

**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING**

**899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2<sup>ND</sup> FL.**

**WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**December 13, 2019**

**10:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**OPEN SESSION DECEMBER 13, 2019**

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| OS-1219-01 | <b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</b>  |  |
| OS-1219-02 | <b>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</b>   |  |
| OS-1219-03 | <b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</b>  |  |
| OS-1219-04 | <b>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</b>  |  |
| OS-1219-05 | <b>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</b>   |  |
| OS-1219-06 | <p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b><br/>Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the November 8, 2019 meeting.</p>  |  |
| OS-1219-07 | <p><b>CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE REVIEW</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b><br/>To decide whether to approve the continuing education submitted by the District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE).</p> <p><b>Background:</b><br/>OSSE would like to allow LPCs to receive 8 CEU hours if they took and completed their course titled “Youth Mental Health First Aid”. The evidence behind Mental Health First Aid demonstrates that it makes people feel more comfortable understanding and responding to signs of mental illness. Specifically, studies found that those who trained in Mental Health First Aid have greater confidence in providing help to others, improved concordance with health professionals about treatments, and decreased stress managing a crisis. Individuals also learn how to build mental health literacy and helping the public identify stigmatizing attitudes.</p> <p>The DC Board of Social Work approved the course on October 22, 2019.</p> |  |
| OS-1219-08 | <p><b>DISCUSSION – STATE OF CACI/CACII JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b><br/>To determine whether to implement an attestation form in lieu of the jurisprudence examination.</p> <p><b>Background:</b></p>  |  |

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|            | <p>The regulations for the Certified Addiction Counselor (I and II) require all applicants to sit for the jurisprudence examination. Currently, Professional Testing Corporation (PTC) offers the jurisprudence examination. PTC informed DC Health that it is changing testing providers and provided the agency with a new contract. The new agreement is currently under review. Due to this, CACI and CACII applicants will no longer be able to sit for the jurisprudence examination effective January 1, 2020. Board Staff has provided an example of an attestation for from the Board of Psychology to review.</p>                     |  |
| OS-1219-09 | <p><b>DISCUSSION – 2019 BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b><br/>Discuss and provide feedback regarding the draft board announcements for December 2019.</p>  |  |
| OS-1219-10 | <p><b>MOTION TO CLOSE</b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b><br/>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><br/>Upon conclusion of the open session meeting pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) 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.</p> <p>The next open session meeting scheduled for December 13, 2019 at 10:00am.</p> |  |

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