

# BOARD OF NURSING

## Open Session Minutes

July 6, 2022  
9:00 a.m.

### VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE

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

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**Board of Nursing Mission Statement:**

*“The mission of the Board of Nursing is to safeguard the public’s health and well-being by assuring safe quality care in the District of Columbia. This is achieved through the regulation of nursing practice and education programs; and by the licensure, registration and continuing education of nursing personnel.”*

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**BOARD MEETING PARTICIPANTS:**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	
Meedie Bardonille, RN (MB)	Present
Laverne Plater, RN (LP)	Present
Rick Garcia, RN, PhD (RG)	Excused / Absent
Margaret Green, LPN (MG)	Present
Monica Goletiani, Consumer (MG)	Present
Crystal Johnson, Consumer (CJ)	Present
Michelle Clausen (MC)	Present
Patricia Howard-Chittams (PHC)	Present
<b>BOARD STAFF:</b>	
Teresa Walsh, PhD, RN, NE-C	Present
Bonita Jenkins EdD, RN, CNE	Present
Cathy Borris-Hale MHA, RN	Present
Concheeta Wright BSN, RN	Present
Mark Donatelli, Investigator	Absent
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	Present
Melondy Franklin, Supervisory Health Licensing Specialist	Excused / Absent
Matteo Lieb, Legislative Affairs Specialist	Present
<b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>	
Panravee Vongjaroenrat, Assistant General Counsel	Present

