

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

MAY 10, 2021

9:00 am - 10:00 am

OPEN SESSION

MEETING AGENDA

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 MAY 10, 2021 ATTENDANCE & ROLL CALL**

BOARD MEMBER	
Carolyn Willams - Chairperson	
Betty Akpan - Board Member	
Carla Seals- Board Member	
Donae Maggett- Board Member	
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker, Executive Director	
Emilia Moran, Board Investigator	
Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Christopher Boone, General Counsel	

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0510-01	<p><u>Introductions</u></p> <p>A. Board Members</p> <p>B. Board Staff</p>
OS-0510-02	<p><u>Acceptance of Meeting Agenda</u></p> <p>Board Action: Acceptance of the May 10, 2021 Open Session Meeting Agenda.</p>

MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-0510-03	<p><u>Executive Directors Report:</u></p> <p><u>Current Licensure Census</u> Active Respiratory Care Therapists: 686</p>	
OS-0510-04	<p><u>Board Attorney's Report:</u> Removing Barriers to Occupational Licensing for Returning Citizens Amendment Act of 2020.</p>	
OS-0510-05	<p><u>Board Chair's Report:</u></p>	
OS-0510-06	<p><u>Open Session Meeting Minutes:</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting.</p>	

DISCUSSION AND AGENDA ITEMS	
OS-0510-07	<p><u>Review of Respiratory Care HORA Board Composition</u></p> <p>Board Action: For Board to review the existing requirement for the Board’s composition and determine if it recommends changes.</p> <p>Background: The HORA, at D.C. Official Code 3-1202.14(c), currently requires that, “Of the members of the Board, 3 shall be respiratory therapists licensed in the District; 1 shall be a physician with knowledge and experience in the practice of respiratory care; and 1 shall be a consumer member.”</p>
OS-0510-08	<p><u>Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA) Scope of Practice</u></p> <p>Board Action: For Board to review the current Respiratory Care Scope of practice and determine if it recommends changes.</p> <p>Background: (17A) "Practice of respiratory care" means the performance in collaboration with a licensed physician, of actions responsible for the treatment, management, diagnostic testing, control, and care of patients with deficiencies and abnormalities associated with the cardiopulmonary system, including, but not limited to: (A) Therapeutic and diagnostic use of medical gases, humidity, and aerosols, including the maintenance of associated apparatus; As of 6/2015 30 (B) Administration of medications to the cardiorespiratory system; provision of ventilatory assistance, ventilatory control, including high frequency ventilation; postural drainage, chest physiotherapy, breathing exercises, and other respiratory rehabilitation procedures; (C) Cardiopulmonary resuscitation and maintenance of natural airways, the insertion and maintenance of artificial airways and the transcription and implementation of a physician's written or verbal orders pertaining to the practice of respiratory care; (D) Testing techniques utilized in respiratory care to assist in diagnosis, monitoring, treatment, and research; and (E) Measurement of ventilatory volumes, pressures and flows, specimen collection of blood and other materials, pulmonary function testing pH and blood gas analysis, hemodynamic and other related physiological monitoring of the cardiopulmonary system.</p>

OS-0510-09	<p><u>Delegation of Authority Review</u></p> <p>Board Action: To review the draft Delegation of Authority for Respiratory Care.</p> <p>Background: The Boards Delegation of Authority has been placed into a final document for review and final decision making.</p>
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CLOSING		
OS-0510-10	<p><u>MOTION TO COSE</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>	

This Ends the Board of Respiratory Care Open Session Meeting, the next meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2021