



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



899 North Capitol St. NE – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Washington, DC 20002

October 26, 2016

8:30 am – 4:45pm

**BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
**OPEN SESSION MEETING 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.”

**BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	
Janis Orłowski, MD (JO)	
Marc Rankin, MD (MR)	ABSENT
Anitra Denson, MD (AD)	ABSENT
Lawrence Manning, MD (LM)	ABSENT
Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)	
Thomas Dawson, Esq. (TD)	
Jeffrey Smith, MD (JS)	
Kelly Ann Colden, MD (KC)	ABSENT
Terrence Straub (TS)	
Treasure Johnson, Esq. (TJ)	
Vikisha Fripp, MD (VF)	ABSENT
Robyn Macsata, MD (RM)	
<b>BOARD STAFF:</b>	
Frank Meyers, JD – Executive Director	
Lisa Robinson – Health Licensing Specialist	
Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist	
Aisha Nixon – Health Licensing Specialist	
Angela Braxton – Health Licensing Specialist	
Shivangi Bhatt – Temp/ Contractor	
Emilia Moran – Investigator	
Diane Moorer – IT Support	
<b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>	
Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Interim Board Attorney Advisor	
Christopher Boone, Esq. – Law Clerk	

## OPEN SESSION

8:30 am to 10:30 am

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction of Board Members
3. Introduction of Board Staff

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA AND STAFF REPORTS		
OS-16-061 ALL	<p><b><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> The Board considered the Open Session minutes of from the September 28, 2016 meeting.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Open Session Minutes are a record of the Board's past meeting(s), describing the events, list of attendees, a statement of the issues considered and related responses or decisions of the Board.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Dr. Smith to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Straub.</p> <p>Dr. Orlowski, Dr. Macsata, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Smith, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, and Mr. Straub voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-16-062 ALL	<p><b><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> The Board considered the Open Consent Agenda items for purposes of review and ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Open Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions or action taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Mr. Straub to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mr. Dawson.</p> <p>Dr. Orlowski, Dr. Macsata, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Smith, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, and Mr. Straub voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

OS-16-063  
ALL

**BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT**

**A. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT**

**1. Renewal Season**

The Board Chair reminded the Board and public that licensure renewal season is ongoing, and that licensees need to complete their CME and submit their renewals in order to continue practicing their profession before the year ends.

**B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**1. Renewal Update**

The Executive Director provided an update on the ongoing renewals, including known issues with the online renewal system as well as the number of licensees who have already renewed, as outlined below:

- a. Medicine and Surgery – 3645;
- b. Osteopathy and Surgery – 100;
- c. Physician Assistant – 270;
- d. Acupuncturist – 75;
- e. Anesthesiologist Assistant – 33;
- f. Naturopathic Physician – 13;
- g. Surgical Assistant – 56;
- h. Polysomnographic Technologist – 25;
- i. Polysomnographic Trainee – 2.

**2. Licensure Census Update**

The Executive Director provide an update on current licensure number:

- a. Medicine and Surgery – 10,814;
- b. Osteopathy and Surgery – 305;
- c. Physician Assistant – 771;
- d. Acupuncturist – 194;
- e. Anesthesiologist Assistant – 62;
- f. Naturopathic Physician – 50;
- g. Surgical Assistant – 137;
- h. Polysomnographic Technologist – 2;
- i. Polysomnographic Technologist – 75;
- j. Polysomnographic Trainee – 16.

**3. New Board Members**

The Executive Director informed the Board that the Mayor has submitted two (2) names for approval to the City Council for appointment to the Board of Medicine. The Executive Director will continue to monitor these proposed new members and will provide an update as soon as more information is received.

