

**THE LOUISIANA STATE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING**

**JANUARY 13, 2014
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, January 13, 2014, by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members present as follows:

Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D., President
Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., Vice-President
Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer
John Michael Burdine, M.D.
Kenneth Barton Farris, M.D.

Board Members absent as follows:

Joseph D. Busby, Jr., M.D.
Cynthia Gail Montgomery, M.D.

The following members of the Board's staff were present:

Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Executive Director
Emily Diane Eisenhauer, M.D., Assistant Director of Investigations
Thania Elliott, RN, Investigator
Grace Hammons, Administrative Manager
Christine Holder, Administrative Program Specialist A
Lilly Rodgers, Administrative Program Specialist A
Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure
Rita L. Arceneaux, Executive Assistant

Legal counsel to the Board was present as follows:

Judge Frederick S. Ellis
Philip O. Bergeron

- 1. Minutes of December 9, 2013 Meeting.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting held December 9, 2013. On the motion of Dr. Farris duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the minutes of the meetings with all necessary corrections.
- 2. Status Report on Action Items of Prior Board Meetings; Report on Assignments to Counsel.** The Board noted the action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings.
- 3. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Utilization of Nurse Practitioners in Acute Care Hospital Setting.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Christopher Foret, M.D., Chief of Medical Staff, Riverside Medical Center, seeking an advisory opinion on the utilization of nurse practitioners in an acute care hospital setting. Dr. Foret asked for the position of the Board in reference to allowing nurse practitioners the ability to admit, round and discharge patients in agreement with a collaborating physician. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to have staff draft a response to the effect that it did not perceive the scope of practice for collaboration between a nurse practitioner and the supervising physician to include hospital admission or discharge of a patient on the order of the nurse practitioner.
- 4. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Henry S. Carter, M.D., Supervision of Mid-Level Providers.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Henry S. Carter, M.D., Medical Director, asking for the Board's rules and regulations relative to physician supervision of mid-level providers, i.e., advanced practice registered nurses ("APRN"). Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to provide Dr. Carter with a copy of the law as well as the rules promulgated by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing governing the practice of APRNs who collaborate with physicians and inform him that the Board is contemplating adopting rules for physicians who collaborate with APRNs.
- 5. Communication and Information; Louisiana Physical Therapy Board.** The Board reviewed the reply received from Cheryl Gaudin, Executive Director, Louisiana Physical Therapy Board ("PT"), relative to the PT Board's rules § 311, Treatment of Dry Needling and § 315, Legend and Drug Devices. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized entering into a rule-making effort performing dry needling and soliciting an opinion from the Attorney General of the state of Louisiana on the performance of dry needling and thereby approved the following resolution:

It is hereby resolved by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners that, Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Executive Director, is hereby authorized, on behalf of and in the name of the Board, to solicit an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General on the performance of dry needling by Physical Therapists.

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6. Communication and Information; *In the News*. The Board reviewed a statement for inclusion on the website for *In the News* section relating to Dry Needling. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly authorized and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized the *In the News* statement on Dry Needling for inclusion on the website.

7. Communication and Information; Louisiana State Medical Society; Request of Statement of Position, Bio-Identical Hormone Replacement Therapy. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Vincent A. Culotta, Jr., M.D., President, Louisiana State Medical Society, asking the Board to consider issuing a Statement of Position (“SOP”) on Bio-Identical Hormone Replacement Therapy. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to advise Dr. Culotta that the Board will begin working on the development of a SOP.

8. Communication and Information; Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists. The Board noted receipt of correspondence received from Rita R. Culross, Ph.D., Chair, Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, informing the Board of the creation of a licensure category for Licensed Specialists in School Psychology. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

9. Communication and Information; Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care. The Board reviewed correspondence received from Louisiana Society for Respiratory Care informing the Board that they are in support of the passage of HR 2619, the Medicare Respiratory Therapist Access Act. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

10. General Administrative Matters; Personal Appearance; Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners (“LSRTBE”); Kenneth Jones, M.Ed., RT, (R), Executive Director; Edward Bluth, M.D., FACR, Second Vice Chair. As requested as the last meeting, Kenneth Jones, M.Ed., RT (R), Executive Director accompanied by Edward Bluth, M.D., FACR, Second Vice Chair, Louisiana State Radiologic Technology Board of Examiners, appeared before the Board to discuss the development of licensure category of radiologist assistant. The discussion included draft changes to the Louisiana Radiologic Technologist Law which proposed to add radiologist assistants that are advanced practicing radiographers. Following their dismissal it was the consensus of the Board to forward to the LSRTBE the Board’s proposed changes to their draft law.

