

# BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

## MEETING AGENDA

**September 14, 2021**  
**2:30 PM**

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**OPEN SESSION AGENDA SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

**Call to Order:**

	<b><u>Roll Call:</u></b>	
<b>OS-0914-01</b>	<b><u>Approval of the Agenda</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Acceptance of the September 14, 2021 Open Session Agenda.	<b>ALL</b>
<b>OS-0914-02</b>	<b><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT'S REPORT</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Introduction of the New Executive Director</li> <li>B. Operational Status Update</li> <li>C. Update related to the Licensure Waiver</li> <li>D. Covid Vaccine/Vaccination Requirement</li> <li>E. Upcoming ASPPB Meeting</li> <li>F. Licensure Census</li> <li>G. Renewal Updates</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT</b></li> <li>• <b>CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</b></li> </ul>	
<b>OS-0914-03</b>	<b><u>Open Session Minutes</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Consideration of the Open Session minutes from July 13, 2021 meeting.	<b>ALL</b>
<b>OS-0914-04</b>	<b><u>Discussion-Change To Meeting Times and Dates</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Discuss times and dates for the Board's meetings.  <b><u>Background:</u></b> The Board's staff would like to discuss changing the time and dates of meetings to ensure the meetings are conducting within DC Health hours of operations.	<b>ALL</b>
<b>OS-0914-05</b>	<b><u>COVID-19 Vaccine Continuing Education (CE) Requirement</u></b>  <b><u>Board Action:</u></b> To determine whether the Board will accept the new 2 hour COVID-19 Vaccine continuing from non-APA approved courses towards the required 10% public health priorities.	<b>ALL</b>

OS-0914-06	<p><b><u>EPPP2 (Part 2- Skills) Requirements</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> The Board is to decide whether to accept the Board’s chair recommendation and adopt the EPPP2 examination.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The EPPP 2 was under Beta Phase of the Exam. The EPPP2 Beta Phase has been completed. The Board Chair indicated that the EPPP2 has been effectively activated August 15, 2021 per ASPPB. The implementation of the EPPP 2 contingent upon the completion of the beta testing process.</p> <p>The Board Chair’s recommendation is to implement the EPPP 2 is to establish a date such as January 1, 2022 and require anyone who graduate after that date (January 1, 2022) to take the EPPP2, whether they a new applicant by examination or by endorsement from a state that does not the EPPP2 and if they also graduated after the designated date.</p>	
OS-0914-07	<p><b><u>Review – Draft Fall Board Announcement</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Review and discuss the draft announcement for licensees.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> Board staff has drafted an announcement from the Board to licensees. The announcement would update licenses on all matters pertaining to the Board.</p>	ALL
OS-0914-08	<p><b><u>Consent Agenda:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b> Consideration of the applications approved for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The 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.</p>	ALL
OS-0914-09	<p><b><u>Jeremy Kozne, PhD, DC Psychological Association (DCPA):</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Board Action:</u></b></p>	ALL

	<p>The Board requested to review the documents that was shared with them at this meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b>                  In July 2021, Dr. Kozne shared information regarding the postgraduate licensure.</p> <p>The Board requested to see the shared documents at this meeting.</p>	
<p><b>OS-0914-10</b></p>	<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>                  Chairperson, 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>	

	<p><b><u>THIS SECTION IS FYI ONLY</u></b> <b><u>NO BOARD DECISION OR ACTION IS NEEDED</u></b></p>	
FY-01	<p><b><u>DC Health Covid-19 Pandemic Health &amp; Healthcare Recovery Report</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> This report provides an assessment of the District’s current and emerging health needs while offering solutions for improving our health system in five domains: workforce, healthcare facilities, health information technology, health planning, and community health services.</p>	
FY-02	<p><b><u>Expiration of Licensure Waiver</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The licensure waiver expired on July 25, 2021. Out of state licensees using the waiver have 60-days from July 25, 2021 to finalize services with DC residents and/or become licensed in DC. At this time, the waiver has not been extended.</p>	
FY-03	<p><b><u>COVID-19 Vaccines Continuing Education (CE) Requirement</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> DC Health through emergency rulemaking, has now mandated that a person licensed to practice one of the identified professions must complete two (2) hours of continuing education on COVID-19 vaccines, including, but not limited to, COVID-19 vaccine safety, best practices for counseling patients about COVID-19 vaccines, and COVID-19 vaccine efficacy and effectiveness, on or before September 30, 2021. These hours of continuing education may be counted as hours required for public health priorities training hours or optional training hours where applicable.</p>	
FY-04	<p><b><u>COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement For Licensed Health Professionals And Unlicensed Healthcare Workers</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> All licensed, certified, and registered health professionals and all unlicensed healthcare workers must fulfill the requirement to</p>	

