

# BOARD OF MEDICINE

## Open Session Minutes

September 25, 2024

8:35 AM - 4:13 PM

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### VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

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**BOARD MISSION STATEMENT:**

“To **protect** and enhance the health, safety, and well-being of District of Columbia residents by **promoting** evidence-based best practices in health regulation, high standards of quality care and implementing policies that **prevent** adverse events.”

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**BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:**

| <b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>                                 |                 |
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| Andrea Anderson, MD (AA)                              |                 |
| William Strudwick, MD (WS)                            |                 |
| Daanish Jones (DJ)                                    |                 |
| Carolyn Gorman, MD (CG)                               |                 |
| Padmaja Pavuluri, DO (PP)                             |                 |
| Amr Madkour, MD (AM)                                  |                 |
| Mariam Michael, MD (MM)                               | Arrived at 8:55 |
| Harry Barbee, Ph. D (HB)                              |                 |
| VACANT (Department of Health DOH Designee)            |                 |
| VACANT (Physician Member)                             |                 |
| VACANT (Physician Member)                             |                 |
| VACANT (Physician Member)                             |                 |
| VACANT (Consumer Member)                              |                 |
| VACANT (PA Assistant Member)                          |                 |
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| <b>BOARD STAFF:</b>                                   |                 |
| Sithembile Chithenga MD MPH- Executive Director       |                 |
| Lisa Robinson – Compliance Specialist                 | Absent          |
| Mary Harris – Health Licensing Specialist             | Absent          |
| Charles Annor – Health Licensing Specialist           |                 |
| Cynymon Colebrook-Health Licensing Specialist         |                 |
| Raihannah Muhammad- Health Licensing Specialist       |                 |
| Kim Quickley – Health Licensing Specialist            |                 |
| Chiquita Badgett – Health Licensing Specialist        |                 |
| Ashley Callahan – Health Licensing Specialist         | Arrived at 8:58 |
| Sabrina Gillison – Health Licensing Specialist        |                 |
| Jennifer Stuart-Health Licensing Specialist           | Arrived at 8:58 |
| Emilia Moran- Investigator                            | Absent          |
| <b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>                                   |                 |
| Suzanne Fenzel, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor         |                 |
| Ajay Gohil, Esq. – Board Attorney Advisor             |                 |
| <b>DC HEALTH STAFF:</b>                               |                 |
| Matteo Lieb, Director of Office of Government Affairs |                 |
| Brett Bennett-DOH Attorney                            |                 |

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| CALL TO ORDER |   |  |
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| OS-24-09-01   | <b><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></b>                                 |  |
| ALL           | <p><b>A. BOARD MEMBERS</b></p> <p><b>B. BOARD STAFF</b></p> |  |

| APPROVAL OF MINUTES, CONSENT AGENDA, BOARD POLICIES, AND STAFF REPORTS |  |    |
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| OS-24-09-02  | <b><u>BOARD/DEPARTMENT REPORT</u></b>  | SC |
| ALL  | <p><b>A. BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT</b></p> <p>The Board Chair attended the international medical regulators association summit (IAMRA) last week. The summit covered AI in the usage of medical regulations and the previous executive director Frank Myers was featured as a presenter. There were over thirty countries represented in discussions of how AI can be used for medical usage, patient privacy concerns, and ethical concerns. FSMB provided initial thoughts about AI usage in the past national meeting in April 2024.</p> <p><b>B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</b></p> <p><b>i. DC Health Updates</b><br/>The Executive Director stated the renewal period portal is scheduled to open on October 1, 2024, and renewal notices will be sent out soon to all eligible applicants. Physician Assistants (PA’s) are now able to apply for an expedited pathway via the DMV reciprocity, which will open for submission on October 1, 2024.</p> <p><b>ii. Advisory Committees</b><br/>The Executive Director provided an update on the advisory committees. The Maternal Care Professions and Physician</p> |    |

Assistants advisory committees board presentation have been postponed. They are now expected to present draft regulation in the October 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.

iii. **Board Vacancies/MOTA Update**

The Executive Director provided an update on the current Board vacancies. The Board is currently seeking to fill the physician, physician assistant, and consumer board member vacancies. Dr. Jefferey Smith's tenure ended in August.

iv. **Licensure Census**

The Executive Director provided an update on the current licensure census in the District of Columbia. Total Board of Medicine Census 18113

- Acupuncturist -162
- Athletic Trainer- 151
- Anesthesiologist Assistant -152
- Medical Training License I(A) -1150
- Medical Training License I(B) - 329
- Medical Training License II -25
- Medical Training Registrant -148
- Medicine And Surgery -13633
- Naturopath Physician -64
- Osteopathy And Surgery -925
- Physician Assistant -1382
- Polysomnographic Technician -1
- Polysomnographic Technologist -66
- Surgical Assistant -123
- Chinese Herbology-34
- Athletic Trainer -151
- Trauma Technologist -4

Physician licenses approved via the DMV Reciprocity: 483  
Physician licenses approved via the Medical Compact: 703

C. **BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT**- No Report

D. **OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATION'S REPORT**

**Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA) Update:**

- The HORA of 2023 passed and became law over the summer.

