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WASHINGTON, DC 20002

February 26, 2014

10:30am-11:30am

**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."



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**BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>		
	JANIS ORLOWSKI, M.D. (JO)	Absent
	MARC RANKIN, M.D. (MR)	
	ANITRA DENSON, M.D. (AD)	
	LAWRENCE MANNING, M.D. (LM)	
	ANDREA ANDERSON, M.D. (AA)	
	THOMAS DAWSON, ESQ. (TD)	Absent
	LISA FITZPATRICK, M.D. (LF)	Absent
	BRENDAN FURLONG, M.D. (BF)	
	BERNARD ARONS, M.D. (BA)	
	JEFFREY SMITH, M.D. (JS)	Absent
	KELLY ANN COLDEN, M.D. (KC)	
	HOWARD LIEBERS, MPH (HL)	
	TERRENCE STRAUB (TS)	
<b>STAFF:</b>	JACQUELINE WATSON, DO, MBA – EXEC. DIRECTOR	
	LISA ROBINSON – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	AISHA WILLIAMS – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	DENIZ SOYER, MBA - HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	MARY HARRIS – HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	EMILIA MORAN – INVESTIGATOR	
	DIANE MOORER – IT SUPPORT	
<b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>	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-14-006 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></b> The Board considered the Open Session minutes of January 29, 2014.</p> <p><b>Motion: Approve. Seconded Passed Unanimously</b></p>	
<p>OS-14-007 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></b> The Board considered the current February 26, 2014 Open Consent Agenda.</p> <p><b>Motion: Approve. Seconded Passed Unanimously</b></p>	
<p>OS-14-008 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>NEW SR. DEPUTY DIRECTOR</u></b> Rikin S. Mehta, PharmD, JD, LLM, HRLA Sr. Deputy Director</p> <p><b>Dr. Mehta stopped by to officially introduce himself to the Board. He commended the Board on all its good work, and stated he is very interested in the activities of the Board and looks forward to creating new initiatives moving forward. He offered his full support on the Board’s current and future endeavors.</b></p>	
<p>OS-14-009 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT’S REPORT</u></b> 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><b>A. <u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u></b> 1. BoMed Calendar <b>ED reminded members the next meetings will be 3/13</b></p>	<p>JW</p>



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	<p>(subcommittee - executive session only) and 3/26.</p> <p>2. BoMed Stats The ED reported there are currently 12,694 licensed under the purview of the Board: 9911 MD/DO 1522 Medical Training License 267 Medical Training Registrant 155 Acupuncture 34 Anesthesiology Assistant 34 Naturopathic Doctor 615 PA 74 Polysomnography techs and trainees 82 Surgical Assistant</p> <p>467 licenses were issued, of with 307 are unrestricted. 245 are MD/DO 160 are MTL/MTR</p> <p>Disciplinary Stats during February: 1 complaint received 3 public orders issued 1 summary suspension 1 hearing held</p> <p>i. FY13 Fine Summary The Board issued 24 fines in FY13 and 10 fines to date in FY14.</p> <p>3. BoMed Newsletter The ED reported that there will be a winter/spring edition published in March.</p> <p>4. 2014 BoMed Renewals (MTL and Full License) The ED reminded the Board that full license renewals begin in October and Medical Training Licenses begin in March.</p>	<p>BK</p>
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5. 2014 Workforce Survey Development  
The ED reported that staff is preparing for the 2014 workforce survey. A taskforce is to be convened. It is noted that attendees of the 2013 symposium felt that the survey should be mandatory in 2014 so that a comprehensive and accurate picture of the District's physician workforce could be obtained.
6. Physician Assistant Delegation Agreement Audit Update  
The ED reported the 2% audit only yielded about 8 PAs, therefore she has increased the number to 10% for a better view of compliance.
7. Council Hearing on Health Professional Boards – March 7, 2014.  
The ED reported that Dr. Mehta will be testifying at the hearing. He is still waiting to hear if the Board Chairs will be asked to testify.
8. FSMB Associate Member Nomination  
The ED reported that she has been accepted as an Associate Member of the FSMB Board. She thanked the Board for otheir support in her nomination. She also reported that the annual conference in Colorado will take place from April 24-26. Dr. Orlowski, the Board Chair, will not be able to attend the meeting, so Dr. Watson asked the Board to designate an alternate representative who can attend.
9. FYI Articles
  - i. "Board asks: Are There too Many 'Doctors' in Medical Profession in NJ?"
  - ii. "Doctors should hire assistants to fill out electronic health records..."
  - iii. "8 Healthcare Trends to Watch in 2014."



