# Board of Registration of Allied Health Professionals 1000 Washington Street, Boston MA 02118 PUBLIC MINUTES

**Date:** January 26, 2017

Location: Room 1D

**Time:** 10:00 AM

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

James "Zack" Zachazewski, AT, Chair Annette Iglarsh, PT Thomas Darisse, OTA Chrys Peralta, OT Jay Bernasconi, PT, Secretary Stacy Potvin, PTA Jamie L. Musler, AT, Vice-Chair Lisa Ayles, AT Nancy Lowenstein, OT

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Kelley, Board Counsel Colleen Cavanaugh, Assoc Exec Dir Sonia Jordan, Board Administrator Anne Driscoll, Investigator Ellen D'Agostino, Investigator

## 10:00AM - Housekeeping

- Meeting Called to order
- Facility Briefing (fire drill instructions) + Location of Exits and Restroom-Colleen Cavanaugh

#### 10:05 AM - Board Business

Approve Public and Executive Minutes for December

ACTION: Motion by Stacy Potvin to approve December Public and Executive minutes without edits; second by Annette Iglarsh. All in favor.

### 10:12 AM- Report from Board Counsel, Peter Kelley

DISCUSSION: Continuing competency draft regulations and an FAQ for current changes to regulations will be presented at the next meeting. All regulations, including facility, will be subject to current stay and would be indeterminately promulgated.

10:20 AM- James Zachazewski moves to enter Executive Session; second by Stacy Potvin pursuant to G. L. c. 30A, §21(a)(7) to comply with the governmental attorney-client privilege recognized in Suffolk Const. Co. v. Div. of Cap. Asset Mgmt., 449 Mass. 444, 451 (2007). Following a roll call vote, all in favor, the motion passed.

At the end of Executive Session the open meeting resumes.

### 10:35 AM – Application Review

Prasanna Kobbu

DISCUSSION: Annette Iglarsh, with assist of Peter Kelley, presents a case regarding a type 1 certification for a prospective foreign-trained PT license applicant who also possesses a Texas License.

ACTION: Annette Iglarsh motions to allow license process to proceed; Chrys Peralta seconds; motion passed by unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION: Peter Kelley seeks clarification so as to foreign credential review standard.

ACTION: Motion by Annette Iglarsh that FCCPT's foreign credential review is the required standard of review for foreign educated applicants; Stacy Potvin seconds; All in favor. .

### 10:45 AM – Correspondence:

• Email from Tanja Argirovska-Herbert dated 12/23/16 regarding PT/INRs and Coumadin dosing management.

DISCUSSION: emailer is present and invited to speak to the Board regarding PT scope of practice question in attaining INR's and evaluation of coumadin dosing implications.

ACTION: Motion by Jay Bernasconi that as the email is presented, the methodology proposed is not in scope of PT practice; Stacy Potvin seconds; All in favor.

• Email from Stacey Kjeldgaard dated 12/29/16 regarding EBAS computerized exam

ACTION: Read and filed

• Email from Alissa Gallaher dated 1/5/17 regarding OT group note documentation

ACTION: Board requests staff to inform emailer in regards to her questions; 1) you cannot document what you have not seen and cannot verify; 2) what is covered as a billable item is beyond the perview of the Board 3) No

• Email from John Simbajon dated 1/11/17 regarding a formal review for a PT plan of care ACTION: The Board requests staff to inform the emailer that a formal review of the plan of care must be performed by the physical therapist and signed by the physical therapist.

11:35AM- Motion by Lisa Ayles to enter closed session with second by Jamie Musler; passed by unanimous vote. [Closed Session to conduct investigatory conferences pursuant to G.L. c. 112, §65C]:

While in closed session, Nancy Lowenstein moves to accept consent calendar; Chrys Peralta seconds; All in favor.

Lisa Ayles moves to exit closed session. Second by Annette Iglarsh; All in favor.

## 11:38AM: New Business:

Jay Bernasconi asks for Board permission to make inquiries of other state jurisdictions as to what alternative ethics remediation may be utilized and/or deemed more effective than customary CEU coursework. Permission granted.

<u>11:45 PM</u> Motion to adjourn by Chrys Peralta with second by Annette Iglarsh; approved by unanimous vote. Adjourn: 11:45 AM

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Bernasconi, PT

Secretary