

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
2201 SHANNON PLACE SE – 2<sup>ND</sup> FL.  
WASHINGTON, DC 20020**

**DATE: JULY 17, 2024  
TIME: 9:00 AM**

**OPEN SESSION  
MEETING AGENDA**

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**Open Session Agenda July 17, 2024**

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	
Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS – Chairperson	
Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS – Vice Chairperson	
Ms. Dianne Smith, ESQ - Consumer Member	
Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS - Board Member	
Brittany Harris-Campbell, RDH, MSDH - Board Member	
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<b>BOARD STAFF:</b>	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	
Rebecca Odrick-Austin, Board Investigator	
Zaneta Batts, Health Licensing Specialist	
Tiffany Johnson, Health Licensing Specialist	
<b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>	
Carla M. Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel	

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<b>CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL</b>	
<b>OS-0717-01</b>	<b>INTRODUCTIONS:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A. Board Members</b></li> <li><b>B. Board Staff</b></li> <li><b>C. Legal Staff</b></li> <li><b>D. Department Staff</b></li> <li><b>E. Public Attendance (Please type your Name and Organization in the Webex chat)</b></li> </ul>
<b>OS-0717-02</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION AGENDA:</b>  <b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Acceptance of the <b>July 17, 2024</b> , meeting agenda.
<b>OS-0717-03</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</b>  <b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the <b>June 12, 2024</b> , meeting and the amended Open Session minutes from the May .
<b>STAFF REPORTS:</b>	
<b>OS-0717-04</b>	<b>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</b>  <b>Mrs. Ericka Walker</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. <u>BOD Calendar</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• January 17, 2024 (Virtual)</li> <li>• February 21, 2024 (Cancelled due to DC Health moving)</li> <li>• March 20, 2024 (Virtual)</li> <li>• April 17, 2024 (Virtual)</li> <li>• May 15, 2024 (Virtual)</li> <li>• June 12, 2024 (<b>In Person &amp; Virtual</b>)</li> <li>• July 17, 2024 (Virtual)</li> <li>• August (Recess)</li> <li>• September 18, 2024 (<b>In Person &amp; Virtual</b>)</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. <u>BOD Census</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dentists (<b>1,160</b>)</li> <li>Dental Hygienists (<b>487</b>)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<p>Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (<b>102</b>)  Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia &amp; Nitrous Oxide (<b>91</b>)  Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide (<b>2</b>)  Dental Assistant Level 1 (<b>160</b>)  Dental Assistant Level 2 (<b>555</b>)  Teaching Licenses for Dentists (<b>3</b>)  Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (<b>0</b>)</p> <p>3. The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) recruits talented and interested individuals from all eight Wards to serve on District Boards. Link to apply to serve on a Board:  <a href="https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seats">https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seats</a></p>																																					
<p><b>OS-0717-05</b></p>	<p><b>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</b>  <b>Ms. Carla Williams</b></p> <p>The following orders have been issued since the last Board meeting:</p>																																					
<p><b>OS-0717-06</b></p>	<p><b>BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT:</b>  <b>Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS</b></p>																																					
<p><b>OS-0717-07</b></p>	<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA:</b></p> <p>The following applications were reviewed by Dr. John Bailey (Chairperson), Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice-Chairperson), or Mrs. Ericka Walker (Executive Director), from <b>June 6, 2024 – July 11, 2024:</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="293 1396 1273 1871"> <thead> <tr> <th>First Name</th> <th>Last Name</th> <th>License Type Name</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Saleela</td><td>Kerdphon</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td></tr> <tr><td>Jimena</td><td>Visurraga</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td></tr> <tr><td>Anzhela</td><td>Jafaroff</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td></tr> <tr><td>Haftom</td><td>Hadera</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td></tr> <tr><td>Jamya</td><td>Williams</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td></tr> <tr><td>Tania</td><td>Torres</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td></tr> <tr><td>April</td><td>Preston</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td></tr> <tr><td>John</td><td>Fleming</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td></tr> <tr><td>Ericka</td><td>Perkins</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td></tr> <tr><td>Estefani</td><td>Henriquez</td><td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td></tr> <tr><td>Emily</td><td>Neurohr</td><td>DENTAL HYGIENIST</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	First Name	Last Name	License Type Name	Saleela	Kerdphon	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Jimena	Visurraga	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Anzhela	Jafaroff	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Haftom	Hadera	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Jamya	Williams	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Tania	Torres	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II	April	Preston	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II	John	Fleming	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II	Ericka	Perkins	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II	Estefani	Henriquez	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II	Emily	Neurohr	DENTAL HYGIENIST	
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Manar	Roy	DENTIST
Median	Abraha	DENTIST
Jasmine	Jones	DENTIST
Jennifer	Tipograph	DENTIST
Sarina	Dodhia	DENTIST
Wayne	Stephens	DENTIST
Birukitawit	Yirefu	DENTIST
Eric	Westergard	DENTIST
Carlos	Braverman	DENTIST
Ayodeji	Awopegba	DENTIST
Shahriar	Shahriari	DENTIST
Sonam	Saxena	DENTIST
Erin	Vaka	DENTIST
Nader	Sidhom	DENTIST
Stacie	Davis	DENTIST
Manouchka	Fleurinord	DENTIST
Ahsan	Khan	DENTIST
Kwame	Asumadu	DENTIST
Alicia	Ason-Ikhena	LOCAL ANESTHESIA AND NITROUS OXIDE
Sampada	Rijal	LOCAL ANESTHESIA AND NITROUS OXIDE
<b><u>BOARD ACTION:</u></b>		
Acceptance of the Consent Agenda.		