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	<p>iv. "Practicing after one year of GME: Is it Feasible.."</p> <p><b>ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:</b></p> <p>The ED informed the Board about an FSMB grant that will fund Board's who wish to put together a presentation around opiod prescribing. The FSMB will provide \$10,000, speakers, training, etc. for any Board interested. The ED is currently applying for the grant on the Board's behalf.</p> <p>The ED reported that Bill 20-71 will allow the DOH Director to appoint members to advisory committees instead of Office of Boards and Commissions. Appointees will be required to practice in DC, but would no longer be required to live in DC.</p> <p><b>B. <u>BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT</u></b></p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>OS-14-010 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>PRESENTATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>1. <u>AccessRx</u></b> Presentation by Susan F. Wood, PhD., Associate Professor and Director of the Jacobs Institute of Women's Health at The George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services.</p> <p>Via a PowerPoint presentation, Dr. Wood presented on their analysis of pharmaceutical marketing expenditures in the District, for the Board's information and input. She explained that the law was passed in 2004, requiring pharmaceutical companies to report advertising, gifts, grants, and aggregate expenditures every year. An analysis is then done every year, and they (AccessRX) are the contractors that do the</p>	



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analysis.

This came about out of DC Council's concern over the overuse of antipsychotic drugs (particularly with children), irrational prescribing, and manufacturers overgifting to influence providers.

AccessRX's last report (fall of 2012) showed detailers amounts were 63%, and gifts were 31%--both substantial increases in expenditures, largely in the gifting area. This gifting was to practices, hospitals, professional and clinical organizations, etc. In dollar amounts, they received \$20 million (up from \$11 million previously). Individual physicians received \$10 million, with approximately \$6 million of that being for speaking fees.

Dr. Wood stated that without access to prescribing data, their focus has been on patterns of the gifting and to whom it was given. For example, the data shows that top antipsychotic product manufacturers gave much higher value gifts to psychiatrists that accept Medicaid, than to those who do not. 7 of those psychiatrists received gifts totaling \$300,000, as opposed to the \$166,000 received by the psychiatrists who do not accept Medicaid.

Dr. Wood stated they are now looking at nursing homes, nursing home Directors, and physicians who bill to Medicare (which Medicare also monitors). They have found most nursing homes in the District fall below the national average in terms antipsychotic prescribing rates and of gifting (most of it being for food). Using ProPublica data, they did find that 41 individual DC psychiatrists prescribed antipsychotics at a level of more than 50 prescriptions in a year to Medicare patients. 31



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	<p>did receive gifts, totaling \$70,000. Those 31 tended to prescribe drugs that were more expensive than those who did not receive manufacturer gifts.</p> <p>The ED asked if the data was mapped by ward. Dr. Wood stated it was not, as they are not provided with unique identifiers to do so. The ED suggested that OCTO's GIS mapping software could be useful to them for capturing that information in the future. Dr. Wood ended her presentation and stated they welcome the Board's suggestions on other trends/areas to look into or other drugs that raise a concern.</p>	
<p>OS-14-011 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE MEETING UPDATE</u></b> Update from the recent Collaborative Practice meeting, held Thursday, February 6, 2014. Dr. Orłowski and Dr. Watson attended this meeting.</p> <p>The ED reported tht Mr. Freedman will present to the Board on March 26<sup>th</sup> on the Collaborative Practice Law signed in 2013. BOM and BOP will work together in developing regulations. It is recommended that a taskforce be developed with BOM and BOP Board members.</p>	<p>JW</p>
<p>OS-14-012 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>Naturopathic Physician Controlled Substance Authority</u></b> The Board considered a memo and supporting documentation from the Program Manager of the Pharmaceutical Control Division, Patricia D'Antonio, regarding requests received from naturopathic physicians to have the authority to prescribe controlled substances.</p> <p>Patricia D'Antonio, Executive Director of the Board of Medicine and Pharmaceutical Control Division, informed the Board that the Naturopathic community has submitted a request for authority to prescribe controlled substances. The BOP has researched this matter, and recommends they only be allowed</p>	





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	<p>to prescribe Schedule III drugs (i.e. Tylenol 3, Vicodin, Codien products, and androgens such as testosterone.) There is concern that allowing them to prescribe will open the floodgates, and it will be hard to restrict certain drugs once the authority and licensure is given.</p>	
<p>OS-14-013 ALL</p>	<p><b><u>NBOME National Center for Clinical Skills Testing Visitation Day</u></b> FYI Only – NBOME will be holding a visitation day on Friday, May 9, 2014 at its National Center for Clinical Skills Testing, where attendees can observe an administration of the COMLEX USA Level 2- Performance Evaluation.  FYI only.</p>	

**ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION:**

Open Session guests—Kiesha Robinson, Regional Director of Medical Education of AT Stills, introduced her School of Osteopathic medical students, who have come to witness a Board meeting. Their home campus is in Mesa Arizona, but are currently assigned to Unity Healthcare’s Parkside site.

