



**Government of the District of Columbia  
Department of Health  
Health Regulation and Licensing Administration**



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BOARD**

MARCH 1, 2017

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	
Laverne Plater, RN	<b>P</b>
Layo George, RN	<b>P</b>
Margaret Green, LPN	<b>P</b>
Mary Ivey, Consumer	<b>P</b>
Vera Mayer, Consumer	<b>P</b>
Missy Moore, LPN	<b>A</b>
Winslow Woodland, RN	<b>P</b>
Amanda Liddle, RN	<b>P</b>
Elizabeth Lamme, RN	<b>P</b>
Meedie Bardonille RN	<b>P</b>
Vacant RN	

<b>STAFF PRESENT</b>	<b>STAFF PRESENT</b>
<b>Senior Deputy Director, HRLA</b>	<b>Nurse Consultants</b>
Sharon Lewis	Bonita Jenkins
	Concheeta Wright
<b>Executive Director</b>	Cathy Borris-Hale
Karen Scipio-Skinner	
	<b>Compliance Specialist</b>
<b>Attorney</b>	Joanne Drozdoski
Van Brathwaite	
	<b>Board of Nursing Support Staff</b>
<b>Investigator</b>	Antoinette Butler
Mark Donatelli	Diane Moorer

8:30: Board Member Swearing in

The following will be sworn in by Alan Karnofsky, Director of Operations, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA):

- Amanda Liddle, RN member and chairperson
- Elizabeth Lamme, RN member
- Meedie Bardonille RN member
- Vera Mayer, Consumer (Re-Appointment)



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**OPEN SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Laverne Plater called the meeting to order at 9:05

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve Minutes

MOTION: Approve November 2, 2016

VOTE: Approved

ISSUE: WHC is currently updating their practice policies. In doing so they found a regulation passed by the Department of Behavioral Health in 2005 that states that only physicians and physician assistants can order seclusion and restraint. WHC traditionally has allowed Nurse Practitioners to order seclusion and restraints. WHC has asked that the Board to clarify this issue.

QUESTION: Is ordering restraints and seclusion for patients within the NP's scope of practice?

MOTION: Issue an Advisory Opinion and update regulations to include ordering restraints and seclusion in scope of practice for APRNs

VOTE: Approved

ISSUE: Adam Winebarger referred to the Board for approval as a COIN member (CV attached)

MOTION: Approve Adam Winebarger's appointment to COIN

VOTE: Approved

MOTION: Approve Consent Agenda

**VOTE:** Consent agenda approved

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Howard University School of Nursing students were in attendance.

**REPORTS**

**Report from executive director**

Departmental policies or changes impacting the board

LPN Renewals begins March 1, 2017

Upcoming conference/meetings

NCSBN Annual Conference: August 16-18, 2017; Chicago, IL.



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Upcoming hearings

Health Profession Boards Oversight hearing: March 1, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.  
Layo George testifying on behalf of the Board

Board of Nursing Retreat

April 5, 2017 at Kellogg Center. Facilitator will contact you. This will be an opportunity to share thoughts and give input as we work to structure the retreat.

**Chairperson/Board member reports**

Feedback from meetings/conferences attended  
N/A

**Attorney advisor**

Legislation impacting the board  
Proposed legislation: Summary Action Amendment Act of 2017  
Amends HORA. Provides for the summary suspension or restriction, without a hearing for persons whose conduct, including financial exploitation, presents an imminent danger to the health and safety, or welfare of the public.

