

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

**THIS AGENDA CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF GENETIC COUNSELORS
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETING LAW, M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20**

(OPEN SESSION)

Thursday, May 07, 2026

9:30 a.m.

General Session is open to the public and will be held via Zoom at:

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Agenda

All Votes Must Be Via Roll Call

Time	Item #	Item	Staff Contact
9:30 a.m.	I	Call to Order Notice of Electronic Recording Determination of Quorum	Board Chair
	II	Approval of Agenda	Board Chair
	III	Approval of Minutes A. Approval of February 05, 2026, General Session Minutes.	Board Chair
	IV	Draft Regulation A. 140 CMR 2.00 (VOTE)	Deputy Bureau Director
	V	Flex Session A. Who will attend the next board meeting? B. Topics for next agenda	Executive Director
	VI	Adjournment – Next Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 03, 2026.	Board Chair

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF GENETIC COUNSELORS
250 Washington Street
Boston, MA 02108

Thursday, May 7, 2026
Via Zoom

GENERAL SESSION MINUTES (OPEN SESSION)

BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:

Allison Cirino, Genetic Counselor, Board Chair
Kira A Dies, Genetic Counselor, Vice-Chair
Farid Barquet Ramos, Genetic Counselor, Secretary
Ann Seman, Genetic Counselor

BOARD MEMBERS
NOT PRESENT:

Jillian Fleming, Public Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Tracy Hellmar, Executive Director, Multi-Boards 1, BHPL, DPH
Kayla Mikalauski, Executive Director, Multi-Boards 2, BHPL, DPH
Carol Larkin, Office Support Specialist, Multi-Boards, BHPL, DPH
Tracy Ottina, Board Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, DPH
Lauren Nelson, Deputy Director, BHPL, DPH
Jonathan Dillon, Policy Director, BHPL, DPH
Gillian Coffey, Health Communications Manager, BHPL, DPH

I. CALL TO ORDER | DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

At 9:31 a.m. Ms. Allison Cirino, Board Chair, called the General Session meeting to order. Ms. Cirino reminded Board members the meeting was being recorded and asked for a roll call vote to determine quorum.

Roll call as follows: Allison Cirino: present; Kira A Dies: present; Farid Barquet Ramos: present; Ann Seman: present.

II. APPROVAL OF GENERAL SESSION AGENDA | CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Discussion: The Board reviewed the General Session Agenda

Action:

Motion to approve the agenda as written was made by Ms. Allison Cirino, seconded by Mr.

Farid Barquet Ramos and was passed by roll call vote as follows: Allison Cirino: approve, Kira A Dies: approve, Farid Barquet Ramos: approve, Ann Seman: approve.

Document: May 7, 2026, General Session Agenda

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Discussion: The Board reviewed the drafted General Session Minutes.

Action:

A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Ms. Allison Cirino, seconded by Mr. Farid Barquet Ramos, and was passed by roll call vote as follows: Allison Cirino: approve, Kira A Dies: approve, Farid Barquet Ramos: approve, Ann Seman: approve.

Document: Feb 5, 2026, General Session Minutes

IV. PROPOSED REGULATION **A. 140 CMR 2.00**

Discussion:

Mr. Jonathan Dillon presented a proposed regulation 140 CMR 2.00 which contains two key requirements as follows: 1) It prohibits MA-licensed health care providers from reporting medical debt to consumer reporting agencies, as defined in section 50 of chapter 93. 2) It requires MA-licensed health care providers to include a provision in contracts with debt collectors that prohibits debt collectors from reporting medical debt to consumer reporting agencies, as defined in section 50 of chapter 93, by the debt collectors.

Action:

A motion to move the proposed regulation to public comment was made by Ms. Allison Cirino, seconded by Ms. Kira A Dies, and was passed by roll call vote as follows: Allison Cirino: approve, Kira A Dies: approve, Farid Barquet Ramos: approve, Ann Seman: approve.

Document: Proposed Regulation 140 CMR 2.00

V. FLEX SESSION

Discussion:

The next Board meeting is rescheduled to Thursday, Sept 3, 2026, at 9:30am. The Board may convene an additional meeting prior to that date should the need arise. At the next Board meeting, the Board will review its regulations and discuss any needed amendments.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:55 a.m., motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Allison Cirino, seconded by Ms. Kira A Dies, and was passed by roll call vote as follows: Allison Cirino: approve, Kira A Dies: approve, Farid Barquet Ramos: approve, Ann Seman: approve.

Let the record show the meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration of Genetic Counselors is scheduled for September 3, 2026, via Zoom at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
The Board of Registration of Genetic Counselors

