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899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE- 2ND FLR
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

January 30, 2013

8:30am-2:00pm

BOARD OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BoMed Mission Statement:

"To **protect** and enhance the health, safety, and well-being of District of Columbia residents by **promoting** evidence-based best practices in health regulation, high standards of quality care and implementing policies that **prevent** adverse events."



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BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	JANIS ORLOWSKI, MD (JO)	Hearing
	MARC RANKIN, MD (MR)	Interview
	ANITRA DENSON, MD (AD)	
	LAWRENCE MANNING, MD (LM)	
	ANDREA ANDERSON, MD (AA)	Interview
	THOMAS DAWSON, Esq. (TD)	Hearing
	LISA FITZPATRICK, MD (LF)	
	BRENDAN FURLONG, MD (BF)	Interview
	BERNARD ARONS, MD (BA)	
	JEFFREY SMITH, MD (JS)	Hearing
	KELLY ANN COLDEN, MD (KC)	
	HOWARD LIEBERS, MPH (HL)	Absent
STAFF:	JACQUELINE WATSON, DO, MBA – EXEC. DIRECTOR	
	LISA ROBINSON – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	AISHA WILLIAMS – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	DENIZ SOYER, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	CHERYL HARRIS – HEALTH LICENSING ASSISTANT	
	EMILIA MORAN – INVESTIGATOR	
	TIMOTHY HANDY – SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR	
	DIANE MOORER – IT SUPPORT	
LEGAL STAFF:	BRIAN KIM, ESQ. – BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR	
	AJAY GOHIL, ESQ. – ASST. BOARD ATTORNEY ADVISOR	

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OPEN SESSION – 10:30 – 11:30 am

<p>OS-13-001 ALL</p>	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u> Consideration of the Open Session minutes of December 19, 2012.</p> <p>Motion: Approve. Seconded Passed unanimously</p>	
<p>OS-13-002 ALL</p>	<p><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u> Consideration of the current January 30, 2013 Open Session Agenda.</p> <p>Motion: Approve. Seconded Passed unanimously</p>	
<p>OS-13-003 ALL</p>	<p><u>PRESENTATION(S):</u></p> <p>A) <u>LEGAL ISSUES FOR MEDICAL/PHARMACY OPERATIONS AND REGULATIONS</u> Presentation by John Dominguez, Esq. of the U.S. Attorney's Office's Community Outreach/Prosecution Team regarding legal issues for medical/pharmacy operations and regulations. Topics will be federal prescription laws, internet pharmacy law, controlled and non-controlled substances and history.</p> <p>Mr. Dominguez attended with Wendy Polhouse and Melanie Howard. They explained that they oversee criminal cases for the US Attorney's office, and wanted to alert the Board to the emerging problem of diversion of controlled substances – particularly opioids. They are</p>	



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available to do trainings about the law and provide additional resources, if the Board is interested. They warned the Board that as their cases increase, it will have an effect on the medical community, as they will need doctors to testify each time.

The Board asked about medical marijuana, and the group suggested the Board write to the US Attorney's office for guidance, as the federal government still says it is illegal, even though DC and other states have voted to allow dispensaries and medical marijuana. They explained that doctors would be exempt from prosecution as long as they comply with the statutes and regulations for prescribing within the course of medical treatment.

The Board Chair invited them to come back and give their full presentation, and also invited them to present at the Board's annual symposium and to provide a brief article for the January newsletter.

B) MEDICAL MARIJUANA IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Patricia D'Antonio, Rph – Program Manager,
Pharmaceutical Control.

Ms. D'Antonio reported that to date they have registered one cultivation center, and there will be 3 of 6 within the next few months. Cultivation centers can only sell to dispensaries, and only registered patients and caregivers can enter a dispensary or shop there. The marijuana purchase limit will be 2 ounces per month. She explained that any physician can write a recommendation for marijuana (they are not prescriptions), using triplicate forms. She warned that the Board will likely be getting many calls for



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	<p>questions from the public, and instructed that they refer them to the medical marijuana website.</p> <p>The law was read—focusing on the part that addressed the Board’s involvement and responsibility within the registration process.</p>	
<p>OS-13-004 ALL</p>	<p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT’S REPORT</u></p> <p>In this segment, discussion can be held on issues and/or activities pertaining to the activities of the Board/Department. Presenters may be members of the Board, staff, or public.</p> <p>A. <u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u></p> <p>1. BoMed Stats The ED reported 12966 ____, 10624 MDs, 176 ACs, 34 AAs, 1230 MTLs, 31 NDs, 667 Pas, 46 Polysoms, 11 Polysom trainees, and 62 SAs.</p> <p>2. Calendar Review The ED reminded members that the Board retreat will be on 4/11/13 at the Wilson Bldg., Rm. 527 from 8:30 to 2:30. Also the annual symposium will be in September and the workforce survey will be the topic. She also reported that Councilmember Orange will be having a telemedicine hearing on 2/7/13.</p> <p>3. Renewal Update The ED informed the Board that the renewal was extended to 2/28/13 due to the delays with the criminal background reports. She reported that, to date, 8635 have renewed; 4790 surveys have been completed; 3663 licensees are in clinical practice; 24,10 provide 20 hrs of care per week; 816 primary care physicians are engaged in care more than 60 hrs per week. Approximately 700</p>	<p>JW</p> <p>BK</p>



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have not yet completed their CBCs, but have paid and initiated renewals.

