



Government of the District of Columbia
Department of Health



BOARD OF DIETETICS/NUTRITION

OPEN SESSION AGENDA

899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE

ROOM 216

WASHINGTON, DC 20002

December 9, 2014

9:30am-10:30am



BOARD OF DIETETICS/NUTRITION

BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

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| BOARD MEMBERS: | | |
| | MELISSA MUSIKER, CHAIRPERSON | |
| | EDWARD JOHNSON, CONSUMER MEMBER | |
| | JANET UNONU, MEMBER | |
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| STAFF: | | |
| | ROBINS JENKINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARDS OF ALLIED AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH | |
| | ERIC YEAGER, ESQ., HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST | |
| | LEONARD HOWARD, INVESTIGATOR | |
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| LEGAL STAFF: | PANRAVEE VONGJAROENRAT, ESQ., BOARD ATTORNEY | |
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BOARD OF DIETETICS/NUTRITION

OPEN SESSION:

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| OS-1209-01 | <p><u>MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the September 9, 2014 Open Session meeting minutes.</p> | |
| OS-1209-02 | <p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u></p> | |
| OS-1209-03 | <p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</u></p> | |
| OS-1209-04 | <p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</u></p> | |
| OS-1209-05 | <p><u>SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR DIETITIANS AND NUTRITIONISTS</u></p> <p>Board Action: Discussion of the scope of practice for “Dietitians” and “Nutritionists.”</p> | |
| | <p>TO BE READ BY THE CHAIRPERSON PRIOR TO THE END OF THE PUBLIC SESSION:</p> <p>This concludes the public open session meeting and pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575B and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will now move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting.</p> | |



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OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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**September 9, 2014
9:30am-10:30am**



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BOARD OF DIETETICS/NUTRITION

BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE OPEN SESSION SEPTEMBER 2014

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| BOARD MEMBERS: | | |
| | MELISSA MUSIKER, CHAIRPERSON | Present |
| | EDWARD JOHNSON, CONSUMER MEMBER | Present |
| | JANET UNONU, MEMBER | Present |
| STAFF: | | |
| | ROBIN JENKINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BOARDS OF ALLIED AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH | Present |
| | ERIC YEAGER, ESQ., HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST | Present |
| | LEONARD HOWARD, INVESTIGATOR | Present |
| LEGAL STAFF: | CARLA WILLIAMS, ESQ, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL | Present |
| VISITORS: | CAROLYN WAITS, DC Metro Dietetic Association DCMADA | Present |



BOARD OF DIETETICS/NUTRITION

OPEN SESSION MINUTES September 9, 2014

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| OS-0909-01 | <p><u>MINUTES</u> Board Action: The Board approved the June 10, 2014 Open Session meeting minutes.</p> | |
| OS-0909-02 | <p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u> Board Action: There was no report.</p> | |
| OS-0909-03 | <p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</u> Board Action: There was no report.</p> | |
| OS-0909-04 | <p><u>BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</u> In current regulation, nutritionists are taking the exam for dietitians. The Chairperson would like the Board to work on clearly distinguishing the differences in scope of practice and licensure requirements for Dietitians and Nutritionists.</p> | |
| OS-0909-05 | <p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <p>Carolyn Waits of the DC Metro Dietetic Association (DCMADA) engaged in a discussion on scope of practice with the Board. There was a discussion on multi-level licensure for nutritionists and dietitians as well as licensing with distinctive titles/specializations. Ideas for multi-level nutritionists included the following thoughts: Level I undergraduate degree and allows engagement in general education but not counseling; Level II a Master’s degree/Ph. D. and allows for the provision of additional services, but would not permit counseling; Level III would permit counseling.</p> <p>The Board Chair suggested having a follow-up discussion on these issues between this meeting and the next scheduled meeting in December.</p> | |

The Open Session concluded at 9:50 a.m.