

**CGH MEDICAL CENTER**  
**Physician Services Council**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**January 12, 2022**

**Call to order**

Dr. Matthew Cutter called to order the meeting of the Physician Services Council at 7:00 a.m. The following members were present: Dr. Mir Alikhan, Dr. Ashlea Canady, Dr. John Hahn, Dr. Thomas King, Shane Brown, Concha Sitter, Jackie Greve, and Virginia Heal. Others present were: Dr. William Bird and Dena Wheeler.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting of November 17 were unanimously approved.

Shane welcomed Dr. King and Dr. Canady, as newly elected members of this group.

**Unfinished business**

**A. Recruitment update**

Dr. Younes (ENT) signed a contract to start March 23. A General Surgery recruitment search has been opened with the recent departure of Dr. OHolleran. Locum coverage will be provided to help support Drs. Canady and Wakefield.

**New business**

**A. CEO update**

Dr. Steinke was not present to report.

**B. CMO Update**

Newer, more complicated Covid medications are becoming available, and will be limited to large pharmacies. The decision whether to prescribe these medications for patients will not be as easy as something like Tamiflu. The CGH Covid Clinical Guidance Team is holding a meeting via Zoom Friday (1/14) to discuss these updates, and will be open to all providers. Dr. Bird thanked everyone for their ongoing work during this pandemic. There have been more than 50 employees out daily for the past week, directly related to Covid.

**C. Community works update**

Dr. Bird reported the next session with Cerner reps is February. Training staff will start visiting provider offices to provide demos. Shane added that physician training will be an absolute requirement, likely 3-4 hours. There will be much less flexibility and choice of design than the NextGen current capabilities. The number of appointment types and appointment time intervals need to be reduced in the new scheduling system. All providers will be required to task in Community Works, for which training will be provided.

**D. Clinic operations updates**

Covid testing demands are at a record level. Shane reported he is very grateful for the providers and staff helping the Ready Care team by seeing patients at other clinics. This will continue for 2-3 weeks until the testing demand decreases. April Fischer, NP is on extended leave, indefinitely. Dr. Wolf is only seeing patients in Morrison, the Prophetstown clinic is closed indefinitely, and staff has been relocated to Morrison. The Milledgeville clinic is also temporarily closed, and providers and staff relocated to Polo to maximize staffing resources.

Telehealth visits can be done via Reach (through SmartPager), which is very easy to use. Shane highly recommended this program, and can be contacted for help or questions with it.

The Pfizer vaccine has not been offered at the Covid vaccine clinic, but will now be offered starting today.

Dr. McGlone's position was appointed to the Physician Services Council by the Board in 2011, and needs to be replaced. Shane will provide further updates at the next meeting.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 a.m. into closed session.

**A motion was made by Dr. Canady, seconded by Dr. Alikhan, and unanimously approved TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF A SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE OR LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC BODY.**

After discussion, Physician Services Council came out of closed session and adjourned at 7:41 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Dena Wheeler, Physician Services Assistant

Minutes approved by: Matthew Cutter, O.D.