

BOARD OF NURSING

Open Session Agenda

June 3, 2020

9:00 AM

Virtual Meeting Notice

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BOARD MISSION STATEMENT:

“The mission of the Board of Nursing is to safeguard the public’s health and well-being by assuring safe quality care in the District of Columbia. This is achieved through the regulation of nursing practice and education programs; and by the licensure, registration and continuing education of nursing personnel.”

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BOARD MEMBERS:	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	
Layo George, RN (LG)	
Elizabeth Lamme, RN (EL)	
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	
Theedith Moore, LPN (TM)	
BOARD STAFF:	
Tonoah Hampton, MSN, RN, Executive Director	
Bonita Jenkins, EdD, RN, CNE	
Cathy Borris-Hale, RN, MHA	
Concheeta Wright, BSN, RN	
DaNeka Bigelow, Health Licensing Specialist	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Ajay Gohil, JD	

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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 will be discussed during the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER		
OS-20-06-01	<u>INTRODUCTIONS</u> A. BOARD MEMBERS B. BOARD STAFF	MB

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-20-06-02	<p><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u></p> <p>A. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT</p> <p>B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <p>i. RN/APRN Renewals Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the District of Columbia Board of Nursing has postponed the 2020 registered nurse and advance practice registered nurses (RN/ APRN) renewals. To ensure RNs and APRNs will be able to continue to provide uninterrupted care during the COVID-19 public health emergency, licenses set to expire on June 30, 2020, will be extended until August 30, 2020. However, the renewal portal will open on June 8, 2020.</p> <p>ii. COVID-19 Continuing Education NCSBN offers a free series of COVID-19 courses for health care professionals</p> <p>C. BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</p>	TH
OS-20-06-03 ALL	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the May 6, 2020 meeting.</p> <p>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.</p>	MB

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MISC. ITEMS

OS-20-06-04	<p><u>ANNUAL NURSING SCHOOL REPORT REVISION</u></p> <p>Board Action: To approve minor revision to the nursing schools Annual Report Form</p> <p>Background: Minor revisions were made to the annual reporting form for nursing schools to address frequently requested information.</p>	BJ
OS-20-06-05	<p><u>APPLICATION FOR HOME HEALTH AIDE TRAINING PROGRAM- Prestige Home Health Aide Training Program</u></p> <p>Board Action: To determine whether to approve the application for establishment of a home health aide training program in the District.</p> <p>Background: During May meeting, the Board voted to table the decision until June meeting to allow the full board to make a decision approval of their home health aide training program.</p>	BJ
OS-20-06-06	<p><u>TELEHEALTH REGULATIONS</u></p> <p>Board Action: To determine if regulations or statutory changes are required to address telehealth in the District of Columbia</p> <p>Background: The COVID-19 public health emergency has highlighted the benefit of telehealth services. While the District currently does not have any specific telehealth requirement outside of licensure for practice, the Interprofessional Collaboration workgroup has requested feedback from the Boards on the pros and cons surrounding telehealth legislation and practices.</p>	TH
OS-20-06-07	<p><u>Nursing Programs Waivers</u></p> <p>Board Action: To consider issuing waivers to the existing Nursing School regulations for RN and LPN programs</p> <p>Background: The Board has received request from several universities and colleges requesting waivers for clinicals.</p> <p>The requests for consideration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Simulations replace 50 % of clinical instead of the 30% currently allowed.2. Simulations include screen-based or virtual simulations.	BJ

	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Use of simulations in the areas of community health, foundations, and physical assessment.4. All clinical be virtual using simulations and case studies.5. Simulations in the fall and defer clinical until spring semesters.6. If healthcare facilities do not permit students in the fall semester, complete clinical using simulations.	
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MOTION TO CLOSE

OS-20-05-06	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>Board Action: To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p>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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">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).	TH
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MOTION TO ADJOURN

OS-20-05-07	<p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p>Board Action: To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p>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.</p>	TH
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This ends the Open Session Agenda.