

Board Of Dentistry
2201 Shannon Place SE – 2nd Fl.
Washington, DC 20020

Date: March 20, 2024
Time: 9:00 AM

OPEN SESSION
MEETING AGENDA

AMENDED

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BOARD MEMBERS:	
Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS – Chairperson	
Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS – Vice Chairperson	
Ms. Dianne Smith, ESQ - Consumer Member	
Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS - Board Member	
Brittany Harris-Campbell, RDH, MSDH - Board Member	
Vacant – (Dentist) Board Member	
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	
Rebecca Odrick-Austin, Board Investigator	
Zaneta Batts, Health Licensing Specialist	
Tiffany Johnson, Health Licensing Specialist	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Carla M. Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel	

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0320-01	<p><u>INTRODUCTIONS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Board Members B. Board Staff C. Legal Staff D. Public Attendance
OS-0320-02	<p><u>OPEN SESSION AGENDA</u></p> <p>Board Action: Acceptance of the March 20, 2024, meeting agenda.</p>
OS-0320-03	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 17, 2024, meeting.</p>

STAFF REPORTS

OS-0320-04	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>BOD Calendar</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 17, 2024 (Virtual) • February 21, 2024 (Cancelled due to DC Health moving) • March 20, 2024 (Virtual) • April 17, 2024 (Virtual) • May 15, 2024 (Virtual) • June 19, 2024 (In Person & Virtual) • July 17, 2024 (Virtual) • August (Recess) • September 18, 2024 2. <u>BOD Census</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dentists (1,102) Dental Hygienists (473) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (95) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia & Nitrous Oxide (84) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide (2) Dental Assistant Level 1 (136) Dental Assistant Level 2 (515) Teaching Licenses for Dentists (3) Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (0)
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	<p>3. District of Columbia COVID-19 https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine</p> <p>4. District of Columbia Monkeypox https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/monkeypox</p> <p>5. The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) recruits talented and interested individuals from all eight Wards to serve on District Boards. Link to apply to serve on a Board: https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seats</p>																																																	
OS-0320-05	<p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Ms. Carla Williams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FINAL Rulemaking Level 3 Dental Assistants <p>The following orders have been issued since the last Board meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Donald Meyer – Public Consent Order 																																																	
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OS-0320-07	<p><u>CONSENT AGENDA:</u></p> <p>The following applications were reviewed by Dr. John Bailey (Chairperson), Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice-Chairperson), or Mrs. Ericka Walker (Executive Director), from January 12, 2024 – March 13, 2024:</p> <table> <tr><td>Maritza</td><td>Benitez</td><td>Dental Assistant- Level I</td></tr> <tr><td>Tatiana</td><td>Thrasher</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Gissel</td><td>Argueta</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Natasha</td><td>Louison</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Benjamin</td><td>Simplice</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Biliulfo</td><td>Gayosso Gomez</td><td>Dental Assistant- Level I</td></tr> <tr><td>Zoporrah</td><td>Love</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Sharnae</td><td>Via</td><td>Dental Assistant- Level I</td></tr> <tr><td>Elizabeth</td><td>Cohen</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Christian</td><td>Morales Perez</td><td>Dental Assistant- Level I</td></tr> <tr><td>Allison</td><td>Moradel</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Tomas</td><td>Barsoum</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Mia</td><td>Larsen</td><td>Dental Assistant- Level I</td></tr> <tr><td>Jade</td><td>Medina-Parada</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> <tr><td>Morgan</td><td>Cuthbert</td><td>Dental Assistant- Level I</td></tr> <tr><td>Shan Rennan</td><td>Rondina</td><td>Dental Assistant - Level II</td></tr> </table>	Maritza	Benitez	Dental Assistant- Level I	Tatiana	Thrasher	Dental Assistant - Level II	Gissel	Argueta	Dental Assistant - Level II	Natasha	Louison	Dental Assistant - Level II	Benjamin	Simplice	Dental Assistant - Level II	Biliulfo	Gayosso Gomez	Dental Assistant- Level I	Zoporrah	Love	Dental Assistant - Level II	Sharnae	Via	Dental Assistant- Level I	Elizabeth	Cohen	Dental Assistant - Level II	Christian	Morales Perez	Dental Assistant- Level I	Allison	Moradel	Dental Assistant - Level II	Tomas	Barsoum	Dental Assistant - Level II	Mia	Larsen	Dental Assistant- Level I	Jade	Medina-Parada	Dental Assistant - Level II	Morgan	Cuthbert	Dental Assistant- Level I	Shan Rennan	Rondina	Dental Assistant - Level II	
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Jeffrey	Lopez	Dental Assistant - Level II
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Tuga	Elhaboub	Dental Assistant- Level I
Janiya	Thornton	Dental Assistant - Level II
Betelihem	Chekole	Dental Assistant - Level II
Perla	Argueta Orellana	Dental Assistant - Level II
Yoselin Guadalupe	Torres Guevara	Dental Assistant- Level I
Natalie	Calero Urbina	Dental Assistant - Level II
Ronald	Trent	Dental Assistant - Level II
Karen	Rivas De Martinez	Dental Assistant - Level II
Lisa	Pigford	Dental Assistant - Level II
Ivory	Brown	Dental Assistant - Level II
Taylor	Barnes	Dental Assistant- Level I
LaDonna	Meade	Dental Assistant- Level I
Georgina	Briceno	Dental Assistant- Level I
Mckayla	Belmar	Dental Assistant- Level I
Miranda	Stone	Local Anesthesia And Nitrous Oxide
Vanmala	Sharma	Local Anesthesia And Nitrous Oxide
Carla	Cornejo	Local Anesthesia
HeeJue	Hong	Dentist
Miranda	Stone	Dental Hygienist
Melissa	Stapley	Dental Hygienist
Sohaib	Khan	Dentist
Alexa	McArthur	Dental Hygienist
Hesham	Frag	Dentist
Maya	Vexler	Dentist
Peter	Marratto	Dentist
Tiffany	Gavin Walker	Dentist
Riley	Bontrager	Dental Hygienist
CyVanie	Ramkelawan	Dentist
Eric	Morrison	Dentist
Marim	Hanna	Dentist
Claudia	White	Local Anesthesia And Nitrous Oxide
Yasamin	Rasool	Dentist
Valencia	Washington	Dental Hygienist
Seung Yeon	Bae	Dentist
Kesha	Keys	Dental Hygienist

