

# BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

**February 8, 2021**

**9:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**OPEN SESSION**

**MEETING AGENDA**

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<b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</b>	
OS-0208-01	<p><b><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>A. Board Members</b></p> <p><b>B. Board Staff</b></p>
OS-0208-02	<p><b>Board Action:</b> Acceptance of the February 8, 2021 Open Session agenda.</p>

<b>MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS</b>	
OS-0208-03	<b><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></b>
OS-0208-04	<b><u>BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:</u></b>
OS-0208-05	<b><u>BOARD CHAIRS'S REPORT:</u></b>
OS-0208-06	<p><b><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the November 09, 2020 meeting.</p>

<b>DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>	
OS-0208-07	<p><b><u>FY 2021 Board Meeting Dates</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To review the upcoming 2021-2022 Board meeting dates and confirm attendance.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Board of Respiratory Care meets quarterly, the upcoming meeting dates are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• May 10, 2021</li> <li>• July 12, 2021</li> <li>• November 8, 2021</li> <li>• February 14, 2022</li> </ul>

OS-0208-08	<p><b><u>HORA Revisions</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To review the current scope of practice for the Board of Respiratory Care and provide feedback regarding revision/updates.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Board of Respiratory Care’s current Scope of Practice states that:</p> <p>(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:</p> <p>(A) Therapeutic and diagnostic use of medical gases, humidity, and aerosols, including the maintenance of associated apparatus;</p> <p>(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;</p> <p>(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;</p> <p>(D) Testing techniques utilized in respiratory care to assist in diagnosis, monitoring, treatment, and research; and</p> <p>(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-0208-09	<p><b><u>FYI Late Renewals</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To review the late renewal dates for renewal</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The Board of Respiratory Care launchehed ther online renewals November 2020. The renewal portal is still accessible from the Board’s Website until March 31, 2021 <a href="https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/159572">https://dchealth.dc.gov/node/159572</a>. There is an additional fee of \$85.00 for late renewals.</p> <p>All licensees will be able to visit the website and renew their license and upload their continuing education units to the renewal portal. The Board will accept continuing education for the following time period <b>February 1, 2019-January 31, 2021.</b></p>

**CLOSING**

OS-0208-10

**MOTION TO COSE**

**Board Action:**

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

**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.

**This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2021**

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