

**BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE**

**178 Albion Street, Suite 330  
Wakefield, Massachusetts 01880**

**(Teleconference)**

**February 17, 2022**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Public Session I**

**Members Participating Remotely:**

Julian N. Robinson, M.D., Physician Member, Chair  
Woody Giessmann, LADC-I, CADC, CIP, CAI, Public Member, Vice Chair  
Holly Oh, M.D., Physician Member  
Booker T. Bush, M.D., Physician Member  
Deborah Levine, M.D., Physician Member

**Members Absent:**

Nawal Nour, M.D., M.P.H., Physician Member

**Staff Present and Participating:**

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

Minutes taken by: Jennifer Sadowski, Paralegal, Division of Law and Policy

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

Dr. Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

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

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine -Aye

Dr. Oh- Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0-0 (unanimous).

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

### **Licensing:**

Dr. Robinson is recused from license applications from Newton Wellesley Hospital, Mr. Giessmann is recused from applications involving Right Turn, Dr. Levine is recused from licensing applications from Beth Israel Lahey, Dr. Oh is recused from applications involving The Dimock Center and City Block Health, and Dr. Bush is recused from licensing applications from Baystate Medical Center Springfield.

Michael Sinacola, Licensing Director presented the licensing data as of February 17, 2022.

### **Licensing Applications:**

Applications for **full licensure** (Agarwal-Wu)

Dr. Levine moved to approve the full licenses.

Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine-Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Applications for **limited licensure** (Cheslock-Feffufino)

Dr. Levine moved to approve the limited licenses.

Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine-Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Applications for **temporary faculty license reviewed by the Licensing Committee** (Bottiroli)

Dr. Levine moved to approve the temporary faculty license reviewed by the Licensing Committee.

Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine-Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Applications for **full licensure reviewed by the Licensing Committee** (Cummings-Johnson-Shayhorn)

Dr. Levine moved to approve the full licenses with waiver reviewed by the Licensing Committee on 2/17/2022.

Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine-Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Application for **lapsed license reviewed by the Licensing Committee** (Lin).

Dr. Levine moved to approve the lapsed license reviewed by the Licensing Committee.

Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine-Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

Application for **changes to existing limited licenses reviewed by the Board** (Harris-Sekigami)  
Dr. Levine moved to approve the changes to existing limited licenses reviewed by the Board.  
Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Levine-Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

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

Dr. Robinson stated that the Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A § 21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of individuals relevant to their petitions for modification of their probation agreement. The Board will also be reviewing Executive Session Minutes.

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

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

Dr. Levine moved to go into Executive Session.  
Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Levine -Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

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

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

Public Session I ended at 10:36 a.m.

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**11:49 a.m.**

**Public Session II**

**Members Participating Remotely:**

Julian N. Robinson, M.D., Physician Member, Vice Chair  
Woody Giessmann, LADC-I, CADC, CIP, CAI, Public Member  
Deborah Levine, M.D., Physician Member  
Holly Oh, M.D., Physician Member  
Booker T. Bush, M.D., Physician Member

**Member(s) absent:**

Nawal Nour, M.D., M.P.H., Physician Member

**Staff Present and Participating:**

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

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

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

**Continuing Medical Education on Implicit Bias Update**

George Zachos, Executive Director, stated this is a continued discussion on the Implicit Bias Policy approved and voted on November 18, 2021. We have put together a list of four courses for your review that will satisfy the CME requirement. We also need the Board to decide whether this will be a one-time requirement or a reoccurring requirement.

The Board agreed that they would like to make this a one-time requirement.

The Board asked when the Policy would go into effect.

Attorney Zachos stated that it tentatively will go into effect June 2022. There will be an email blast to physicians with the available courses, and we will continue adding courses as they become available.

## **Clinical Medicine Intensive for International Medical Graduates**

Eileen A. Prebensen, Senior Policy Counsel, presented the following educational program for approval: Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) has developed a new clinical education program for International Medical Graduates (IMGs).<sup>1</sup> Vanessa Bradford Kerry, MD, Msc., the Associate Director of Partnership and Global Initiatives for MGH Global Health, is asking the Board of Registration in Medicine for Board approval of the course, entitled, “**Clinical Medicine Intensive for International Medical Graduates.**”

In order to participate in the Clinical Medicine Intensive, the IMG must have, at a minimum, a license in another jurisdiction (another state or country). The applicant would need to file a Temporary License application along with the fee (\$250).

The MGH program offers participants a unique opportunity to work closely with MGH faculty while assessing and caring for patients under the faculty member’s direct supervision.

Mr. Giessmann moved to approve MGH’s Clinical Medicine Intensive for International Medical Graduates course.

Dr. Oh seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine -Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.

Motion carried 5-0 (unanimous).

## **Motions and Votes**

In the **Karmazin** matter, Dr. Robinson moved to terminate the Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice.

Dr. Bush seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye

Dr. Levine -Aye

Dr. Oh – Aye

Dr. Bush – Aye

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<sup>1</sup> The program may also accept physicians who are visiting from other states who do not have a Massachusetts license.

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

In the **Marotta** matter, Dr. Robinson moved to terminate the Probation Agreement.  
Dr. Bush seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Levine -Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

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

In the **O'Regan** matter, Dr. Robinson moved to terminate the Probation Agreement.  
Dr. Bush seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Levine -Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

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

In the **Peters** matter, Dr. Robinson moved to issue the Final Decision and Order, which incorporates the Recommended Decision with an amendment striking the conclusion of law that the physician committed malpractice, and which imposes no discipline.  
Dr. Levine seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Levine -Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

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

In the **Bober** matter, Dr. Robinson moved to issue the Statement of Allegations and the Order or Reference to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals.  
Dr. Levine seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:  
Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

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

### **Board Member Availability**

The Board members discussed their anticipated availability to attend the March 10, 2022, March 31, 2022 and April 14, 2022 Board meetings.

Dr. Bush indicated that he will not be available for the March 31, 2022 meeting. The other Board members in attendance indicated that they anticipated attending the March 10, 2002, March 31, 2022 and April 14, 2022 Board meetings.

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

Dr. Oh moved to adjourn the Board meeting.  
Dr. Levine seconded the motion.

Dr. Robinson called the Roll:

Mr. Giessmann – Aye  
Dr. Levine -Aye  
Dr. Oh – Aye  
Dr. Bush – Aye

The Chair voted Aye.  
Motions carried 5-0 (unanimous).  
Meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

### **Documents Considered in Public Sessions I and II:**

- Licensing Applications List
- Available Courses on Continuing Medical Education on Implicit Bias in Healthcare
- Motions and Votes