DISCUSSION ITEMS

OS-0320-08 LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Mr. Matteo Lieb, DC Health's Legislative Affairs Specialist, to provide updates on the following:

Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA) Update:

- DC Health worked on a significant revision of the HORA. This would be the first significant revision in seventeen years.
- The revised HORA received Mayoral approval and has been introduced in the Council as the *Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023* ([B25-0545](#)).
- This legislation received a hearing on [December 7th](#). Over 80 witnesses, many of whom were healthcare professionals, signed up to provide testimony. DC Health's Associate Director of Health Professional Licensing Boards provided testimony in support and answered questions from the Council.
- DC Health has been working on the Committee on Health following that hearing. A mark-up has been scheduled for March 21st, 2024.

Health Professional Licensing Boards Residency Requirement Amendment Act of 2023:

- Councilmembers Henderson and Parker introduced the *Health Professional Licensing Boards Residency Requirement Amendment Act of 2023* ([B25-0312](#)) on June 2, 2023.
 - This legislation would permit non-District residents to serve on health professional licensing boards.
 - There would be restrictions, including that the Board Chair and Consumer Members would continue to need to be District residents and no more than 50% of the Board could be made up of non-District residents.
- This bill received a hearing on [July 13, 2023](#). DC Health testified during this hearing and expressed support for the need for innovative solutions to fill board vacancies and offered some changes to the bill. It then passed on final reading on November 7th, was signed by the Mayor on November 21st, and became official law on January 23, 2024.

DC Health FY 23 Performance Oversight Hearing

- DC Health recently had its performance oversight hearing in the Committee on Health for Fiscal Year 2023.
- The first part of the hearing was held on January 18th, 2024. That hearing featured public witnesses and included representatives from advocacy organizations, healthcare systems, and non-profit providers. That hearing can be watched at the following [link](#).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representatives from DC Health then testified to the Committee on January 22nd, 2024. Testimony was provided by Director Bennett and other members of leadership and subject matter experts. Councilmembers asked questions of DC Health on a variety of topics including health professional licensing, DC Health’s upcoming move, maternal health, food access, opioid abatement, and school health. That hearing can be watched at the following link. <p>DC Health Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DC Health will have its Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight hearing in early April. This hearing offers an opportunity for the Committee on Health to review DC Health’s proposed budget for the 2025 Fiscal Year. There will be two hearings, one on April 1st for public witnesses and one on April 4th for representatives from DC Health.
OS-0320-09	<p><u>DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Credentials & Audits:</u> Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton and Dr. John Bailey. <u>Communications:</u> <u>Regulatory Affairs:</u> Ms. Dianne Smith.
OS-0320-10	<p><u>“TELEDENTISTRY” QUESTIONS REGARDING RULES AND STATUTES</u> The Board has received an inquiry asking to discuss the laws and statutes regarding “Teledentistry” in the District of Columbia.</p>
OS-0320-11	<p><u>ANONYMOUS QUESTION</u> The Board has received an inquiry from a Dental Hygienist Licensee regarding the possible usage of an LLC for compensation. The Dental Hygienist would like to start and use an LLC to be compensated for any services they provide as a temp hygienist. The hygienist states they normally receive a 1099 at the end of each tax year. However, due to not being classified as a W-2 employee, they usually owe a large sum of money at the end of every tax year. They hope to take advantage of the tax benefits of being an independent contractor.</p>
OS-0320-12	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p>

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CLOSING	
OS-0320-13	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>The Board member should move as follows:</p> <p>“Mister Board Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14).”</p>
	ROLL CALL VOTE
	<p>This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.</p>

This ends the Open Session Agenda
The next meeting is scheduled on April 17, 2024

This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.