the GDs related to controlled drugs into one document. She stated that all actions of the Committee would be in the form of recommendations to the full board for

approval.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 150-1: The Committee asked Ms. Knachel to draft a title that was more descriptive of the content of the GD and to clarify that this GD applies to all veterinary practices.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 150-5: Ms. Yeatts indicated that the 2013 General Assembly made changes to § 54.1-3401 of the Code of Virginia which is referenced in this GD. Following a discussion about the GD, the Committee asked Ms. Knachel to make the necessary reference update when appropriate and to draft language related to sterile and non-sterile compounding requirements.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 150-10: Ms. Yeatts stated that this GD is actually a Board of Pharmacy GD and should be changed to a Board of Pharmacy GD to the Board of Veterinary Medicine.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 150-13: Ms. Knachel stated that this GD was recently updated and did not appear to need changes at this time.

GUIDANCE DOCUMENT 150-16: Ms. Knachel stated that this GD needs to comport with applicable laws and regulations. The Committee asked her to conduct research to determine if any changes are needed for this GD.

**CODE AND REGULATIONS
RELATED TO CONTROLLED
SUBSTANCES:**

Ms. Knachel commented that the Committee may want to review 18VAV150-20-190(D) to determine if any legislative or regulatory changes should be recommended. It was suggested that the Committee make recommendations changes to the Legislative/Regulatory Committee.

The Committee discussed issues related to veterinarians being prohibited from dispensing compounded drugs that have been obtained from a compounding pharmacy. A possible legislative proposal to exempt veterinarians from this requirement was discussed.

MEETING ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Constance Pozniak, DVM – Chair

Leslie L. Knachel, MPH, - Executive Director