	<p><b>4. Future Board Meeting Dates</b>  The Executive Director informed the Board that the dates currently posted on the website for November and December are not the normal dates. Currently the website lists November 25 and December 30 as the last two meeting dates of the year. The Board informed staff these dates were wrong and the dates need to be changed to November 30 and December 28, 2016.</p> <p><b>C. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT</b></p> <p><b>1. Telemedicine Regulations</b>  The Board attorney provided an update on telemedicine regulations and the need to schedule the telemedicine committee to meet and review the comments. The Board Chair recommended having the committee meet within the next three (3) weeks.</p> <p><b>2. CME Update – LGBTQ and HIV</b>  Christopher Boone, law clerk for the Board, provided an update on the pending regulations for CME focused on the subject matters of LGBTQ and HIV. Based on the fact that the statute already addresses CME re: HIV, and that the regulations requiring HIV CME may sunset at the end of the next renewal cycle, it was recommended not to proceed with HIV regulations at this time. As for the LGBTQ regulations, they are still in the process of being drafted, but should be ready for Board review and approval shortly.</p>	
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**MISC. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

<p>OS-16-064  ALL</p>	<p><b><u>PROPOSED BOARD DELEGATED AUTHORITIES</u></b></p> <p><b>Tabled at the 9/28/2016 meeting for review from staff.</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b>  The Board reviewed the proposed Board Delegated Authorities and discussed whether to grant the stated authorities to staff.</p> <p><b>Background:</b>  Executive Director, Frank Meyers proposes the Board delegate authorities to the staff. As the Board itself is limited in how often it can meet, to help accomplish the goal of public safety the Board can delegated various authorities to Board staff.</p> <p>The proposed delegated authorities are limited in nature and are intended to facilitate the business of the Board in an efficient and expedient manner, while at the same time ensuring patient safety is always maintained.</p> <p>The authorities, if granted, are limited in scope to only those circumstances specified. Any ambiguities, either in the authorities themselves or the facts being presented, would be resolved by bringing</p>	<p>FM</p>
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	<p>said matter to the attention of the Board Chair, or the entire Board itself. The Board may withdraw the delegated authorities at any time.</p> <p>This information was previously provided to the Board for review and comments before approving and is now being brought back again for review following said comment period.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> The Board provided feedback and various recommended changes, with the directive to bring these delegated authorities back for review at the next meeting.</p> <p>As this was for information purposes only, no formal action was taken.</p>	
<p>OS-16-065 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>THE DC CENTER FOR RATIONAL PRESCRIBING</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To review information on available CMEs from the DC Center for Rational Prescribing (DCRx).</p> <p><b>Background:</b> With renewals ongoing, many licensees have requested information on where they can obtain CME credits. One available option is DCRx, which provides online education courses, free to DC physicians and healthcare professionals. More information on these courses and the DCRx program can be found online at <a href="http://doh.dc.gov/dcrx">http://doh.dc.gov/dcrx</a>.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> As this item was for information purposes only, no formal action was taken.</p>	
<p>OS-16-066 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>ESTABLISHMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To review and determine whether to establish standing committees for purposes of holding hearings and settlement conferences.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Board has several disciplinary matters pending that need a hearing or settlement conference scheduled. Staff was previously directed to reach out to various individual Board members to schedule these hearings, however various conflicts are preventing dates from being set. Staff has even sent a poll via Google Forms to try and find hearing dates that work for all Board members.</p> <p>One possible option to address this issue would be to establish standing committess made of up at least three (3) Board members, with membership rotating on a quarterly basis, that would hold hearings or settlement conferences on set dates each month. Members would need to agree to set aside a date each month that they are available all day.</p>	

	<p>This information is being provided for review and discussion.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> The Board directed to continue with the current hearing schedule and to bring this matter back for further discussion if staff continues to run into issues with setting hearings.</p> <p>As this item was for informational purposes only, no formal action was taken.</p>	
	<p><b><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></b></p> <p>Motion made by Dr. Anderson to go into closed session pursuant to DC Official Code 20575(b) for discussion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to 2-575(b)(4)(a);</li> <li>2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section 2-575(b)(6);</li> <li>3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section 2-575(b)(9);</li> <li>4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section 2-575(b)(14).</li> </ol> <p>Seconded by Dr. Smith.</p> <p>Dr. Orłowski, Dr. Macsata, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Smith, Ms. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, and Mr. Straub voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

**The Open Session Minutes continue on the next page with the Open Consent Items.**

OC-16-009 **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).