11. General Administrative Matters; Louisiana Board of Chiropractic Examiners; Proposed Rules; Dry Needling. The Board reviewed a copy of correspondence mailed to the Chairmen of the Committee on Health and Welfare requesting a legislative oversight hearing respecting the Louisiana State Board of Chiropractic Examiners’ proposed rules on dry needling. Following review and discussion, on the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized entering into a rule-making effort on the performance of dry needling and soliciting an opinion from the Attorney General of the state of Louisiana and thereby approved the following resolution:

It is hereby resolved by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners that, Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Executive Director, is hereby authorized, on behalf of and in the name of the Board, to solicit an opinion from the Louisiana Attorney General on the performance of dry needling by chiropractors.

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12. General Administrative Matters; Personal Appearance; Staci B. deLeon, BSMT (ASCP); Department of Health and Hospital; Moderate Complexity Testing. Staci B. deLeon, BSMT (ASCP), Department of Health and Hospitals, appeared before the Board to discuss CLIA requirements for moderate complexity testing. Mrs. deLeon, who is in charge of the inspections of laboratories in the state, discussed the role of DHH with respect to the enforcement of CLIA regulations. She informed the Board of the educational requirements for those performing moderation complexity testing, including the laboratory and medical director.

13. General Administrative Matters; President's Report. The Board received the report of its President on his activities since the last meeting of the Board.

14. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report. The Board received the report of its Executive Director on her activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Mouton reported on follow-up items with respect to the website and the advisory committees. She also reported on the development of a midwifery form on fetal demise mailed to licensed midwives in the state. A response from all midwives is due by January 31, 2014.

15. General Administrative Matters; Athletic Trainers. The Board reviewed the proposed changes to the Athletic Trainers' Law. No further action was required or taken on this matter at this time.

16. General Administrative Matters; Financial Reports.

a. Financial Statement- The Board reviewed a statement on the revenue and expenses for the period ending October 31, 2013 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments as of October 31, 2013. The Board also reviewed a balance sheet and income statement for Clinical Laboratory Personnel for the period ending October 31, 2013 and approved all expenditures as noted therein. The Board also reviewed the status of investments for Clinical Laboratory Personnel as of October 31, 2013.

b. Travel Expenses. Motion was made by Dr. Dawson, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote authorizing the Executive Director to approve routine and special travel for Board Members, Board staff, Board consultants and legal counsel for calendar year 2014, including but not limited to the following:

- 1) Travel expenses in connection with attendance at all Board meetings and Board Committee meetings.

- 2) Travel expenses in connection with appearances at appropriate private or state entities on behalf of or to represent the Board.
- 3) Travel expenses in connection with investigations conducted by the Board, to include travel expenses of witnesses.
- 4) Travel expenses in connection with any court or deposition appearance for the purpose of providing testimony on behalf of the Board.
- 5) Travel expenses for attending the annual meetings of the Louisiana State Medical Society and the Louisiana State Medical Association, with payment of per diem for any member giving an annual report to said organizations.
- 6) Travel expenses in connection with meetings of the following national organizations and any committee thereof on which a member of the Board or a member of the Board's staff serves on behalf of the Board, for including, but not limited to the Federation of State Medical Boards, Administrators in Medicine and National Board of Medical Examiners, and authorized meetings for educational purposes.

17. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards; Uniform Application. The Board viewed a PowerPoint presentation presented remotely by Ingo Hagemann, MBA, Director Uniform Application on the implementation of the Uniform Application for state medical boards. Following the presentation, the Board deferred action on usage of the Uniform Application pending receipt of additional information relating to the effect on revenue.

