

Board of Registration in Midwifery
General Session Minutes
Meeting by Phone/Video Conference
DATE: June 18, 2026 TIME: 10:00 am

**A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Midwifery (“the Board”)
was held via Webex**

Board Members Present by Phone/Video:

Kristin Brennan, Secretary
Zev Colsen
Nicole Pegher
Susan Hernandez
Tejumola Adegoke
Anna Whelan
Jessica Petrone

DPH Staff Present:

Diane Barry, Board Counsel
Thomas Burke, Executive Director
Margaret McKenna, Program Coordinator

Board Members Not Present by Phone/Video:

Rebecca Herman, Chair
April Funches

Administrative Tasks:

- Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call Vote for attendance

Board Secretary, Kristin Brennan, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. The secretary established quorum via calling attendance: Zev Colsen, Tejumola Adegoke, Nicole Pegher, Jessica Petrone, Susan Hernandez, Anna Whelan and Kristin Brennan. All members participated remotely via Webex by Cisco.

Board Business:

- Review and approve general session agenda for June 18, 2026 – VOTE

Zev Colsen moved to approve the June 18, 2026 general session agenda. Anna Whelan seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “not present”; Tejumola Adegoke – “yes”; April Funches – “not present”.

- Review and approve general session minutes for May 21, 2026 – VOTE

Jessica Petrone moved to approve the May 21, 2026 general session minutes. Anna Whelan seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “not present”; Tejumola Adegoke – “yes”; April Funches – “not present”.

- Board counsel report

Counsel reviewed board-recommended amendments to the emergency transfer forms for client and newborn. She will provide revised guidance at the subsequent board meeting. Counsel reported that when the public hearing comment review topic is discussed at a subsequent board meeting, board members will review both written and oral testimony according to the issues and concerns raised at the public hearing.

Board Discussion:

- Required policy items
 - Draft emergency Transfer of Newborn or Client – VOTE Possible
 - Review Mass Midwives Alliance Transfer Guidelines

Anna Whelan left the meeting at 11:04 a.m.

Board members discussed and edited transfer forms for newborn and client and directed board staff to present revised guidance and forms at the subsequent meeting.

- Review adopted formulary

The Board reviewed and edited the adopted formulary for medications that temporary licensed professional midwives may prescribe. Board members discussed additional educational requirements and competencies that should be included in future guidance documents. No vote was taken.

Anna Whelan rejoined the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

- Policies – TIME PERMITTING
 - 15-01 Delegation of Authority for Staff Actions Relative to Monitoring Licensure Conditions

Following discussion, Nicole Pegher moved to adopt policy 15-01 Delegation of Authority for Staff Actions Relative to Monitoring Licensure Conditions. Susan Hernandez seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “not present”; Tejumola Adegoke – “yes”; April Funches – “not present”.

- Policy 14-001 Valor Act Implementation

Following discussion, Anna Whelan moved to adopt policy 14-001 Valor Act Implementation. Kristin Brennan seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “not present”; Tejumola Adegoke – “yes”; April Funches – “not present”.

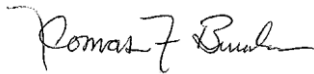
- Policy 17-01 Social Security Numbers and Department of Revenue License Actions

Tabled.

Adjournment:

At 1:02 p.m., Kristin Brennan moved to adjourn the general session meeting. Zev Colsen seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “yes”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “not present”; Tejumola Adegoke – “yes”; April Funches – “not present”.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director

Documents used in the public session meeting:

- General session agenda for meeting for June 18, 2026 meeting
- General session minutes for May 21, 2026 meeting
- Perinatal Transition Form for transfer of birthing parent or client
- Perinatal Transition Form for transfer of newborn
- Draft emergency transfer of care form with recommended fields
- Massachusetts Midwives Alliance Community and Selective Peer Review Process
- Massachusetts Midwives Alliance Complaint and Grievance Procedures
- Massachusetts Midwives Alliance Practice Guidelines
- National Association of Certified Professional Midwives (NACPM) practice resource guidance on pharmacological competencies
- Board of Registration in Midwifery controlled substance policy adopted June 26, 2025
- Policy 15-01 Delegation of Authority for Staff Actions Relative to Monitoring Licensure Conditions for board review and adoption
- Policy 14-001 Valor Act Implementation for board review and adoption
- Policy 17-01 Social Security Numbers and Department of Revenue License Actions for board review and adoption