	<p>receive at least one dose of a COVID-19 mRNA vaccine (Moderna or Pfizer) or the single dose Johnson &amp; Johnson vaccine no later than September 30, 2021. Failure to meet this requirement can result in disciplinary action including suspension and revocation of a health professional's license, certification, or registration.</p>	
<p><b>FY-05</b></p>	<p><b><u>NOTICE OF ACTIONS – Withdrawal- American Psychological Association - Commission on Accreditation</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> In accordance with the Secretary’s Recognition Criterion 602.26, <i>Notification of accrediting decisions</i>, and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation Recognition Standard 11, <i>Demonstrates Public Accountability for Performance and Transparency</i>, the attached summarizes actions made by the American Psychological Association’s Commission on Accreditation (CoA) to accept the request for voluntary withdrawal from one program. This withdrawal was reviewed at the CoA’s summer program review meeting held on July 14-18, 2021, and a final decision has been reached.</p> <p>For a comprehensive search tool of all currently accredited programs is available on the Office of Program Consultation and Accreditation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The George Washington University, Counseling and Psychological Services at Colonial Health Center. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Effective 9/1/2021.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p><b>FY-06</b></p>	<p><b><u>Telehealth- Supervision Guidance</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Update:</u></b> The updated policy statement has been extended to January 31, 2022 and it has been posted.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> In March 2021, the Board extended the telehealth remote supervision policy to Board’s January 2022 meeting.</p> <p>Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mayor issued an Administrative Order that waived licensure requirements and the allowance of telehealth.</p> <p>The Board drafted a guidance on tele-psychology and remote supervision during the COVID-19 Health Emergency policy statement. This policy guidance governs practice and supervision from March 11, 2020 to December 31, 2020.</p>	

<p><b>FY-07</b></p>	<p><b><u>Continuing Education Requirement- Face-to-Face</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Update:</u></b> Pending the drafted policy statement with Board Attorney.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> In March 2021, the Board voted to allow the options for individual to do the continuing education online via live program or on demand for the remaining cycle.</p> <p>On Jan 4, 2021, emergency regulations were passed that provide Boards with regulatory authority to modify their renewal CEU requirements during extraordinary times, such as the current coronavirus pandemic. The purpose of the emergency regulation is to allow boards to accept remote courses (aka “online courses” or “distance education”) in lieu of live, face-to-face courses if the Board determines that satisfying the live course requirement has become unduly burdensome for its licensees during extraordinary circumstances. This Board already accepts remote courses that are conducted live, in real time; however, the emergency rule authorizes Boards to accept other types of remote courses, such as courses that are pre-recorded or provided on-demand, and should it deem them necessary. (Note: The emergency rule pertains to CEU requirements for renewals, only.)</p>	
<p><b>FY-08</b></p>	<p><b><u>Reinstatement and Reactivation Continuing Education Requirements for Psychology Associate</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Update:</u></b> In July 2021, The Board voted to keep the amended version with the CAP.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> In March 2021, the Board voted to accept the Mayor’s Office’s request and requested to create a cap of five years.</p> <p>After the Board’s March meeting, the Mayor’s Office changed position and retracted its request for a cap. Since the Board only voted to adopt a cap due to the Mayor’s Office’s request, the Attorney along with Executive Director agreed that the cap was no longer necessary for the rulemaking and to continue as the Board originally intended (without the cap).</p> <p>The psychology associate regulations were updated in 2019 to include the 10% of public health priorities. It appears that</p>	

	<p>language regarding the amount of continuing education (CE) required per year the license was expired or inactive was accidentally removed. The current continuing education requirements for reinstatement and reactivation does not specify the number CEs need based on the expiration of the license.</p> <p>The Board wants the psychology associate and the psychology continuing education requirements be the same. The board voted to draft policy for reinstatement and reactivation CE requirements which should be the same standards as the psychology CE requirements. In addition, update the ethics requirements to 1.5 hours for both the psychology and psychology associate reactivation/reinstatement continuing education requirements.</p>	
<p><b>FY-09</b></p>	<p><b><u>Health Occupation Revision Act (HORA) Revision</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Update:</u></b> Pending with Board Attorney.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> In May 2021, the Board accepted the revision of the scope of practices of psychology and psychology associate with the modifications stated. Dr. Jimenez suggested that the degree requirement for psychology associate should graduate from accredited college or university with at least master’s degree in psychology. Dr. Jimenez also suggested to remove the word “other” under item C (i) of the practice of psychology associate.</p> <p>During the March 2021 meeting, the Board voted to adopt the ASPPB Model Act related to the scope of practices and requested the Board attorney incorporate teaching and research on the draft.</p> <p>In January 2021, the Board Chair recommended to review and use the ASPPB scope of practice.</p>	

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 9, 2021** at **2:30 pm**.

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