

MINUTES

**UTAH
CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING**

November 29, 2011

**North Conference Room – 3:00 P.M.
Heber M. Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111**

CONVENED: 3:10 P.M.

ADJOURNED: 4:27 P.M.

Bureau Manager:

Richard J. Oborn

Board Secretary:

Lee Avery

Committee Members Present:

David N. Sundwall, MD, Chairperson
Kristen Ries, MD
Major Jeff Carr
Jeffrey Wright, ND
Elizabeth Howell, MD
Alexander B. Larsen, DDS
Glen R. Hanson, DDS
Blaine Winters, APRN

Committee Members Excused

Scott Reed
Todd C. Grey, MD
Darin M. Vercillo, MD
David C. Young, R. Ph

Swear in new Committee member:

Mr. Blaine Winters was sworn in as a Committee member.

Guests:

Mary Lou Emerson, Utah Substance Abuse Advisory Council
Jennifer McNair, Dept. of Public Safety, Bureau of Forensic Services
Katie Carlson, VA/U of U Addiction Psych.
Sgt. Stanton VanWagoner, Unified Police Department

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Minutes:

The Committee reviewed the minutes dated September 20, 2011. Dr. Ries motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Maj. Carr. The motion carried

1. Written report submitted to Health and Human Services Interim Committee

unanimously.

Mr. Oborn reviewed the letter sent to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee regarding the Committee's legislative recommendations.

2. DEA Special Report: Synthetic Cannabinoids and Synthetic Cathinones Reported in NFIS, 2009-2010

Ms. McNair shared the DEA Special Report on Synthetic Cannabinoids and Synthetic Cathinones Reported in NFIS, 2009-2010. the Committee discussed the report.

3. Report from Sgt. Scot VanWagoner regarding enforcement of current bans on synthetic substances

Sgt. VanWagoner advised the Committee that some law enforcement agencies have taken action against the shops that continue to sell synthetic substances. The manufactures are leading store owners to believe the synthetic substances are legal. The Committee noted that part of the problem is that these substances are sold as "not for human consumption." Sgt. VanWagoner noted that there are some ongoing investigations at this time and he could not go into detail. The prosecutors have not taken any cases to trial yet because they are adjudicated through a plea in abeyance. Mr. Oborn will follow up with Scott Reed for additional information from the prosecutors.

4. Consideration of additional substances to add to controlled substances list

The Committee reviewed the letter sent to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee on September 29, 2011 recommending 4 substances be added to the list of "listed controlled substances" found in the Utah Controlled Substances Act, Utah Code 58-37-4.2. The Committee noted that Utah laws should be consistent to the federal laws. Mr. Oborn will check with Mr. Scott Reed regarding problems that would arise if federal law controls some substances that state law does not. Mr. Oborn will check with Dr. Vercillo regarding what types of substances are being used by patients coming to the emergency rooms. Dr. Howell motioned to add BZP to schedule I on the controlled substance list and to make Utah laws mirror federal laws, seconded by Dr. Larsen. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of proposal to make recommendation to Legislature concerning management of Schedule I substances for clinical research

The Committee discussed a proposal from Dr. Hanson concerning the management of Schedule I substances for clinical research.

6. Potential amendments to Utah Controlled Substances Act during 2012 General Legislative Session

Mr. Oborn reviewed potential amendments to the Utah Controlled Substances Act during the 2012 general legislative session.

Scheduling of future meetings

The Committee decided to meet on January 31, 2012, 3:00 P.M.

ADJOURN:

Adjourn: 4:27 P.M.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

April 3, 2012
Date Approved

(ss) David N. Sundwall
Chairperson, Controlled Substances Advisory
Committee

December 29, 2011
Date Approved

(ss) Richard J. Oborn
Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational &
Professional Licensing