Patricia D’Antonio, Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Control Division, gave a brief update on the Medical Marijuana Program. She reported a slight increase in registrants, but it is still under 200. Pharmaceutical Control now has two subcommittees which will be looking at best practices and various questions such as: how much can be obtained/possessed a month, can it be homegrown, etc. An open meeting will be held on February 27, 2014.

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OPEN CONSENT ITEMS

APPROVED CLEAN APPLICATIONS

OC-14-002 - 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:**

Williams, David E.  
Gitlitz, David B  
Thomson, Eric  
Brem, Henry  
Candilis, Philip J  
Nelson, Christopher M.  
Gliksman, Sarah Rebecca  
Rothrock, John F  
Carter, Valarie

**NBOME:**

Weber, Jill

**FLEX Examination:**

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

Boller, Francois



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Gooden, Earl A.  
Kronemer, Keith  
Bowers-Stephens, Cheryll

**USMLE Applicants:**

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

**Took USMLE in D.C.**

N/A

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

Minor, Darlinda  
Kashyao, Smriti M.  
Clairborne, Maiysha  
Singh, Tangeneare  
Schor, Kenneth  
Wilson, Tara  
Hopkins, Tim B  
Wilson, Matthew D  
Aziz, Nasir  
Daniel, Stephanie  
Zhang, Dou  
Hardison, Robert  
Powers, Janet  
Zahra, Khalil  
Brown, Stephanie  
Burroughs, Tracee  
Davis, Jessica  
Rasai, Ernst  
Borofsky, Samuel E  
Alam, Marie Rose J.  
Warmouth, Grant M.  
Vashist, Alma



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Waberski, Andrew T  
Quinn, Kaitlin A.  
Willis, Asha D.  
Wien, Michael A.  
Larkin, Kathleen S.  
Liu, Xuwam  
Izadi, Kamron  
Knight, Kristin M.  
Wang, Norman C.Y.  
Slovin, Paul N.  
Rostami, Nahid  
Sidhu, Harshinder  
Berg, Julie S.  
Mahajan, Vrinda  
Gabriel, Gaby  
Gebrewold, Hirut A.  
Koshy, Bindu P.  
Bluvas, Peter J.  
Bowser, Lester  
Braunstein, Inbal  
Jacob, Mary  
Paulson, Jill  
Santos, Miguel  
Scher, Daniel  
Meyerstein, Shaanan  
Yelamanchili, Arati  
Schesinger, David  
Winfield, Matthew  
Lee, Bonmyong  
Reys-Ramos, Emmanuel  
Harrell, Vernocia  
Adachie, Anayo  
Wilson, Elizabeth  
Kline, Jaclyn  
Speight, Lisa



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**Endorsement:**

N/A

**Temporary Licenses (90-day)**

N/A

**Step 3**

N/A

**Took Combo:**

N/A

**LMCC:**

N/A

**Comlex:**

Kim, Rickey

Wang, David

**State Constructed:**

Zients, Alan B.

**MD/DO Reinstatement Applicants:**

Fathehi, Nasrollah

Roy, Ashok

Dammouji, Sabita

**MD/DO Reactivation Applicants:**

Bahroo, Sonia

Hahn, Winnie



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**Acupuncturist:**

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

Dunford, Melissa  
Stein, Dylan J  
Brooks-Rubim, Liana  
Cooper, Emily P

**Physician Assistants:**

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

Nester, Lindy  
Ellis, Luminita I.  
O'Donnell, Brian

**PA Reinstatements:**

N/A

**Surgical Assistants:**

The following applicants were approved for surgical assistant licenses:

Wilson, John J.  
Cossa, Anwar De Armando  
Cunanan, Leoncio I.  
Sanders, Kelly  
Rosser, Darren  
Baccari, Gina

**Anesthesiology Assistants:**



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The following applicant was approved for anesthesiologist assistant licenses:

Gower, John C

**Naturopathic Physician:**

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

N/A

**Eminence II:**

N/A

**Polysomnographers:**

Rice, Jared

Williams, Christina

**Alternative Pathway:**

N/A

**Temporary "Affiliated With":**

N/A

**MEDICAL TRAINING**

**REGISTRANT**

Fedorova, Victoria

Christensen, Daniel

Kibirova, Albina

Komsan, Ehab

Christensen, Bryt

Gerald, Thomas



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Rathore, Ajay Singh  
Pallegadda, Rani  
Oleka, Chimsom  
Elashery, Ahmad Ramy  
Yang, Zhiming

**MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE IA**

Drinkwater, Dennis  
Phillips, Christopher  
Gbade-Alabi, Oluwaseyi  
Wu, Difu  
Torres, Eunice

**MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE IIB**

**MEDICAL TRAINING LICENSE II**

This ends the Open Session Minutes.

Next meeting: March 26, 2014, 10:30am

Approved:

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Janis Orlowski, M.D. – Board Chairperson

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Date

[Submitted by HLS Lisa A. Robinson]