



Arizona Medical Board

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NOTICE & AGENDA FOR REGULAR SESSION MEETING Scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, December 13, 2024 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room A • Phoenix, Arizona

Notice is hereby given to the general public and to the members of the Arizona Medical Board (Board), that the Board will hold a regular meeting open to the public at the Board's offices located at **1740 W. Adams St., Suite 4000, Phoenix, Arizona**. A.R.S. § 38-431.02. The Board, upon a majority vote of a quorum of the members, may hold an *Executive Session* on any of the listed agenda items to obtain legal advice. A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3). The Board may vote to go into *Executive Session* to discuss and consider records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is confidential by State or Federal law on agenda items I through R pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for matters set for a specific time. The formal interviews are scheduled to be heard during specific time blocks. However, the Chairman of the Board reserves the right to call cases in random order. Please note that the recommendations listed on the agenda are merely suggested Board actions. These recommendations do not become final until adopted by the Board. The Board has the authority to accept, reject or modify any recommendation listed on the agenda.

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THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM

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GENERAL BUSINESS

A. CALL TO ORDER – 8:00 a.m.

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

B. ROLL CALL

Lois E. Krahn, M.D., Secretary

C. PUBLIC STATEMENTS REGARDING MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA – 8:00 a.m.

This item will be limited to items on the agenda. Those wishing to address the Board need not request permission in advance; however, the Board may limit the number of speakers to three (3) per side on any one agenda item.

D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director

- Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Proposed Legislation Impacting Publication of Advisory Letters
- Review, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Proposed Legislation for Psychologist's Prescribing Authority
- Update on Policy Regarding Late Submissions to the Board

E. CHAIR'S REPORT

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

- This item has been pulled from the agenda.
- Acknowledgement of Service for Ms. Pamela Jones
- Appointment of New Administrative Joint Legislation and Rules Committee Member

F. LEGAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

Carrie Smith, Assistant Attorney General

G. UPDATE REGARDING THE DECEMBER 4, 2024 ADMINISTRATIVE JOINT LEGISLATION AND RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

Jodi Bain, M.A., J.D., LL.M.

H. DISCUSSION REGARDING DEBRIEFING ON BOARD PROCESSES

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- November 6, 2024 Special Teleconference Meeting, including Executive Session

LEGAL MATTERS

The Board may vote to go into executive session to discuss and consider records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is confidential by State or Federal law on the following agenda item(s) pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

J. RESCIND REFERRAL TO FORMAL HEARING AND ACCEPT PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENT (Scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m.)

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-23-0466A, SCOTT W. SMITH, M.D., LIC. #64679
2. MD-23-0731A, EHAB F. ABDALAH, M.D., LIC. #36239

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda items may be considered for approval as a single action unless a Board member wishes to remove an item for discussion.

K. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR DISMISSAL

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-23-0355A, TIMOTHY P. BAKER, M.D., LIC. #20390
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Haas

L. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-23-1041A, HOWARD FRANCOIS, M.D., LIC. #41754
Staff: Ms. Hart
2. MD-23-1148A, THOMAS T. CHEN, M.D., LIC. #32325
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. Haas
3. MD-24-0398A, AMIR HEDAYATI, M.D., LIC. #35134
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Sucher
4. MD-24-0571A, JONATHAN E. REITZENSTEIN, M.D., LIC. #72237
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
5. MD-23-0950A, RAYMOND R. VALDIVIA, M.D., LIC. #22654
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
6. MD-23-0935B, JHA'NAE B. STOFFER, M.D., LIC. #47608
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. Sucher
7. MD-22-0950A, RACHEL E. SWART, M.D., LIC. #36169
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. Sucher
8. MD-23-0849A, DANIEL J. MULLEN, M.D., LIC. #30294
Staff: Ms. Rivera
9. THIS CASE HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.
10. MD-23-1196A, SHEPHERD G. PRYOR, M.D., LIC. #33720
Staff: Ms. Colvin, Dr. Ashby
11. MD-23-0265A, DENNIS R. SCRIBNER, JR., M.D., LIC. #43295
Staff: Ms. Hernandez, Dr. Ashby
12. MD-23-1008A, KOSTAS J. ECONOMOPOULOS, M.D., LIC. #43879
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. Sucher
13. MD-22-0867A, JAMES S. FORAGE, M.D., LIC. #29906
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Sucher
14. MD-23-0587A, LIGE M. KAPLAN, M.D., LIC. #57750
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. Sucher
15. MD-24-0102A, JAY H. DONOHOO II, M.D., LIC. #50627
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Ashby
16. MD-24-0302A, ROBERT J. JOHNSTON, M.D., LIC. #59984
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Ashby
17. MD-24-1066A, LESINE M. HEBETS, M.D., LIC. #24414
Staff: Ms. Cisneros

M. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS WITH NON-DISCIPLINARY CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ORDERS

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-24-0066A, LEONARDO C. MENDOZA, M.D., LIC. #35869
Staff: Ms. Rivera
2. MD-24-0378A, DIETRICH W. L. SCHULTZE, M.D., LIC. #49979
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Haas
3. MD-23-0757A, MICHELE C. DE VITO, M.D., LIC. # 24464

Staff: Ms. Hernandez, Dr. Sucher

4. MD-22-0997A, JEFF C. HOEHNER, M.D., LIC. #46508
Staff: Ms. Hernandez, Dr. Sucher
5. THIS CASE HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.
6. MD-23-0878A, JOHN A. SORTEBERG, M.D., LIC. #29032
Staff: Ms. Hart
7. MD-23-0694A, AMMAR ALSHEIKH, M.D., LIC. #34235
Staff: Ms. Shepherd, Dr. Haas

N. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISMISSALS

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-23-1254A, BIREN G. PATEL, M.D., LIC. #26753
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. Deschamps
2. MD-23-1212A, ANDERSON A. BAUER, M.D., LIC. #46060
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. Coffey
3. MD-23-0797A, TODD A. KILE, M.D., LIC. #21660
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. McClain
4. MD-23-1010A, PAUL R. INGRAHAM, M.D., LIC. #17747
Staff: Ms. Smith, Dr. Coffey
5. MD-23-0076A, JOSE A. MENENDEZ, M.D., LIC. #35922
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. McClain
6. MD-23-1285A, ROBERT M. CERCEK, M.D., LIC. #41492
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. McClain
7. MD-24-0146A, MICHAEL D. MCKEE, M.D., LIC. #53490
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Deschamps

O. PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENTS (Disciplinary)

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-22-0883A, FIRAS MARAYATI, M.D., LIC. #37014
Staff: Ms. Downey

P. APPROVAL OF DRAFT FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

1. MD-23-0446A, ISMAEL I. GUERRERO, M.D., LIC. #21545
Legal Advisor: Carrie Smith, AAG
2. MD-21-0984A, MD-22-0694A, WILLIAM J. JACOBSEN, M.D., LIC. #21620
Legal Advisor: Carrie Smith, AAG

Q. LICENSE APPLICATIONS

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following applications.

i. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION, OR TAKE OTHER ACTION

1. MD-24-0320A, MAURICE B. POTTS, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
2. MD-24-1016A, RICHARD D. REYNOLDS, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
3. MD-24-0705A, ROBERT W. BENSON, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
4. MD-24-0515A, SEAN C. CHANG, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd

5. MD-24-0447A, DONOVAN W. CHRISTIE, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
6. MD-24-0964A, MOHAMMED M. HOQUE, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
7. MD-24-0679A, MICHAEL R. MENACHOF, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
8. MD-24-1133A, PAUL-MARIE BRISSON, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Shepherd
9. MD-24-0658A, GINARD I. HENRY, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Hart

ii. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICANT'S REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENT

1. MABLE S. JONES, M.D., LIC. #N/A
Staff: Ms. Ahmetovic
2. CURTIS B. SCHWARTZ, M.D., LIC. #N/A
Staff: Ms. Quinonez

iii. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LICENSE APPLICATION AND RECOMMENDED ADVISORY LETTER

1. MD-24-1029A, LINDELL Y. COLLINS, M.D., LIC. #N/A
Staff: Ms. Hart

iv. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION WITH DETERMINATION ON EQUIVALENCY

1. RAJAA M. ALMESTADY, M.D., LIC. #N/A
Staff: Ms. Callon

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

OTHER BUSINESS

R. REQUEST FOR TERMINATION OF BOARD ORDER

The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).

1. MD-20-0821A, JENNIFER IACOVELLI, M.D., LIC. #36705
Staff: Ms. DesMarais
2. THIS CASE HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.
3. MD-23-0303A, MATTHEW J. HUMMEL, M.D., LIC. #27179
Staff: Ms. Fairbourn

S. GENERAL CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Those wishing to address the Board need not request permission in advance; however, the Board may limit those persons speaking during the "General Call to the Public" at three (3) per side on any one issue. A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H). The Board can only take action on matters listed on the agenda and other matters related thereto. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(H). If appropriate, actions on public comment matters that are not listed on the agenda will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or schedule the matter for further discussion at a later date. A.R.S. § 38-4301.01(H).

T. ADJOURNMENT



Patricia E. McSorley
Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director