

BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE
178 Albion Street, Suite 330
Wakefield, Massachusetts 01880
(Teleconference)
August 21, 2025
10:35 a.m.
Public Session I

Members Participating Remotely:

Booker T. Bush, M.D., Physician Member, Chair
Frank O'Donnell, Esq., Public Member, Vice Chair
Sandeep Singh Jubbal, M.D., Physician Member, Secretary
Aviva Lee-Parritz, M.D., Physician Member
Jason Qu, M.D., Physician Member

Member(s) Absent:

Yvonne Y. Cheung, MD, MPH, MBA, Physician Member

Staff Present and Participating:

Vita P. Berg, General Counsel
Steven Hoffman, Manager, Division of Law and Policy
Michael Sinacola, Director of Licensing
Eileen A. Prebensen, Senior Policy Counsel

Minutes taken by: Donald LaPointe, Paralegal, Division of Law and Policy.

Marsha Johnson, Stenographer, was present to record the Board meeting.

Dr. Bush called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Dr. Bush called the Roll to confirm that there was a quorum of the Board.

Mr. O'Donnell – Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Dr. Bush informed those individuals in attendance that the Board meeting was being conducted via teleconference. Additionally, the Board meeting was being recorded by a stenographer.

Request for CME Credits for 2025 Quality & Patient Safety Committee Conference:

Dr. Bush recused himself and did not participate in the discussions in this matter.

Mr. O'Donnell was Acting Chair during the Board's consideration of this matter.

Eileen A. Prebensen, Senior Policy Counsel, informed the Board that the Quality and Patient Safety Committee will be holding its annual Conference on October 17, 2025 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. This Conference will be held at UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester, MA.

The objective of the Conference is to demonstrate one healthcare system's process in decision-making an adverse event review, including management review and regulatory reporting. The Conference will also educate participants regarding the Safety and Quality Review (SQR) reporting process. The QPSC will present a four-part interactive simulation of a fictitious safety event reported to the QPSD.

Ms. Prebensen highlighted that Drs. Bush and Cheung, as well as Dr. Julian N. Robinson (former Board Chair) would be presenters at this Conference.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the Quality and Patient Safety Committee's 2025 Conference for 6.0 credits Category 1 Continuing Medical Education in either risk management or general CME study.

Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Mr. O'Donnell called the Roll:

Dr. Jubbal – Aye

Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye

Dr. Qu – Aye

The Acting Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 4-0-1. Dr. Bush was recused.

Dr. Bush returned to the meeting.

Policy 2025-02: Categorical Approval of Information Requests by Boards and Programs within the Department of Public Health:

Vita P. Berg, General Counsel, began the discussion of this new policy with a recap of a prior information request made by the Board of Registration in Nursing (BORN) that was reviewed and approved by this Board. That request was submitted in the context of concurrent BORIM and BORN investigations into care provided by physicians and nurses working in the same health care setting. She then discussed the parameters of legally sharing information with other Department of Public Health agencies. These requests are considered to be “intra-agency” requests for purposes of the Fair Information Practices Act (M.G.L. Chapter 66A).

Ms. Berg informed the Board that the purpose of this Policy was so that information requests from other DPH agencies could be processed by Board of Registration in Medicine (BORIM) staff, so long as the provision of such information falls within parameters set in law, without the need for routine requests to go before the Board.

Dr. Bush asked for a motion to approve Policy 2025-02.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve Policy 2025-02 as presented.

Dr. Jubbal seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell – Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Minutes

The Board considered the Public Session Minutes of the July 17, 2025 Board meeting.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the Public Session Minutes of the July 17, 2025 Board meeting.

Dr. Jubbal seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell – Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous)

Licensing

The Board members stated their recusal information. Dr. Bush is recused from applications involving Baystate Medical Center Springfield, Dr. Jubbal is recused from applications involving UMass Memorial Medical Center, Dr. Lee-Parritz is recused from Boston Medical Center, and Dr. Qu is recused from Massachusetts General Hospital.

Mr. Sinacola provided the Board members with an overview of the licensing data as of August 21, 2025.

Licensing Applications

Dr. Bush asked for a motion to approve the applications for licensure.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to approve the applications presented for licensure.

Dr. Jubbal seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee- Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye

The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Dr. Bush stated that the Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized by Mass. General Law, chapter 30A, section 21 for purposes set at subsections (a)(1) and (a)(7). Specifically, the Board will review a Full License Application. In so doing, the Board will discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of the applicant, or the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges against the applicant, as permitted under purpose 1 and information that may not be publicly disclosed pursuant to Mass. General Law, chapter 112, section 5 and Mass. General Law, chapter 66A, section 2, as permitted under purpose 7. The Board will also be reviewing Executive Session Minutes.