Regulation status

Board	Regulation	Status	Comment
<b>NURSING</b>	Registered Nurse (RN)	Draft	Board finalizing draft
	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	Draft	Board finalizing draft
	Certified Nurse Practitioner	Legal sufficiency review	
	Clinical Nurse Specialist	Legal sufficiency review	
	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	Legal sufficiency review	
	Certified Nurse Midwife	Legal sufficiency review	
	Home Health Aides (HHA) regulation amendments	Legal sufficiency review	
	Omnibus Nursing Assistive Personnel (NAP)	Legal sufficiency review	
	Trained Medication Employee (TME) Repeal Act	Legal sufficiency review	



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**MATTERS FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Discipline** (Discipline approved during February 1, 2017 executive session)

Negotiated Settlement Agreement:	5
Notice of Intent to Discipline:	1
Letter of Concern:	1
Revocation of Licensure/Certification:	1

**COIN Report:**

Current Participants:	17
New participants:	3
Completed:	0
Referred to Discipline:	2

**Education**

ISSUE: Annual Approval of NAP Training Programs  
DISCUSSION: Review compliance with regulatory requirements  
VOTE: (Executive Session)

**Regulation**

ISSUE: RN Regulation Revision  
DISCUSSION: Proposed RN regulation amendments

**Practice**

NA

**ADJOURNMENT**

This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Executive Section, which is closed to the public, to seek the advice of counsel to the board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(4); to administer licensing of health professionals governed by the Board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(6); to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(9); administration of licensing pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(6); discuss ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b)(14).



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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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Layo George, RN (Excused to testify at Oversight Hearing)	<b>E</b>
Margaret Green, LPN	<b>P</b>
Mary Ivey, Consumer	<b>P</b>
Vera Mayer, Consumer	<b>P</b>
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Vacant RN	

**CALL TO ORDER:** Laverne Plater called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS**

**EDUCATION**

ISSUE: Approval of NAP Training Program Application  
 DISCUSSION: Review compliance with regulatory requirements  
 DECISION: Approved upon receipt of an acceptable organizational chart.

ISSUE: Annual Approval of NAP Training Programs  
 DISCUSSION: Review compliance with regulatory requirements  
 MOTION: NOI – withdraw approval:  
           Allied Health and Technology Institute (CNA and HHA)  
           Innovative Institute (CNA and HHA)  
           Intellect Health (HHA)

Approval:  
           Captec (CNA and HHA)  
           Healthwrite (CNA)  
           VMT (CNA)

Conditional Approval:  
           Bethel (HHA)  
           Healthwrite (HHA)  
           OIC-DC (HHA)  
           VMT (HHA)

VOTE: Unanimous



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**Janice Jackson, HHA Appeared Before the Board**

**Board Order (12/2016): Suspended until respondent appears before Board**  
 DECISION: Motion to Reinstate unanimously approved by BON.  
 BON found this burden has been met, and - as there are no other conditions attached to BON suspension - said suspension can be lifted; re-instatement can issue.

**DISCIPLINE AGENDA**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Incident</b>	<b>Decision</b>
Vanessa Gooch, TME Applicant  (Respondent's status is pending)	Respondent has long criminal record in several jurisdictions dating from 1979 to 2013 including convictions for accessory after the fact to murder while armed; distribution of CDS; and felony and misdemeanor larceny. She has been both incarcerated and been on probation.	<b>MOTION:</b> Issue NOI to DENY Application for TME.  <b>VOTE:</b> Unanimous
Bereket Kelbore, CNA	Revisiting after NOI sent to Respondent on 12/5/2016. Respondent has not requested a hearing. (*According to USPS website, Notice was left on 12/8/16; No Authorized Recipient available. Have not yet received an official RTS envelope.)	<b>MOTION:</b> Suspend until respondent appears before the board.  <b>VOTE:</b> Unanimous
Henrietta Jarmon Evans, TME applicant  (Respondent's status is pending.)	Applicant charged with several, very serious offenses, dating back from 1979; however, no convictions UNTIL 4/24/2008 when she sustained a conviction for ASSAULT WITH SIGNIFICANT BODILY INJURY for which she was sentenced to 8 months incarceration and 2 years probation.	<b>MOTION:</b> Request withdrawal of application for TME.  <b>VOTE:</b> Unanimous
Herkisha Andrews, LPN  (Respondent's status active)	Expelled from COIN for non-compliance with participant agreement  PLEASE NOTE: Self-Referral	<b>MOTION:</b> NSA requiring COIN participation  <b>VOTE:</b> Unanimous



