

## **BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**

### **OPEN SESSION AGENDA**

**May 21, 2020**

**1:30PM to 4:30PM**

#### **Virtual Meeting Notice**

*Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all board meetings will be held virtually during the declared public health emergency.*

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OS-0521-01	<b><u>CALL TO ORDER</u></b>	
OS-0521-02	<b><u>ROLL CALL</u></b>	
OS-0521-03	<b><u>ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Acceptance of the May 21, 2020 Open Session Agenda.	
OS-0521-04	<b><u>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</u></b>	
OS-0521-05	<b><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</u></b>	
OS-0521-06	<b><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</u></b>	
OS-0521-07	<b><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the January 16, 2020 meeting.	
OS-0521-08	<b><u>FYI</u></b>  <b><u>Background:</u></b> Meeting dates for 2020. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• July 16, 2020</li> <li>• September 17, 2020</li> <li>• November 19, 2020</li> </ul>	
OS-0521-09	<b><u>COVID-19</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Discuss and decide actions to address licensees concerns around, in-person continuing education requirements and CPR certifications, national examinations, and standards of care during the pandemic.  <b><u>Background:</u></b> Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mayor issued an Administrative Order that waived licensure requirements and for the allowance of telehealth. In addition, staff has received questions regarding what massage therapist can do during this	

	<p>time and based on the Administrative Order closing non-essential businesses.</p> <p>Based on the request from several jurisdictions the Federation of State Massage Therapy Board developed the <i>Guidelines for Practice with COVID-19 Considerations</i>. The intent of the Guidelines is to provide a resource for FSMTB Member Boards and Agencies and recommendations and guidelines for massage and bodywork practitioners to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.</p> <p><a href="#"><u>Guidelines for Practice with COVID-19 Considerations</u></a></p>	
OS-0521-10	<p><b><u>REGULATION AMENDMENT</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Review of the draft proposed regulation updates and decide whether to accept or not to accept.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The Board reviewed and discussed the current draft regulation and ended the discussions on section 7503.1 of the draft regulation.</p>	
OS-0521-11	<p><b><u>FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS BY APPLICANTS</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> To review and provide feedback regarding frequently asked questions.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The team has been given the opportunity to create a FAQ section on the Board’s current webpage. This FAQ section will allow applicants and licensees the ability to get information in a timely manner. The FAQ section consist of questions that our Health Licensing Specialist are frequently asked.</p>	
OS-0521-12	<p><b><u>WORKFORCE SURVEY</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> To provide feedback regarding core questions related to the profession.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The Health Regulation and Licensing Administration plans to incorporate workforce surveys during renewals for all professions. The Workforce Survey is used to capture the distribution of</p>	

	healthcare providers across the District and obtain feedback regarding hot topics related to your profession.	
OS-0521-13	<p><b><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> <i>Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575B and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</i></p>	
OS-0521-47	<p><b><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Boards.</p>	

This ends the May 21, 2020 meeting. The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 16, 2020.

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