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<p>iii. Licensure Census – Approx. 22,000 RN renewals. May 26, 4,681 CNA’s are licensed under Credentia.</p>		
LICENSE TYPE	# OF ACTIVE LICENSEES (7/4/2022)	
Certified Nurse Midwife	121	
Clinical Nurse Specialist	32	
Home Health Aide	7,205	
Licensed Practical Nurse	1,672	
Nurse Practitioner	2,436	
Registered Nurse	22,599	
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	125	
Trained Medication Employee	1,334	
<i>Total</i>	<i>35,524</i>	
<p><b>C. Board Attorney Report – No report</b>  <b>D. Legislative Updates – Matteo Lieb</b>  <b>Minor Consent Vaccination Legislation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Council passed the <i>Consent for Vaccinations of Minors Emergency Amendment Act of 2022</i> (<a href="#">B24-0890</a>). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This legislation would allow certain eligible minors, including emancipated minors or unaccompanied homeless minors to access vaccinations recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) without the need for parent consent. The legislation would also allow providers to administer vaccinations recommended by the ACIP to any minor without parental consent given the provider “reasonably attempts” to obtain consent from a legal guardian and the legal guardian does not object.</li> <li>○ A temporary version of this legislation passed on July 12, and Council plans to introduce a permanent version later this year.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Removing Barriers Legislation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Council passed the <i>HIV/AIDS Data Privacy Protection Amendment Act of 2021</i> (<a href="#">B24-0207</a>). This legislation includes an amendment that increases the flexibility for DC Health Professional Boards to consider criminal history as part of the application process. It also repeals the ability for perspective applicants to receive a predetermination hearing from DC Health.</li> </ul>		<p><b>Informational</b></p> <p><b>Informational</b></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The legislation was approved unanimously by Council on final reading on June 28 and will go into effect by January.</li> </ul> <p><b>Reproductive Healthcare Provider Legislation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Councilmember R. White introduced the <i>Protecting Health Professionals Providing Reproductive Health Care Amendment Act of 2022</i> (<a href="#">B24-0830</a>).             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This proposed legislation would prevent DC Health licensing boards from taking certain actions, including the revocation or suspension of a license, against a licensed healthcare professional for providing or facilitating abortion services when that that service falls within the professional’s scope of practice, and the disciplinary action is based exclusively on the patient residing in a jurisdiction where abortion services are prohibited.</li> <li>○ Council plans to hold a hearing after recess.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Healthcare Career Scholarship &amp; Health Professional Loan Repayment Program (HPLRP) Expansion Legislation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DC Health worked to introduce the <i>High Need Healthcare Career Scholarship and Healthcare Loan Repayment Program Emergency Act of 2022</i> (<a href="#">B24-0852</a>).             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ This legislation establishes a scholarship program for education, training, transportation, and examination fees for eligible medical professionals (nursing assistive personnel and EMTs). The bill would also expand the HPLRP to include loan repayments for medical sub-specialty professionals, part-time practitioners, and private providers in medically underserved areas.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ This legislation, and an accompanying temporary version, passed the Council unanimously. A permanent version will be introduced this fall.</li> </ul> <p><b>Domestic Worker Legislation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Committee on Labor &amp; Workforce Development held a hearing from the <i>Domestic Worker Employment Rights Amendment Act of 2022</i> (<a href="#">B24-0712</a>). The bill has also been re-referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Facilities.</li> <li>▪ This legislation would establish new protections for domestic workers which may include some DC Health licensed professionals like Home Health Aides.</li> </ul> <p><b>E. Education Subcommittee Report</b></p>	<p><b>Informational</b></p> <p><b>Informational</b></p> <p><b>Informational</b></p>
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	<p>i. <b>Motion made and approved by Subcommittee for the NAP regulations as follows:</b> Revise NAP regulation to include statement: Programs that fail to submit the annual report and / or submit the \$500 fee by February 15th will be assessed \$500 late fee. (of note, no school was fined in 2022).</p> <p>i. <b>Decision</b> : Clarity to regulation : If no payment, by March 1, the school approval will be removed. Vote to approve Motion by Educational Comm. by Unanimous consent.</p> <p>ii. <b>Legal Advisor:</b> Package for rulemaking will be prepared for publication for amendment.</p> <p>ii. <b>Motion made and approved by Subcommittee for the approval of a RN refresher course in the District that consists of min. 80 hours didactic/lab and 80 hours clinical to include the following curriculum:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Communication Skills</li> <li>b. Ethical and Legal issues of practice</li> <li>c. Assessment</li> <li>d. Pharmacology and drug administration/Medication reconciliation</li> <li>e. Alterations in body systems across the life span</li> <li>f. Delegation, Assigning and Supervising (RN)</li> <li>g. Assigning and Supervising (LPN)</li> <li>h. Psychomotor Skills (Assess and determined by the program Not limited to Body Mechanics, Injections, Advanced M/S skills)</li> <li>i. Charting and Reporting</li> <li>j. Patient Teaching</li> <li>k. Patient Management (RN)</li> <li>l. Patient Coordination (LPN)</li> <li>m. Cultural Competence - LGTBQIA</li> <li>n. Health Equity: Social Determinants of Health</li> </ul> <p>i. <b>Decision:</b> Trinity and UDC have been working closely to create this review course. CEUs are not required for first renewal. Vote to approve Motion from Educational Comm. Approved by Unanimous consent.</p> <p>iii. <b>NAP program updates</b></p>	<p><b>Decision</b></p> <p><b>Decision</b></p> <p><b>Informational</b></p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Time for Change-Corrective action plan received</li> <li>b. Immaculate-Corrective action plan received</li> <li>c. OIC -Corrective action plan received</li> <li>d. Innovative – No Corrective action plan received; to be discussed further at Executive Session</li> </ul> <p><b>F. Discipline Subcommittee Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <b>Complaint</b> committee met and will review in Executive Session</li> <li>ii. <b>CEUs</b> will be audited (Due June 30). Fine for noncompliance in CEU’s is \$500. If had not done CEUs in a timely fashion, fine is \$100.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Informational</b></p>
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<b>MISC. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</b>		
<b>OS-22-07-06</b>	<b>OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENTS</b>	<b>Informational</b>
	<p><b>Board Action:</b>            Open the floor to the public.</p> <p><b>Background:</b>            Time permitted the Board Chair will open floor to the public to allow for the following: comments, questions, and/or concerns.</p> <p><b>Comments:</b>  <b>Caitlin Houck</b> from Maryland Home care Association questioned about waivers for Maryland licensed HHA and CNA coming into DC, with an ongoing waiver or workforce. Higher level concern about “global” compact and fiscal implications for the District of Columbia, where most of the Health Care licensed professionals do not live in D.C. There are ongoing taskforces for the increasing of D.C. workforce in Health Care. Matteo Lieb will provide feedback from the Workforce Taskforces. Judy Levy also participates on the Taskforce</p> <p><b>Denise Pope</b> asked for a collaborative meeting between facilities and schools for improvement and communications for clinical placements for DC Nursing Schools. Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Pope and Dr. Walsh will discuss for a collaborative meeting. There are 2 new Deans of Nursing in the D.C. area.</p>	

Public Attendees : Judy Levy, Caitlin Houck, Crystal Scott, Denise Pope

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<p><b>OS-22-07-07</b></p>	<p><b><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></b> <b>Board Action:</b> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b) <b>Background:</b> 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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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);</li> <li>2. Preparation, administration, or grading of scholastic, licensing, or qualifying examinations pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(6);</li> <li>3. To discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to section § 2-575(b)(9);</li> </ol> <p>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). <b>Motion to close:</b> Laverne Plater; Crystal Johnson seconded. Approved by Unanimous consent.</p>	<p><b>Decision</b>  10:37am</p>
<p><b>OS-22-07-08</b></p>	<p><b><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></b> <b>Board Action:</b> To adjourn the meeting. <b>Background:</b> At the end of every meeting a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board. <b>Motion to adjourn:</b> Laverne Plater; Crystal Johnson seconded. Approved by Unanimous consent.</p>	<p><b>Decision</b>  10:38 am</p>

**This ends the Open Session Agenda.**