



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Health Regulation and Licensing Administration

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING OPEN SESSION MEETING AGENDA

November 13, 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:

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OS-1120-01	CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL	
OS-1120-02	APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA	
OS-1120-03	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT	
OS-1120-04	BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT	
OS-1120-05	CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT	
OS-1120-06	<p>MINUTES</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the October 9, 2020 meeting.</p>	
OS-1120-07	<p>DISCUSSION – LGPC INTERNSHIP-PRACTICUM UPDATE</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Discuss actions taken to update internship-practicum requirements for the LGPC.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Currently, the regulations for the LGPC require applicants to complete at a minimum a 700-hour internship-practicum during their matriculation process. To allow the Board the ability to exercise the ability to accept internship-practicums with less than 700 hours, the Board created a subcommittee to produce a remedy for the matter.</p>	
OS-1120-08	<p>DISCUSSION – LGPC PRACTICE FROM OVERSEAS</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Discuss whether an active DC LGPC can provide virtual counseling services to residents and accumulate supervision while living overseas due to the pandemic.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> COVID-19 has changed the way licensees interact with clients and one another. Since the Board’s October meeting, the Board has been contacted about providing guidance on the following subjects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Receiving supervision from active DC LPCs who reside in the same foreign country as an active DC LGPC; 2. Receiving supervision from licensed supervisor who resides in DC while working remotely from overseas; and 	

	<p>3. Providing counseling services to DC residents while DC LGPC is located overseas.</p>	
OS-1120-09	<p>DISCUSSION – CAC REGULATION SUBCOMMITTEE</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Decide whether to create a subcommittee to review and provide revision recommendations to the Board.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The current regulations for the CACI and CACII need to be updated. To assist the Board with the process, Board Staff is recommending the creation of a subcommittee to provide the Board with revision recommendations.</p>	
OS-1120-10	<p>DISCUSSION - BOARD FALL ANNOUNCEMENT</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Review and provide any feedback/recommendations for the announcement.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> To assist with increasing communication between the Board and the public, Board Staff has drafted a notice on behalf of the Board.</p>	

OS-1120-11	<p>DISCUSSION – ETHICAL CONCERNS WITH DC SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS’ RIGHTS AMENDMENT ACT OF 2019</p> <p><u>Discussion:</u> Discuss the Board’s licensees are impacted by the law.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> 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>	
OS-1120-12	<p>MOTION TO CLOSE</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> 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>	
OS-1120-13	<p>MOTION TO ADJOURN</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> 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>	

The next open session meeting scheduled for December 11, 2020 at 10:00am.

The Open Meetings Act governs this meeting. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.