

**MEGAVOLTAGE RADIATION THERAPY  
STANDARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MRTSAC) MEETING**

Tuesday, May 17, 2005

Michigan Library & Historical Center  
702 West Kalamazoo Street  
Lake Ontario Room  
Lansing, MI 48915

**APPROVED MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order.**

Chairperson Palmer called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

a. Members Present and Organizations Represented:

Roland Palmer, Grand Valley Health Plan (Chairperson)  
A. Soliman Behairy, MD, West Michigan Regional Cancer and Blood Center  
Tewfik Bichay, PhD, Saint Mary's Health Care  
Bridget R. Brambs, Detroit Medical Center  
Paul Chuba, MD, PhD, St. John Hospital and Medical Center (Alternate)  
Keith Crowell, Oaklawn Hospital  
Praveen Dalmia, Mount Clemens General Hospital (Alternate) (arrived at 10:25 a.m.)  
Harry Dalsey, J.D., M.P.H., Weyco, Inc.  
Bradley Gornick, AIA, ALA, Alliance for Health  
Sal Jafar, MD, Saint Joseph Mercy Health System – Ann Arbor  
Robert C. Marquardt, Memorial Medical Center of West Michigan  
Walter M. Sahjidak, MD, Michigan Society of Therapeutic Radiologist and Oncologists  
Joseph M. Spallina, FAAMA, FACHE, Arvina Group, LLC

b. Members Absent and Organizations Represented:

Amr Aref, MD, St. John Hospital and Medical Center  
Arthur J. Frazier, MD, Mount Clemens General Hospital  
Peter Lai, MD, Lakeland Regional Health System  
Dawn Madison Williams, DaimlerChrysler Corporation

c. Staff Present:

Larry Horvath (arrived at 10:20 a.m.)  
John Hubinger  
Andrea Moore  
Stan Nash  
Brenda Rogers  
Matt Weaver

d. General Public in Attendance:

There were approximately 30 people in attendance.

**II. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest.**

Mr. Marquadt stated that West Shore Medical has filed a Letter of Intent with the Department to provide MRT services at a site involving Dr. Behairy and St. Mary's. Discussion followed. No additional new conflicts were noted.

**III. Review of Agenda.**

Chairperson Palmer added public comment at the end of item V. Technical Workgroup Report. Motion by Mr. Behairy, seconded by Mr. Gornick, to accept the agenda as modified. Motion Carried.

**IV. Review of Draft Minutes of April 13, 2005.**

Motion by Mr. Marquadt, seconded by Dr. Sahijdak, to accept the minutes with the modification of Conflicts of Interest to read, "No new conflicts were noted." Motion Carried.

**V. Technical Workgroup Report.**

Consensus Issues

- A. CyberKnife will be defined as a specialty unit
- B. ETV's for a replacement unit [Section 6(3)(a)] will be as follows:
  - First unit – 7,000 ETV's
  - Second unit – 6,000 ETV's
  - Third Unit and every one thereafter – 5,500 ETV's

Non-Consensus Issues

- A. Intracranial procedures vs. extracranial procedures

**VI. Discussion of Non-Consensus Access Workgroup Issues.**

Non-Consensus Issues

- A. 60-Mile Distance Requirement.

Motion by Dr. Behairy, seconded by Mr. Gornick to retain the 60-mile driving distance. Motion Carried.

**VII. Public Comment.**

Mr. Richard Sweat, .decimal, Inc., addressed the Committee and provided written overview. Dr. Ahmid Ezz, MIRO, addressed the Committee. Dr. Farideh Bagne, MIRO, addressed the Committee.

Break from 12:10 p.m. to 12:25 p.m.

Mr. Mike Baker, Hackley Hospital, addressed the Committee.

**VIII. Discussion of Non-Consensus Access Workgroup Issues – continuation.**

Non-Consensus Issues

- B. Projected Volume Requirement for Relocated Unit.

Motion by Dr. Behairy, seconded by Mr. Dalsey, to allow the relocation of a unit without meeting volume requirements within the planning area for rural and micropolitan counties. Motion Failed.

Motion by Mr. Dalsey, seconded by Mr. Spallina, to relocate an operating unit to a rural county, the unit must meet current volume and the projected volume requirements for the new site. Motion Carried.

C. **Ownership of Relocated MRT Units.**

Discussion followed. This change of ownership will be allowed, the conditions to be established.

**VII. Discussion of Draft Language.**

Tabled until next meeting.

**VIII. Future Meeting Dates.**

Wednesday, June 15, 2005

Wednesday, July 6, 2005

**X. Public Comment.**

Dr. Dan Hatton, Bay Medical, addressed the Committee.

Ms. Lynn Bosscher, Spectrum Health, addressed the Committee.

Mr. Brian Kaser, Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, addressed the Committee.

Ms. Phyllis Donaldson-Adams, Dykema Gossett, addressed the Committee.

Motion by Dr. Behairy to reconsider the Motion for rural access with no volume requirement.

Motion failed due to lack of second.

**XI. Adjournment.**

Motion by Mr. Spallina, seconded by Mr. Crowell, to adjourn the meeting at 1:52 p.m. Motion Carried.