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

<b>OS-0717-08</b>	<p><b><u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS</u></b></p> <p><b>Mr. Matteo Lieb</b>, DC Health’s Legislative Affairs Specialist, to provide updates on the following:</p> <p><b>Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA) Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DC Health worked on a significant revision of the HORA. This would be the first significant revision in seventeen years.</li> <li>The revised HORA received Mayoral approval and has been introduced in the Council as the <i>Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023</i> (<a href="#">B25-0545</a>)</li> <li>This legislation received a hearing on <a href="#">December 7th</a>. Over 80 witnesses, many of whom were healthcare professionals, signed up to provide testimony. DC Health’s Associate Director of Health Professional Licensing Boards provided testimony in support and answered questions from the Council.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DC Health has been working on the Committee on Health following that hearing. A mark-up was held on <a href="#">March 21st, 2024</a>. The legislation was passed unanimously by the Committee of the Whole on First Reading on April 2nd and on Second Reading on May 7th. The legislation was signed by the Mayor on May 29th and is now going through Congressional Review. OGR anticipates this will become law by either early August.</li> </ul> <p><b>Dental Specialties Licensure and Scope of Practice Amendment Act of 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Following efforts by the Board of Dentistry, Chairman Mendelson (at the request of Mayor Bowser) introduced the <i>Dental Specialties Licensure and Scope of Practice Amendment Act of 2023</i> (<a href="#">B25-0632</a>) on December 13, 2023.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The bill expands the scope of practice for dentists, including adding the ability to provide immunizations. It establishes a new license for those seeking to practice oral and maxillofacial surgery. Finally, it closes a loophole to ensure non-licensed professionals are not involved in the operations or management of a dental practice.</li> </ul> </li> <li>This bill has since been withdrawn by the Mayor.</li> </ul> <p><b>DC Health Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DC Health will have its Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight hearing in early April. This hearing offers an opportunity for the Committee on Health to review DC Health’s proposed budget for the 2025 Fiscal Year.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You can find information about the proposed Fiscal Year 2025 budget <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>There were two hearings, one on <a href="#">April 10th</a> for public witnesses and one on <a href="#">April 11th</a> for representatives from DC Health. During the hearing, there was discussion around staffing for health professional licensing boards and investments to address healthcare workforce issues.</li> <li>The mark-up for DC Health’s budget in the Committee on Health was held on <a href="#">May 9th</a>. The marked-up FY25 budget was advanced unanimously out of Committee. It then went to the Committee of the Whole where it passed on Final Reading on June 11th. It now undergoing Mayoral Review.</li> </ul> <p><b>Council Recess:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The District of Columbia Council will be on recess starting on July 15th through September 15th.</li> <li>During that time, limited activity can take place by the Council.</li> </ul>
OS-0717-09	<p><b><u>DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><u>Credentials &amp; Audits</u></b>: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton and Dr. John Bailey</li> <li><b><u>Communications</u></b>: Dr. Michelle Latortue</li> <li><b><u>Regulatory Affairs</u></b>: Ms. Dianne Smith and Mrs. Brittany Harris-Campbell</li> </ol>

OS-0717-10	<b><u>WORKFORCE SURVEY RESULTS</u></b> DC Primary Care Office
OS-0717-11	<b><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></b> Please type your name and organization in the chat.

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<b>CLOSING</b>	
<b>OS-0717-11</b>	<p><b><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></b></p> <p>The Board member should move as follows:</p> <p>“Mister Board Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14).”</p>
	<b>ROLL CALL VOTE</b>
	<p>This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.</p>

**This ends the Open Session Agenda**  
**The next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2024**

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