Following the Executive Session, the Board will meet in closed Adjudicatory Session, and then in closed session under Mass. General Laws, chapter 112, section 65C. The Board will reconvene in Public Session II following the conclusion of the 65C Session.

Dr. Bush asked for a motion to go into Executive Session.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to go into Executive Session.
Dr. Jubbal seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye

Dr. Jubbal – Aye

Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye

Dr. Qu - Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Dr. Bush stated that the Board would go into Executive Session.

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178 Albion Street, Suite 330
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1:56 p.m.
Public Session II

Members Participating Remotely:

Booker T. Bush, M.D., Physician Member, Chair
Frank O'Donnell, Esq., Public Member, Vice Chair
Sandeep Singh Jubbal, M.D., Physician Member, Secretary
Aviva Lee-Parritz, M.D., Physician Member
Jason Qu, M.D., Physician Member

Member(s) Absent:

Yvonne Y. Cheung, MD, MPH, MBA, Physician Member

Staff Present and Participating:

George Zachos, Executive Director
Vita P. Berg, General Counsel
Steven Hoffman, Manager, Division of Law and Policy
Eileen A. Prebensen, Senior Policy Counsel

Minutes taken by: Donald LaPointe, Paralegal, Division of Law and Policy.

Marsha Johnson, Stenographer, was present to record the Board meeting.

Motions and Votes:

In the **Diggs** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to issue the Final Decision and Order reprimanding Dr. Diggs' license to practice medicine. Additionally, Dr. Diggs is hereby ordered to amend his renewal applications submitted to the Board in 2019, 2021 and 2023 with correct information as to his board certification status as of the original date of submission of each renewal application, to be completed within sixty days of the issuance of this Final Decision and Order.

Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye

Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye

Dr. Qu - Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 4-0-1 (Dr. Jubbal recused).

In the **Nguyen** matter, Dr. Qu moved to issue the Final Decision and Order indefinitely suspending Dr. Nguyen's license to practice medicine.
Dr. Lee-Parritz seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz– Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

In the **Nwoye** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to deny Dr. Nwoye's Objections to the Recommended Decision on Motion for Summary Decision and to deny Dr. Nwoye's Request for Remand back to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals. Additionally, Mr. O'Donnell moved to adopt the Recommended Decision and issue the Final Decision and Order denying Dr. Nwoye's full license application.
Dr. Qu seconded the motions.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Abstain
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motions carried 4-0-1. (Dr. Lee-Parritz abstained).

In the **Ford** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to ratify the acceptance of the Resignation, pursuant to 243 CMR 1.05(5)(a).
Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

In the **Podberezin** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to issue the Statement of Allegations, Order to Use Pseudonyms and Impound Identities and Medical Records, and Order of Reference to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals.
Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

In the **Lantsman** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to issue the Statement of Allegations and Order of Reference to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals.
Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

In the **Palumbo** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to issue the Statement of Allegations and approve the Consent Order reprimanding Dr. Palumbo's license to practice medicine.
Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

In the **Petcu** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to issue the Statement of Allegations, Order to Use Pseudonyms and Impound Identities and Medical Records, and Order of Reference to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals.

Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

In the **Tuerk** matter, Mr. O'Donnell moved to issue the Statement of Allegations and Order of Reference to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals.
Dr. Lee-Parritz seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motion carried 5-0. (unanimous).

Board Member Availability:

The Board considered their anticipated availability to attend the September 11, 2025, September 25, 2025 and October 9, 2025 Board meetings.

Dr. Qu indicated that he did not anticipate attending the September 25, 2025 Board meeting.

The Board members did not indicate any other schedule conflicts.

On behalf of the Board, Dr. Bush thanked Board staff for their work in putting together this meeting.

Dr. Bush asked for a motion to adjourn the Board meeting.

Mr. O'Donnell moved to adjourn the meeting.

Dr. Qu seconded the motion.

Dr. Bush called the Roll:

Mr. O'Donnell - Aye
Dr. Jubbal – Aye
Dr. Lee-Parritz – Aye
Dr. Qu - Aye
The Chair voted Aye.
Motions carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Public Session II ended at 2:04 p.m.

Documents Considered in Public Sessions I and II:

- Memorandum Regarding Request for CME Credits for 2025 Quality & Patient Safety Committee Conference
- Policy 2025-02: Categorical Approval of Information Requests by Boards and Programs within the Department of Public Health
- Public Session Minutes of the July 17, 2025, Board Meeting
- Licensing Applications List

- Motions and Vote