**NBME:**

N/A

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N/A

**FLEX Examination:**

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

Sheth, Gaurang

**USMLE APPLICANTS:**

The following applicants were licensed based on successful completion of the USMLE examination given in DC or outside of DC.

**Took USMLE in D.C**

N/A

**Took USMLE Outside of D.C.**

Ting, Tricia Y.

Reingold, Stephen

Pottash, Michael J.

Osarenkhoe, Ilveba U.

Rising, Kristin L  
Nguyen, Quan D.  
Engle, Sarah A.  
Gebru, Minas W.  
Song, Suzan J.  
Gujar, Sachin K.  
Rhoden, Chad A.  
Walker, Melanie S.  
Vu, Nancy  
Naidu, Anuradha  
Whittington, Paula  
Ganjoo, Dida  
Allen, Michael  
Saenz, Ausgtina D  
Shanmugam, Geetha  
Akoma, Ugochi N  
Chong, Nyen V  
Khan, Sairah A  
Roohi, Jasmin  
Edson, Steven B  
VAllabhaneni, Raghuveer  
Dumitriu, Bogdan  
Amoako, Adae  
Scahill, Michael  
Saha, Abha  
Ho, Yvette

Morton Hamer, Melinda

Lasher, Rick

**Endorsement:**

N/A

**Step 3:**

N/A

**Took Combo:**

N/A

**LMCC:**

Abuguyan, Fahad

**COMLEX:**

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

Mathai, Ashwini

**SPEX:**

N/A

**State Constructed:**

N/A

**MD/DO Reinstatement Applicants:**

Ho, Lyn

**MD/DO Reactivation Applicants:**

N/A

**Acupuncturist (NCCAOM):**

Bower, Allison

**Acupuncturist Reinstatement:**

N/A

**Physician Assistants (NCCPA):**

Boyer, Christine E

Mody, Puja

Lopez, Kristen

Weiss, Jamie

Patel, Shrinal

**PA Reinstatements:**

N/A

**Surgical Asst. / NSAA:**

N/A

**Surgical Asst. / ABSA:**

Gonzalez, Edgardo

**Surgical Asst. / NBSTSA:**

Barton, Krystle

**Surgical Asst. Reinstatements**

N/A

**Anesthesiology Assistants:**

Khalid, Adam

Tran, Vinh

**Trauma Technologist:**

N/A

**Naturopathic Physician:**

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

**Naturopathic Physician Reinstatement:**

N/A

**Eminence:**

N/A

**Polysomnographers:**

N/A

**Polysomnographer Trainee:**

N/A

**Alternative Pathway:**

N/A

**LICENSURE EXEMPTION (formerly 'Affiliated With'):**

N/A

**MEDICAL TRAINING REGISTRANT**

Windsor, Jennifer L.

Aman, Kyle A.

Norberg, Scott M.

Duchene, Brittany E.

Guha, Pallabi

Stahlmann, Charles G.

Eid, Mary V.

Zillen, Monica

Gates, Shayan

Goodlow II, Gale

Araki, Daisuke

Nadal Rios, Rosa

Weaver, Travis

Wilson, Bryan

Wu, Richard  
Skaret, Michael  
Humes, Ross  
Curry, Brian  
Ryan, Katherine  
Bencze, Jennifer A.  
Lui Mei, Ling  
Ricnther, Matthew  
Kin, Sarah  
Slowik, Jennifer  
Pratt, Drew  
Olanrewain, Christine  
Hutter, Jack  
Salter, Carolyn  
AlHazmi, Ahmed  
Pongas, Georgios  
Sullivan, Michael D  
Rein, Rita  
Yow III, Bobby G  
Saviol. Katrina A  
O'Malley, Kevin W  
Roach, William

**MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE IA**

Sharma, Yogita

**MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE IB**

N/A

**MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE II**

N/A

**This ends the Open Session Minutes.**

**Approved:**

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Janis M. Orlowski, MD, MACP

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Date

[Reviewed/Edited by Frank B. Meyers]