18. Rules and Regulations.

a. Final Rules/Amendments: Occupational Therapy: The Board received a request to consider alternatives to the limit on the number of examination attempts currently permitted by its rules for licensure as an occupational therapist. Following discussion, the Board requested that a draft be prepared for its review. A draft was presented for initial Board consideration at the December 2012 meeting. The Board further considered the issue at its January and February 2013 meetings and requested a revised draft be returned to the March 2013 meeting. Following further review and discussion at the March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the amendments. Such *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. No comments were received during the comment period. The amendments were adopted upon promulgation in the December 20, 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. Physicians and Surgeons – Dispensing: During its February 2013 meeting, the Board gave further consideration to a request to provide for a dispensing registration for non-controlled substances following a physician's successful completion of a graduate medical education training program and passage of an online or other Board offered

course on its dispensing rules. Following review and discussion of a draft amendment to Section .6513 of its dispensing rules at its March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendment. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August edition of the *Louisiana Register*. No comments were received during the comment period. The amendments became effective upon promulgation in the December 20, 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons – Out of State Physician Orders:** Pursuant to Act 44 of the 2011 session of the Louisiana Legislature, rules are being developed to accommodate out-of-state physicians (those licensed in any state other than Louisiana) who order routine diagnostic testing for established patients in this state, provided: the physician-patient relationship was initiated through an in-person, face-to-face visit with the physician in another state; the order can be verified; and the results of all testing are provided directly to the ordering out-of-state physician. The Board considered and discussed an initial draft of the proposed rules at its December 2012 meeting. Following review, several modifications were made and incorporated in a subsequent draft reviewed by the Board at its January 2013 meeting. Following review and discussion at the March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. The *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. No comments were received during the comment period. The rule were adopted upon promulgation in the December 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons – Licensure:** The Board expressed a desire to consider alternatives to the requirement for passage of the SPEX/CONVEX-USA for those who had taken and passed a written medical competence examination more than 10 years prior to the date of application. A draft was considered by the Board at its December 2012 meeting. Following review and discussion of various options at its January and February 2013 meetings, the Board made additional recommendations. Following review and discussion of a revised draft incorporating the suggested changes at the March 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. Such *Notice of Intent* appeared in the August 20, 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. One comment was received during the comment period and was considered by the Board during its September 2013 meeting. The Board's response to the comment was included in the Legislative Report. The rule amendments were adopted upon promulgation in the December 20, 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **Polysomnography** - The Board received a proposed draft of new rules for polysomnographers from its Advisory Committee on Polysomnography. Following modification, a revised draft was presented to the Advisory Committee for review and comment. The draft was approved, with suggested modifications, during the Committee's meeting on September 16, 2011. During its October 2011 meeting, the proposed rules were presented to the Board along with the Committee's suggestions for initial review and discussion. Following discussion, the Board proposed certain modifications to the draft and asked that a revised draft be presented at its next meeting. The Board subsequently received from two national organizations nearly the identical suggestions as those of the Committee's. Following review and discussion at its December 2011 meeting, the Board approved a response to the committee and organizations, along with a revised draft of

the rules that incorporated the suggestions of its staff as well as the committee and organizations to the extent the Board found them acceptable and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments. Following changes to the law during the 2012 session of the Legislature and the input of the Polysomnography Advisory Committee, the Board reviewed a revised draft of rules for consideration during its April and May 2013 meetings. During the June 2013, the Board noted that the Respiratory Therapy Advisory Committee had no objection to the draft rules in that an exemption had been carved out for licensed respiratory therapists. The Board reviewed the current draft of the proposed rules at its July 2013 meeting and voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules. Said *Notice of Intent* appeared in the September 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. One comment was received during the comment period and was considered by the Board during its October 2013 meeting. The Board's response to the comment was included in the Legislative Report. Given that the time for an oversight hearing as passed, the amendments were adopted upon promulgation in the December 20, 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

Physicians and Surgeons- Collaborative Drug Therapy Management ("CDTM"): During the August 2012 meeting, the Board discussed the concept of certain potential amendments to the existing rules which were jointly promulgated with the Board of Pharmacy in 2007. Following review and discussion, the Board expressed a willingness to consider a draft of the proposed amendments in due course. Following discussions with a representative from the Board of Pharmacy, a draft detailing proposed amendments to the CDTM rules was submitted to the Board for consideration at its April 2013 meeting. During its May 2013 meeting, further review and discussion took place and it was the consensus of the Board to seek input from the Louisiana State Medical Society ("LSMS"). During the June 2013 meeting, the Board reviewed the comments offered by the LSMS on the proposed rules. Following review and discussion of a revised draft during its July 2013 meeting, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the *Louisiana Register*. Said *Notice of Intent* appeared in the September 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. No comments were received during the comment period. The amendments were adopted upon promulgation in the December 2013 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

b. **Rules/Amendments – Noticed of Intent** - None published since the last meeting of the Board.

