

BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

March 9, 2022

2:30pm to 3:30pm

Virtual Meeting Notice

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OPEN SESSION March 9, 2022

OS-0322-01	<p>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</p> <p>The March 09, 2022, Open Session meeting was called to order at 2:44 pm and a quorum was established.</p> <p>Board Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Bernardine Evans, Chairperson – Present • Dr. Tim Vidale-Present • Ana Quinones – Present • Dr. Nick Caylor – Present <p>Board Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LaTrice Herndon – Executive Director • Tamika Wells – Health Licensing Specialist • Joanne Drozdowski – Board Attorney • Mark Donatelli – Board Investigator <p>Guest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jasisie Steven-APTA DC President • Titilayo Akinmusu-Physical Therapist • Nava Szwergold- Physical Therapist • Matteo Lieb- DC Health Legislative Affairs Specialist 	
OS-0322-02	<p>APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA</p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session Agenda from the March 9, 2022, meeting.</p> <p>Motion: Motion made by Dr. Caylor to accept the March 09, 2022 Open Session Agenda as presented. Seconded by Ana Quinones</p> <p>Vote: Dr. Caylor, Ms. Quinones, and Dr. Evans, voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p>	
OS-0322-03	<p>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</p> <p>Executive Director Ms. LaTrice Herndon reports:</p>	

	<p>Vaccine and Booster:</p> <p>As of March 1, 2022, all health professionals and DC Government staff must be fully vaccinated, which means to have received one (1) dose of Johnson and Johnson or two (2) doses of Pfizer or Moderna and a booster vaccine. Health Professionals can attest to receiving the booster and apply for an exemption by using this link: https://doh.force.com/ver/s/vaccinereporting .</p> <p>Supervised Practice Letter:</p> <p>Health professionals and applicants must be fully vaccinated to receive a supervised practice letter and provide direct supervision to the applicant. At the same time, they await the approval of their licensure.</p> <p>Census:</p> <p>Physical Therapist: 1,277 Physical Therapy Assistant: 93</p>	
OS-0322-04	<p>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT</p> <p>No Report</p>	
OS-0322-05	<p>CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT</p> <p>Dr. Bernardine Evans reports:</p> <p>Dr. Evans asked the Board staff for any updates regarding the Physical Therapy Compact in the District. Dr. Evans states receiving inquiries from physical therapists asking when the compact will be available in the district for applicants and a timeline of the process. Dr. Evans also states receiving complaints from patients about not receiving proper care from the physical therapist and spending short amounts of time with the physical therapist during appointments.</p> <p>Madam Executive Director Ms. LaTrice Herndon states that DC Health is currently seeking how to implement licensure privileges for a physical therapist through the compact before allowing applicants to apply. Ms. Herndon plans to receive guidance from the agency Senior</p>	

	<p>Deputy Dr. Sharon Lewis on how the agency can best implement the physical therapy compact to the public.</p> <p>Board Attorney Ms. Joanne Drozdoski states she plans to research how other states have implemented the compact in their regulations.</p> <p>Dr. Evans shares Project 1st Line. A monthly national education and training collaborative of more than 75 healthcare, academic, and public health partners devoted to educating the healthcare workforce about infection control. Here is the link for more information: https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/project-firstline . Training is held every 3rd Wednesday and begins March 16, 2022, at noon. Regardless of their role, experience level, and educational level, all healthcare workers are welcome to attend.</p> <p>Lastly, Dr. Evans shares her experience at the March 5, 2022, Pro Bono Network Conference in Pennsylvania. Dr. Evans had the opportunity to discuss access to care for Pro Bono patients and how the Physical Therapy compact affects Pro Bono services for patients and one freestanding clinic in the district.</p>	
OS-0322-06	<p>MINUTES</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the Open Session Minutes from the February 09, 2022 meeting.</p> <p>Motion:</p> <p>Motion made by Dr. Caylor to accept the February 09, 2022, Open Session Minutes. Seconded by Ms. Quinones</p> <p>Vote:</p> <p>Dr. Vidale, Ms. Quinones, and Dr. Evans, Dr. Caylor voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