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|             | <p><b>Medical Malpractice Clarification Amendment Act of 2024</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ On July 12<sup>th</sup>, Councilmember R. White along with Councilmembers Bonds, Nadeau, Pinto, T. White, Allen, Gray, Henderson, Mendelson and Lewis George introduced the <i>Medical Malpractice Clarification Amendment Act of 2024</i> (<a href="#">B25-0926</a>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This legislation prohibits medical malpractice insurer from taking adverse actions against health care practitioners who provide health care services that are lawful under the laws of the District, including reproductive health care and gender-affirming care.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ This legislation has been referred to the Committee on Business and Economic Development, but no hearing has been scheduled.</li> </ul> |       |
| OS-24-09-03 | <p><b><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b><br/>Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the July 31, 2024, meeting.</p> <p><b>Background:</b><br/>The Open Session Minutes are a record of the Board’s past meeting(s), describing the events, list of attendees; a statement of the issues considered and related responses or decisions of the Board.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Dr. Gorman to approve minutes. Seconded by Dr. Pavuluri.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Dr Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Ms. Jones, Dr. Gorman, Dr. Pavuluri, and Dr. Barbee voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Madkour and Dr. Michael abstained. Motion passed.</p>   | KQ/SC |
| OS-24-09-04 | <p><b><u>OPEN CONSENT AGENDA</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b><br/>Consideration of the current open Consent Agenda items for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><b>Background:</b></p>  | CB/SC |

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|             | <p>The Open Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Dr. Gorman to approve minutes. Seconded by Dr. Pavuluri.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Dr Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Ms. Jones, Dr. Gorman, Dr. Pavuluri and Dr. Barbee voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Madkour and Dr. Michael abstained. Motion passed.</p>  |       |
| OS-24-09-05 | <p><b><u>PEDIATRIC INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM APPLICATION</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To review an application for a non-ACGME accredited pediatric interventional radiology fellowship training program at Children's National Hospital.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Pediatric Interventional Radiology program will be hosted within the Department of Diagnostic Imaging and Radiology at Children's National Hospital, which includes an ACGME-accredited pediatric radiology program, as well as non-ACGME accredited programs in pediatric neuroradiology and body imaging. It will also collaborate with the Department of Radiology at George Washington University Hospital. This program will provide pediatric radiology fellows with opportunities for advanced training in pediatric interventional radiology, supplementing the elective time in the 1-year ACGME accredited curriculum. Furthermore, it will allow adult interventional radiology fellows to extend their training to pediatric patients. Additionally, it will offer radiology residents who are not pursuing adult interventional training a pathway to acquire interventional skills specifically for the pediatric population.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Dr. Strudwick to approve the program application. Seconded by Dr. Pavuluri.</p> <p><b>Vote:</b> Dr. Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Dr. Gorman, Dr. Pavuluri, Ms. Jones, Dr. Barbee, Dr. Madkour and Dr. Michael was absent. Motion passed.</p> | CB/SC |
| OS-24-09-06 | <p><b><u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b></p> <p><b>Background:</b><br/>There were no comments from the public.</p>  |       |

**MOTION TO CLOSE**

OS-24-09-07

**MOTION TO CLOSE**

ALL

**Board Action:**

To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).

**Background:**

Pursuant to DC Official Code § 2-575(b), the Board will move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting to discuss the following:

1. To consult with an attorney to obtain legal advice and to preserve the attorney-client privilege between an attorney and a public body, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4)(a).
2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6).
3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9).
4. To plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigation of alleged criminal or civil misconduct or violations of law or regulations, if disclosure to the public would harm the investigation pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(14).

**Motion:** Motion made by Dr. Gorman to close Open Session. Seconded by Dr. Strudwick.

**Vote:** Dr. Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Ms. Jones, Dr. Pavuluri, Dr. Gorman, Dr. Barbee, Dr. Madkour, and Dr. Michael voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

**The Open Session Minutes continues on the next page with 'Motion to Adjourn'. The next Board meeting is In Person and will be held on **October 30, 2024**.**



**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

OS-24-09-08

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

ALL

**Board Action:**

To adjourn the meeting.

**Background:**

At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.

**Motion:** Motion made by Dr. Gorman to adjourn Open Session at 9:09. Seconded by Dr. Strudwick.

**Vote:** Dr. Anderson, Dr. Strudwick, Ms. Jones, Dr.Pavuluri, Dr. Gorman, Dr. Barbee, Dr. Madkour, and Dr. Michael voted in favor of the motion. Motion passed.

**This ends the Open Session Minutes.**

*This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at [opengovoffice@dc.gov](mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov). 3 DCMR § 10409.2*