c. **Rules/Amendments Under Development:** **Perfusionist:** The Perfusion Advisory Committee prepared an initial draft of rules for this category of allied health care professionals. A revised draft was received and studied. Following a number of revisions to conform the rules to the law and rule format and reviewed by staff, a revised draft was forwarded to the Committee's Chair for initial review and/or consideration. A draft of the rules was presented for initial review and consideration by the Board at the September 2013 meeting. A revised draft was reviewed at its October meeting and upon the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the next issue of the *Louisiana Register*. It is anticipated that such Notice will appear in the February 2014 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. **Physicians and Surgeons – Office-Based Surgery:** The Board considered suggestions for amendment to its office-based surgery rules. A revised draft

incorporating the suggested changes was considered by the Board, and following review, discussion and further suggestions, the Board voted to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the proposed rules in the *Louisiana Register*. Prior to publication, staff suggested additional changes relative to the performance of office-based procedures using moderate or conscious sedation. Pursuant to the Board's instructions, a revised draft was presented for consideration at its December 2013 meeting. **Midwifery:** Given changes to the Louisiana Midwifery Practice Act during the 2012 session of the Legislature, staff anticipates presenting revisions to its existing rules in due course for the Board's consideration and discussion. **Physicians and Surgeons – Unprofessional Conduct:** During its April 2013 meeting, the Board expressed a desire to consider the development of rules correlating a physician representing himself/herself as a specialist in a particular field of practice without appropriate formal training in that field. Pursuant to the Board's directions, a draft was submitted for initial review and discussion at its August and September 2013 meeting. The draft also includes a prohibition against physician prescribing of controlled substances to one's self or immediate family members in the absence of an emergency. At its October 2013 meeting, the Board decided to defer that part of the proposed rule dealing with self-prescribing and to provide *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rules. **Physicians and Surgeons – Collaborating Physicians:** The Board expressed a desire to consider the development of rules relative to physicians who collaborate with advanced practice registered nurses. A draft was prepared by staff for initial consideration at its October 2013 meeting. A revised draft incorporating comments and suggestions was considered by the Board at its December 2013 meeting. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to preview the draft to several professional organizations (the Louisiana State Medical Society, the Louisiana Medical Association and the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians) and the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

[19.] Minutes of December 9, 2013 Executive Sessions. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to review the minutes of its executive sessions conducted during the meeting of December 9, 2013. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and on the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, approved the minutes of the executive sessions conducted during its meeting of December 9, 2013 with all necessary corrections.

[20.] Report on Pending Litigation. On the motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of legal counsel on pending litigation to which the Board was a party and the status of proceedings for judicial review of prior Board decisions, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:17A(2). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[21.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar. Continuing in executive session, the Board reviewed the calendar of personal appearances and docketed hearings, as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. 42:17 A(1), (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[22.] Investigative Reports. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Farris, the Board convened in executive session, to consider the investigative reports as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee, and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). Following review and discussion the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following:

- a. Administrative Complaint: The following Supplemental Administrative Complaint was accepted

10-I-980

- b. Consent Orders: The following Consent Orders were accepted:

Syrita Rashida Steib-Martin, CLP, Docket No., 13-I-1206

Scott Mitchell Sondes, M.D., Docket No., 11-I-060

- c. Closed/Dismissed with Letters of Concern: The following matters were closed/dismissed with a Letter of Concern:

Docket No., 13-I-1068

Docket No., 12-I-048

- d. Closed/Dismissed: The following matter was closed/dismissed:

Docket No., 13-I-798

- e. Cease and Desist: The Board reviewed follow-up information regarding the following matter:

Docket No., 13-I-1123

- f. Closed Complaint Cases: The Board reviewed the Closed Complaint Cases Report.

- g. Interim Actions: The Board approved the Interim Actions that had been handled by the President:

Docket No., 13-I-1276

Docket No., 13-I-498

[23.] Professional Liability Report. On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the report of Dr. Eisenhower, on professional liability cases reviewed since the last

meeting of the Board as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of a licensee and allegations of misconduct, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:17A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

[24.] General Disciplinary Matters. On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa, the Board convened in executive session to consider the requests relating to the execution or modification of a Decision and/or Consent Order as matters relating to the character and professional conduct of licensees, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §42:17A(1) and (4). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made and passed by unanimous voice vote, took the following actions:

