

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

February 14, 2022

9:00 a.m.

OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES

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 FEBRUARY 14, 2022
 ATTENDANCE & ROLL CALL**

| BOARD MEMBERS | |
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| Carolyn Williams - Chairperson | PRESENT |
| Betty Akpan - Board Member | PRESENT |
| Carla Seals - Board Member | PRESENT |
| Donae Magett – Consumer Board Member | ABSENT |
| BOARD STAFF | |
| Ericka L. Walker, Executive Director | PRESENT |
| Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer | PRESENT |
| Emilia Moran, Board Investigator | PRESENT |
| Keyana Goodwin, Health Licensing Specialist | PRESENT |
| LEGAL STAFF | |
| Joanne Drozdoski, Assistant General Counsel | PRESENT |

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| CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL | |
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| OS-0214-01 | <p><u>Introductions</u></p> <p>The meeting was called to order at 9:00am and a quorum was maintained.</p> <p>Board Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carolyn Williams, Board Chair- Present • Betty Akpan, Board Member- Present • Carla Seals, Board Member- Present • Donae Magett, Board Member- Absent <p>Board Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ericka Walker, Executive Director- Present • Emilia Moran, Investigator- Present • Thelma Ofosu-Mensah, Health Licensing Specialist- Present • Keyana Goodwin- Health Licensing Specialist-Present <p>Legal Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joanne Drozdoski, Assistant General Counsel- Present |
| OS-0214-02 | <p><u>Acceptance of Meeting Agenda</u></p> <p>Board Action: Acceptance of the February 14, 2022 Open Session Meeting Agenda.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to approve the February 14, 2022 Open Session Meeting Agenda by Carla Seals, seconded by Betty Akpan.</p> <p>Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion, the motion passed unanimously.</p> |
| OS-0214-03 | <p><u>Open Session Meeting Minutes:</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the December 6, 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to approve the December 6, 2021 Open Session Meeting Minutes with the noted corrections by Carla Seals, seconded by Betty Akpan.</p> |

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| | Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion; the motion passed unanimously. | |
| MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS | | |
| OS-0214-04 | <p><u>Executive Directors Report</u> DC Health Updates:</p> <p>Ms. Walker gave an update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC Health employees are still on the teleworking posture and employees are required to work three days in the office and telework two days. • The Board currently has 752 Licensed Respiratory Care Therapists. • The Board has a new Health Licensing Specialist- Ms.Keyana Goodwin • The processing center is open for Board business on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9am-1pm and Wednesday from 9am-3:30pm. | |
| OS-0214-05 | <p><u>Board Attorney’s Report</u> <u>Notice of Emergency and Proposed Rulemaking</u> <u>Background:</u> Effective now, Notice of Emergency and Proposed Rulemaking: Sections 230 and 231 of Chapter 2 (Communicable and Reportable Diseases) of Subtitle B (Public Health and Medicine) of Title 22 (Health) of the DCMR to require health care workers to be up to date on their COVID-19 vaccine, including boosters and annual vaccinations. Health care workers must obtain a booster by 03-01-2022, unless granted an exemption.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ms. Drozdoski informed the Board about the new requirements for COVID-19 booster shots for all health care professionals. | |
| OS-0214-06 | <p><u>Board Chair’s Report</u> Ms. Williams gave an update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Respiratory Care Annual Meeting is scheduled for November -9-12 in New Orleans. ➤ Welcomed Ms. Keyana Goodwin as the new Health Licensing Specialist for the Board. ➤ DC did not host International Fellow due to the global pandemic. ➤ NBRC Annual meeting will be held in Kansas, August 2022 | |
| DISCUSSION ITEMS | | |
| OS-0214-07 | <u>FY2022 Meeting Dates</u> | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ May 9, 2022 ➤ July 11, 2022 <p>Background: The Board of Respiratory meets quarterly and the FY 2022 dates are listed above for Board review.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to meet on September 12,2022 in addition to the regular scheduled meeting dates by Carla Seals, seconded by Betty Akpan. Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion; the motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| CLOSING | | |
| OS-0214-08 | <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: Upon conclusion of the open session meeting and 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>Motion: A motion was made to close the open session portion of the meeting, by Betty Akpan. Seconded by Carla Seals.</p> <p>Carolyn Williams, Betty Akpan and Carla Seals all voted in favor of the motion; the motion passed unanimously.</p> | |

This ends the Board of Respiratory Care Open Session Meeting.
The next meeting is scheduled for **May 9, 2022.**