**Board of Registration in Midwifery**

General Session Minutes

Meeting Held by Phone/Video Conference

DATE: July 17, 2025 TIME: 10:00am

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

**Board Members Present by Phone/Video:**Rebecca Herman, Chair
Susan Hernandez, Secretary
Zev Colsen
Anna Whelan
Nicole Pegher
Kristin Brennan
Jessica Petrone
Tejumola Adegoke

**DPH Staff Present by Phone/Video:**
Diane Barry, Board Counsel

Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director

Margaret McKenna, Program Coordinator
Katherine Wu, Board Intern

**Board Members Not Present by Phone/Video:**None

**Administrative Tasks:**

Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call Vote for Attendance

Board Chair, Rebecca Herman, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. The chair established quorum via calling attendance: Kristin Brennan, Zev Colsen, Jessica Petrone, Nicole Pegher and Rebecca Herman. All members participated remotely via Webex by Cisco.

**Board Business:**

* Approve general session agenda for July 17, 2025 – VOTE

**Kristin Brennan moved to approve the agenda for July 17, 2025. Zev Colsen seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote:** **Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “not present”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “not present”; Rebecca Herman – “yes”; Tejumola Adegoke – “not present”.**

* Review general session minutes for June 26, 2025

**Kristin Brennan moved to approve the June 26, 2025 general session minutes. Zev Colsen seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “not present”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “not present”; Rebecca Herman – “yes”; Tejumola Adegoke – “not present”.**

Anna Whelan joined the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

* Future board meeting dates

The Board agreed to meet on the third Thursday of the month for the remainder of 2025 starting with the September Board meeting.

* Board counsel report

Board counsel reminded the Board of the Open Meeting law. Counsel notified board members that a draft of 274 CMR 5.00 was included in the board packet for future discussion.

**Correspondence:**

* The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH)/Fenway Health Training Initiative

Read and filed.

Susan Hernadez joined the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

**Board Discussion:**

* Midwifery Ethical and Professional Standards of Practice

Deferred.

Tejumola Adegoke joined the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

* Midwifery Scope of Practice

The Board discussed the draft regulation 274 CMR 5.00: Scope of Practice for Licensed Certified Professional Midwives. During discussion, the Board proposed changes to sections of the regulation. The chair instructed board staff to present a redline version of the regulation as amended at the subsequent meeting.

Anna Whelan left the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

**At 12:42 p.m., Nicole Pegher moved to adjourn the general session meeting. Zev Colsen seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: The motion passed by roll call vote: Kristin Brennan – “yes”; Nicole Pegher – “yes”; Anna Whelan – “not present”; Jessica Petrone – “yes”; Zev Colsen – “yes”; Susan Hernandez – “yes”; Rebecca Herman – “yes”; Tejumola Adegoke – “yes”.**

Respectfully submitted,



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Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director

Documents used in the public session meeting:

* Agenda for July 17, 2025 board meeting
* General session minutes for June 26, 2025 meeting
* The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH)/Fenway Health Training Initiative
* Draft regulation 274 CMR 4.00 Midwifery Ethical and Professional Standards of Practice
* Draft regulation 274 CMR 5.00 Scope of Practice for Licensed Certified Professional Midwives