

Board of Registration of Hearing Instrument Specialists

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Notice of Meeting and Topics

Meeting called to order:

Board Business:

- Review of Minutes
 - January 17, 2020 Meeting
 - April 22, 2020 Meeting
- Introduction of new Board Counsel, Kristina Gasson
- Report from Executive Director, Michael Hawley
- Report from Legal Counsels, Lynn Read & Kristina Gasson
 - Progress of federal regulations – Over the Counter Hearing Aids

Apprenticeship Extension Request:

- Janice Peters
- Charles Margossian

Discussion:

- Impacts of COVID-19
 - JHIS Exam availability
 - Dispensing hearing instruments when audiogram cannot be performed and most recent audiogram is more than six months old.
 - Other Impacts
- Review of Board Regulations, 265 CMR 2.00-10.00

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