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Kaitlyn Crisologo, RN  (Respondent's status is expired)	Expelled from COIN for non-compliance with participant agreement  PLEASE NOTE: Ms. Crisologo has moved out of town, with COIN's approval, and was to join the New Jersey program. She did not comply.	<b>MOTION:</b> Request issuance of NOI (COIN recommendation) <b>VOTE:</b> Unanimous
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**FYI ITEMS**

**Disciplinary Actions approved during February 1, 2017 executive session.**

<b>Courtney Bennett, RN (Respondent's status is active)</b>	Respondent, RN, worked as a subcontractor with DCLTC conducting in home or nursing home, "face-to-face assessments, to determine if the patient meets the criteria to continue receiving Community/Home Based LTC services." The RN submitted documentation misrepresenting that she had done an in-person assessment and met with the patient to determine her continued need for ADHP services and obtain her preferred choice attestation. However, RN only spoke with patient on the phone and never interviewed her in-person. RN was terminated.	MOTION: NSA completion of course, "Professional Accountability & Legal Liability for Nurses" and 1,000 word essay reflecting on RN's failure to perform in-person assessment of the patient/client.  VOTE: Approved
<b>Margaret Ilori, HHA (Respondent's status is active)</b>	Fraudulent timesheet; patient abandonment. Respondent, HHA, terminated after client called Alliance Home Health Care on 7/12/16 to report that HHA had not come to work for days. But, HHA falsely told Alliance that she had been working every day and fraudulently submitted time log and timesheets for three days, not worked, 7/8 through 7/10. Timesheet also contained description of client's condition, nutrition, and activities days not worked.	MOTION: NSA \$250 fine.  VOTE: Approved
<b>Amanda Turner, HHA (Respondent's status is active)</b>	Respondent, HHA, falsely submitted timesheets for four days, 12/7 – 12/10/16 while the client was admitted to and was a patient at WHS. Patient's signature was on the timesheet for every date that patient was in the hospital.	MOTION: NSA \$500 fine.  VOTE: Approved





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<b>Vanetta Anderson, LPN</b> <b>(Respondent's status is active)</b>	Allegation of abuse which was substantiated against Respondent, LPN, who was terminated. (A police report was also generated.) LPN allegedly punched patient in the face, causing a bruise above her left eye. Report submitted by DDS, however, reveals conflicting accounts of what happened; how injury happened; and why it was not noted by LPN. Respondent provided a response to the OTA.	MOTION: Letter of Concern  VOTE: Approved
<b>Herve Tchakounte, HHA</b> <b>(Respondent's status is active)</b>	Falsification of timesheets. Respondent falsely submitted timesheets for work done when the patient was in the hospital. We have timesheets signed by both HHA and the patient and have the hospital records for patient's hospital stay.	MOTION: NSA \$250 fine.  VOTE: Approved
<b>Kristie E. Davis, RN</b> <b>(Respondent's status is active)</b>	Respondent, RN, was teaching at Trinity for three months without an active DC license.	MOTION: NSA with a fine of \$100 for each month respondent worked without a license.  VOTE: Approved
<b>Paula Britt, RN</b> <b>(Respondent's status is summarily suspended)</b>	After full hearing before the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), ORDER issued by the ALJ ruling that the Board's NOI to Discipline is SUSTAINED, and BON may take disciplinary action against Paula Britt's RN license.  Underlying NOI alleges knowingly or intentionally possessing CDS without a valid prescription; unauthorized dispensing or administering of drugs; failure to conform to standards of acceptable conduct; etc.	MOTION: Revoke license  VOTE: Approved



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<b>Deborah Kale, HHA (Respondent's status is active)</b>	Respondent, HHA, allegedly submitted a fraudulent timesheet for 94 hours of work which she did not do as she was on a cruise in the Bahamas. (OAG has brought a claim against Deborah Kale under the False Claims Act.)	MOTION: Request Issuance of a NOI  VOTE: Approved
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**RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC MEETING**

(Board decisions made during executive session, reported to public)

**ADJOURNMENT: 3:10 p.m.**

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