- a. Feinberg, Jill Jane, M.D. – To approve the request of Jill Jane Feinberg, M.D., for full, reinstatement of her license to a full, unrestricted status, noting that the American Board of Family Medicine, Inc., considered her stipulation to refrain from the treatment of patients for chronic pain or obesity as a restriction remaining on her license. In connection with the view expressed by the American Board of Family Practice, Inc., upon the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board authorized placing a resolution before the Federation of State Medical Boards to study the impact of state Board orders on Board certification offered by the member Boards of the American Board of Medical Specialties.
- b. Isaacs, Larry Mitchell, M.D. – To review the follow-up information presented in the matter of Larry Mitchell Isaacs, M.D.
- c. Dawson, Robert Earl, M.D. – To deny the request of Robert Earl Dawson, M.D., for modification of the terms of his Consent Order.

[25.] Physicians Health Program. On the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to receive the report of Louis Cataldie, M.D., Medical Director, Physicians' Health Foundation ("PHP") on the participant in the Physicians' Health Program who were either appearing before the Board or had matters before the Board for review and discussion, as matters relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La .Rev. Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). No further action was required or taken on this matter.

[26.] General Administrative Matters; Personal Appearance; James Alfred Chiverton, M.D. On the motion of Dr. Dawson, duly seconded by Dr. Farris and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session, for the personal appearance of James Alfred Chiverton, M.D., as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct and allegations of misconduct of a licensee, La .Rev. Stat.§ 42:17A(1) and (4). Dr. Chiverton appeared before the Board in connection with his request for reinstatement of his license on probation. Following his dismissal, the Board resumed in open session and on the motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved reinstatement of the license of James

Alfred Chiverton, M.D., on probation in accordance with the terms of the Consent Order executed October 21, 2013.

[27.] Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel. Upon the motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competency, or physical or mental health of an applicant pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements has been met:

Laboratory Assistants

Taylor, Britttish R.

Wall, Mauryia A.

Phlebotomists

Giron, Dezenia Paola
Solet, Nicole Marie

Wimprine, Francesca B.

Generalist

Willis, William L.

[28.] Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine application for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all other requirements had been met:

Occupational Therapist

Smith, Christie Michelle

[29.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians and Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates. On motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Burdine and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

a. Chadha, Meghan, M.D. –To approve the request of Meghan Chadha, M.D., for a waiver of the three years of ACGME postgraduate training in accordance with §315 of the Board’s rules inasmuch as he has been appointed Associate Professor of Clinical Radiology, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Shreveport.

b. Approved – To approve the following for non-routine applicants for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Kovacev, Ted Armstrong

Velusamy, Muthusamy

[30.] Licensure and Certification; Physicians and Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates. On motion of Dr. Amusa, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for licensure as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La.Rev.Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

a. Deferred – To defer action on the application of the following pending receipt of additional information:

Dajani, Hatem Marwan, M.D.

b. Approved – To approve the following non-routine applicants for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Fugate, Toby Lynn, D.O.
Helmstetter, Brian Michael
Lee, Michael Kim

Lu, Kang
Neary, John P.
Roy, William J., Jr.

[31.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report. On motion of Dr. Burdine, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to review the report of Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Investigating Officer, on the applicants for licensure with fingerprint discrepancies as a matter of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Landry, Mary T.

Occupational Therapy Assistant

Harris, Carol N.

[32.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Reinstatement/Relicensure.

On motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Dawson and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the non-routine applications for relicensure/reinstatement as a matter relating to the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved reinstatement of the following provided all other requirements had been met:

Setser, Bradley Scott

Singh, Krishna Anjali

[33.] Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Clinical Exercise Physiologist.

On motion of Dr. Farris, duly seconded by Dr. Amusa and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board convened in executive session to consider the application for reinstatement of a clinical exercise physiologist as a matter relating to the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an applicant, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. 42:17A(1). Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session, and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, denied the request for reinstatement of the following due to non-passage of the certification examination required for licensure.

Streeter, Susan Shulman

34. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Licensees for Suspension.

The Board reviewed the list of licensees, who had failed to renew their licenses by November 30, 2013. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

35. Next Meeting of Board. The President reminded the members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for February 10, 11, 2014.

Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, January 13, 2014.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct account of the proceedings of the meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, save for executive session of the Board conducted therein, held on January 13, 2014 as approved by the Board on the 10th day of February, 2014.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 10th day of February, 2014.

Kweli J. Amusa, M.D.
Secretary-Treasurer

Attest:

Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.
President