The Chair requested a recommendation from Dr. Woldu regarding the renewals for the 2/14/13 agenda, to address the 700 who have not renewed, as well as the fingerprint failures.

4. January Newsletter

The ED reminded members that staff needs photos and bios of the new members for the January newsletter.

5. FYI articles*

- a) Online patient portals: Unveiling the doctor's note.
- b) In Many Communities, Nurse Practitioners Fill an Important Void.
- c) EHR-related errors soar but few harm patients.
- d) ACOs, already surging, poised for even more growth.
- e) Natural medical school latest development in growing trend.

B. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

The Board attorney reported that 22 cases have been closed since September.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:

Marilyn Johnson from Howard University Hospital informed the Board that they have set up a hub for physicians to obtain free CME, and asked the Board for assistance in getting



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the word out to the physician community. The Chair suggested she write a brief piece for the newsletter.

Howard Strayker of the DC Academy of Pas asked the status of the PA regulation changes, and was informed that no comments were returned and it will move forward.

Tia Dore of MSDC asked about the fingerprinting errors—specifically how many were encountered and how many have been reprinted. The Board will discuss the best way to obtain this information for her.

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APPROVED CLEAN APPLICATIONS

OC-13-001 - APPROVED APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

National Board Applicants:

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the examination administered by the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) or the National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners (NBOME).

Kim, Howard
Malumed, Deborah
Coppola, Michael
Stanton, Oliver

NBOME:

Laird, Raymond
Baker, Nevin

FLEX Examination:

The following applicants were licensed based on successful completion of the FLEX examination.

Crowe, Joseph
Thirumalai, Shanti
Eisenberger, Marid
Durso, Samuel
Weedn, Victor
Smith, Edith



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USMLE Applicants:

The following applicants were approved based on successful completion of the USMLE examination:

Took USMLE in D.C.

Kallus, Samuel

Took USMLE Outside of D.C.

Reutter, Jason
Pinto, Natasha
Gandhi, Shruti
Panjrath, Gurushee
Devito, Dana
Liepinsh, Dmitry
Irani, Shoreh
Irani, Plomarz
Huang, James
Haroun, Faysal
Greene, Elizabeth
Abashidze, Teah
Boolani, Hemant
Starikov, Roman
Kim, Judith
Singh, Tejp
Kalla, Abhishek
Zeck, Jay
Jasti, Sirisha



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Okafor, Nneka
Lee, Vivian
Ku, Joanna
Konda, Sailesh
Johnson, Jonathan
Padila, Sushama
Stein, Stephanie
Prakash, Ishita
Howell, Brittny
Holloway, Amanda
Gilleland, Meghan
Chae, Heechin
Bhatty, Sanaa
Abdullah, Shaad
Azad, Nilufer
Campbell, Avril
Adab, Hamidreza
Shakir, Jamilah
Sarin, Seema
Philippe, Neubert
Nwiloh, Victor
Nicholas-Hwang, Amy
Kaur, Jagmeet
Haji-Momenian Shahriar
Chen, Jersey
Bentsen, Bizger

Endorsement:

N/A



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Temporary Licenses (90-day)

N/A

Step 3

N/A

Took Combo:

N/A

LMCC:

N/A

Complex:

State Constructed:

N/A



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Reinstatement Applicants:

Chen, Ray
Kruzick, Tracy

Reactivation Applicants:

Malik, Rawshan

Acupuncturist:

The following applicant was approved for an acupuncturist license and reinstatement (NCCAOM).

N/A

Physician Assistants:

The following applicants were approved for physician assistant licenses (NCCPA).

Gopenk, Rachel
Cardamone, Carolyn
Endale, Lelise
Chang, Susana
Newman, Dina
Espina, Maria Elena



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Surgical Assistants:

The following applicants were approved for surgical assistant licenses:

Hines, Eric

Anesthesiology Assistants:

The following applicant was approved for anesthesiologist assistant licenses:

Misquez, Arthur

Naturopathic Physician:

The following applicant was approved for a naturopathic physician license (NPLEX).

Kinney, Erin
Frandsen, Autumn

Eminence II:

N/A

Polysomnographers:

Debella, Ashenafik
Song, Danielle
Kao, Justin



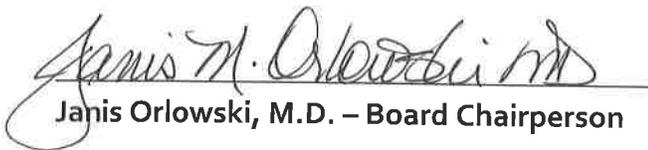
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Debella, Ashenafik
Reidy, Susan

This ends the Open Session Minutes.

Approved:


Janis Orłowski, M.D. – Board Chairperson

4.13.13
Date

Submitted by: HLS Lisa Robinson