



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Health Regulation and Licensing Administration

### BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING OPEN SESSION MEETING AGENDA

**December 11, 2020**

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

#### Virtual Meeting Notice

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

*Information on how to access the public portion of the meeting is listed below:*

#### **Join by Web**

<https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=mb7db2da02f1ac65acba8e248dc72d81a>

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## OPEN SESSION DECEMBER 11, 2020

OS-1220-01	<b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</b>	
OS-1220-02	<b>APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA</b>	
OS-1220-03	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT</b>	
OS-1220-04	<b>BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT</b>	
OS-1220-05	<b>CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</b>	
OS-1220-06	<p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the November 13, 2020 meeting.</p>	
OS-1220-07	<p><b>TELEHEALTH</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> The Board is to provide any feedback/discussion.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> DC Health has created an interprofessional workgroup comprised of the Board Chairs from different licensure boards. The group was established to generate ideas on solving health matters from a multi-discipline approach. The Workgroup has decided to focus its efforts on the development of legislation to address telehealth. A subcommittee will be formed with representation from each health professional board.</p>	
OS-1220-08	<p><b>REGULATIONS REVIEW</b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> Review the recommendations of regarding the LPC and LGPC draft proposed regulatory revisions and determine whether to accept.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> Subcommittee has provided a number of recommendations regarding updating Chapter 66 and Chapter 91 of the DCMR</p>	

<p>OS-1220-09</p>	<p><b>DISCUSSION – ETHICAL CONCERNS WITH DC SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS’ RIGHTS AMENDMENT ACT OF 2019 cont.</b></p> <p><b><u>Discussion:</u></b> Discuss the potential impact the law will have on licensees.</p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> The DC Sexual Assault Victims’ Rights Amendment Act of 2019 included the right to an advocate for 13 to 17-year-old youth in DC who have experienced sexual assault. For youth in this age range who were specifically impacted by peer-on-peer or stranger assault, the right to an advocate comes with an exemption to mandated reporting. Licensees would like to ensure that this exemption to mandated reporting under the law for these specific kinds of cases would not present a problematic ethical concern in the eyes of the Board.</p> <p>The Board discussed this matter during the November meeting and wanted to discuss further at the December meeting.</p>
<p>OS-1220-10</p>	<p><b>FYI – WEBINAR BY THE ASSOCIATION FOR COUNSELOR EDUCATION AND SUPERVISION</b></p> <p><b><u>Background:</u></b> Dr. Samantha Knox, Ed.D., LPC, LCPC, NCC, Director of Clinical Training, Graduate Counseling Program, Trinity Washington University, attended the webinar that focused on Innovative Strategies for Clinical Practice. The following is a list of strategies that were approved by CACREP to support students in securing hours during the pandemic:</p> <p><b><u>Direct:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitating virtual direct transition activities (i.e. outplacement meetings, forums for students transitioning from elementary to middle or middle to high, GRE/SAT seminars, college application process, etc.)</li> <li>• Calling parents who are new to the school or agency</li> <li>• Creating recorded videos for incoming students or guidance lessons</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creation of webinar-like research presentations that can be posted on the program, agency, or school’s YouTube channel</li> <li>• Language translation services</li> <li>• Coordination with the Family Engagement Coordinator to volunteer with food distribution if the site also serves as a meal center</li> <li>• Conducting a telephone needs assessment with parents or adult clients</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Indirect:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning huddles with faculty/ staff</li> <li>• Professional development</li> <li>• Faculty or staff meetings</li> <li>• Viewing of Theravue videos (or other clinical skills videos) and practicing skills</li> <li>• Webinars</li> <li>• Research around client populations</li> </ul> <p>To view the webinar, please visit <a href="https://youtu.be/salmS_askZU">https://youtu.be/salmS_askZU</a>.</p>	
OS-1220-11	<p><b>MOTION TO CLOSE</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> 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>	

**The next open session meeting scheduled for January 8, 2021 at 10:00am.**

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