



BOARD OF MEDICINE

Open Session Agenda

January 31, 2024 8:30 AM

IN-PERSON MEETING

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BOARD 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 MEETING PARTICIPANTS:

BOARD MEMBERS:
Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)
William Strudwick, MD (WS)
Jeffrey Smith, MD (JS)
Konrad Dawson, MD (KD)
Asad Bandealy, MD (AB)
Carolyn Gorman, MD (CG)
Padma Puvuluri, MD (PP)
Daanish Jones (DJ)
VACANT (Physician Member)
VACANT (Consumer Member)
VACANT (Consumer Member)
BOARD STAFF:
Sithembile Chithenga- Executive Director
Lisa Robinson – Health Licensing Specialist
Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist
Charles Annor – Health Licensing Specialist
Kim Quickley – Health Licensing Specialist
Rona Rawls – Health Licensing Specialist
Chiquita Badgett – Health Licensing Specialist
Ashley Callaham – Health Licensing Specialist
Sabrina Gillison – Health Licensing Specialist
Emilia Moran – Investigator
LEGAL STAFF:
Suzanne Fenzel, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor
Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor
DC HEALTH STAFF
Matteo Lieb, Office of Government Affairs

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¹ The order in which the following agenda items are listed does not necessarily reflect the order in which the items were discussed during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER		
OS-24-01-01	INTRODUCTIONS	
ALL	A. BOARD MEMBERS	
	B. BOARD STAFF	

APPROVAL OF N	MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA, BOARD POLICIES, AND STAFF REPORTS	
OS-24-01-02	BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT	SC
ALL	A. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT	
	B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT	
	 DC Health Updates The Executive Director will provide an update on the District of Columbia responses to public health issues/concerns. 	
	ii. Advisory Committees The Executive Director will provide an update on the advisory committees.	
	iii. Board Vacancies/MOTA Update The Executive Director will provide an update on current Board vacancies.	
	iv. Licensure Census The Executive Director will provide an update on the current licensure census in the District of Columbia.	
	C. BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT	
	D. OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATION'S REPORT	

OS-24-01-03	OPEN SESSION MINUTES	LR/SC
ALL	Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the December 13, 2024, meeting.	
	Background: 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.	
OS-24-01-04	OPEN CONSENT AGENDA	LR
ALL	Board Action: Consideration of the current open Consent Agenda items for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.	
	Background: The Open Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.	
OS-24-01-05	PHYSICAN ASSISTANT DMV RECIPROCITY AGREEMENT	SC
	Board Action: For the Board to review and determine if the licensing requirements for Physician Assistants in Virginia and Maryland are substantially equivalent to the District's requirements.	
	Background: Following the successful reciprocity licensing model implemented for the physician, DC Health would like to implement a similar licensing pathway for physician assistants (PA). This reciprocity agreement contributes to improving healthcare workforce dynamics and administrative efficiency. It reduces barriers and expedites the process for qualified healthcare workers seeking employment across the DVM. It also strengthens collaboration with Virginia and Maryland in maintaining licensing standards. This agreement is contingent on the Board ensuring that the PA	
	licensing requirements of the partnering states, Virginia and Maryland, are comparable and aligned with the District's agreement.	

	Board initially reviewed on the 12/13/23 Board meeting but wanted additional time to review DMV materials.	
OS-24-01-06	17 DCMR 6517 SELF-ADMINISTERED HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVE PRESCRIPTIONS Board Action: For the Board to vote on the proposed final rule following submitted comments and committee review. Background: In 2018, D.C. Council passed the Defending Access to Women's Health Care Services Amendment Act of 2018 which, among other things, required the Boards of Pharmacy and Medicine to jointly develop and issue regulations for pharmacists to prescribe and dispense self-administered hormonal contraceptives. A committee was established with members from both boards and the regulations, protocol and questionnaire were developed. The proposed regulations were published on May 26, 2023, and comments were received from the Medical Society of DC (MSDC), CVS Health, NAD Albertsons (Safeway Pharmacies). MSDC expressed generalized concerns about the development of the protocol and questionnaire, among other things, and CVS and Safeway Pharmacies had specific requests about some of the requirements. The Board of Medicine reviewed the proposed comments at its July 26, 2023 meeting and proposed sending them to the committee for their review. Members of the committee from the Board of Pharmacy and Dr. Anderson, the only BOM committee member still on the Board, have reviewed the	SF
	comments. In summary, no changes are recommended to the proposed rules.	
OS-24-01-07 All	PUBLIC COMMENTS Background: To provide the public with the opportunity to comment or provide feedback to the Board.	

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MOTION TO CLOSE OS-24-01-08 **MOTION TO CLOSE Board Action:** ALL To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b). Background: Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following: 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). 2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6). 3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9). 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).

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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-24-01-09	MOTION TO ADJOURN	
ALL	Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.	
	Background: At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.	

This ends the Open Session Agenda.

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