OS-0322-07	<p>CEU REVIEWS</p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Review and determine whether to approve the use of the CEUs by licensees.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Board decided to table this matter for Board staff to gather additional information from DSD PT Counseling, PLLC. Once the requested information is submitted, the Board Chair, Dr. Evans, will review the report. DSD PT Counseling, PLLC submitted requests to have the following CEU course approved for use by the Board’s licensees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pediatric Incontinence and Pelvic Floor Dysfunction <p>Motion:</p> <p>Motion made by Dr. Caylor to approve the course Pediatric Bowel and Bladder Disorders and Comprehensive course to evaluate and treat dysfunctional avoiding, bed wetting and constipation Phase 1 with the motion for the course to include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course name matches the description • Certificate matches the course title • Stipulates online or in-person course • Includes contacts hours 17.6 or 1.76 CEU’s • Instructor includes their full name and role on course documentation <p>Seconded by Dr. Vidale.</p> <p>Vote:</p> <p>Dr. Vidale, Ms. Quinones, and Dr. Evans, Dr. Caylor voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
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OS-0322-08	<p>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AMERICAN PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATION (DCAPTA) PRESENTATION</p> <p>Background: DCAPTA will be presenting debridement techniques and Physical Therapy practices.</p> <p>NO FORMAL MOTION MADE</p>	
OS-0322-09	<p>COVID-19 WAVIERS AND VACCINATION/ BOOSTERS IMPLEMENTATIONS</p> <p>Background: The Board staff and Board members will discuss the implementations of the current COVID-19 Waivers and Vaccination/Boosters mandates in the district.</p> <p>NO FORMAL MOTION MADE</p>	
OS-0322-10	<p>TEMPORARY LICENSURE WAVIER</p> <p>Background: The Board staff and Board members will discuss the implementations of the current Temporary licensure Waiver mandates in the district.</p> <p>NO FORMAL MOTION MADE</p>	
OS-0322-11	<p>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA</p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the applications approved for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p>Motion: Made by Dr. Caylor to accept the Consent Agenda. Seconded By Ms. Quinones.</p> <p>Vote: Ms. Quinones, Dr. Vidale, and Dr. Evans, Dr. Caylor voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p>	
OS-0322-12	<p>MOTION TO CLOSE</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:</p>	

	<p>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>Motion:</p> <p>Motion by Dr. Caylor to close open session at 4:00pm. Seconded By Ms. Quinones</p> <p>Vote:</p> <p>Ms. Quinones, Dr. Vidale, Dr. Evans, and Dr. Caylor voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p>	
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The next open session meeting scheduled for April 13, 2022, at 2:30pm.

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.

FYI-0322-01	<p>COVID-19 WAVIERS AND VACCINATION/ BOOSTERS IMPLEMENTATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All applicants must be vaccinated to obtain licensure, renew, reinstate, and reactive their license. The vaccine attestation is now a part of the application submission. Applicants/licensees must attest to their status when applying for licensure in the district. Laws currently prohibit DC licensed facilities from hiring anyone unvaccinated. • The waiver of licensure for out-of-state licensees in good standing to practice via telehealth to existing clients or to practice at a DC Health Care facility has been extended by DC Council until August 2022; however, these licensees are expected to apply for DC Health by 3/31/2022. • The district’s definition of fully vaccinated as of March 1, 2022, applicants will need to have Pzifer or Moderna vaccine along with either booster to be qualified as fully vaccinated. If the applicant’s health professional type is designated for a temporary license, the applicant can apply 	
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	for a temporary license while awaiting their booster vaccination.	
FYI-0322-02	<p>TEMPORARY LICENSURE</p> <p>Temporary licensure is when an applicant requests a provisional license to practice in the District pending the review and approval of their complete license application. If the applicant holds one (1) a license in good standing in another state or jurisdiction and two (2) have applied for a full license to practice a healthcare profession in the District. The "Temporary License" application is a part of the application process and does not require applicants to submit a separate request. Temporary licensure is not attached to any public health emergency or prior licensure waivers. It is a new and permanent addition to DC Health. Applicants must submit the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • submit a completed application • submit vaccine attestation of COVID-19 Vaccination and Booster • Proof of licensure in good standing in all states/ jurisdictions • submission of CBC • submit an NPDB self-query (if applicable) <p>There is no additional fee for a temporary license. The estimated processing time for approval is within 48 hours of receipt of the completed application of all required documentation. A practitioner's scope of practice under a temporary license is the same as a standard license, except it is only valid for 90 days.</p>	