

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

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

Thursday, June 13, 2019
9:30 a.m.

239 Causeway Street, 4th Floor, Conference Room 417 A/B
Boston, Massachusetts 02114

AGENDA

Time	Item #	Item	Documents	Staff Contact
9:30 a.m.	I	Call to Order Determination of Quorum Notice of Electronic Recording		Board Chair
	II	Approval of Agenda Conflict of Interest	Draft Agenda	Board Chair
	III	Approval of Minutes A. Regularly Scheduled Meeting: May 9, 2019	Draft Minutes	Board Chair
	IV	Inquiry A. Scope of Practice Inquiry: Clarification of 263 CMR 5.04 Janet Blake, JD, LL.M, RN, CHC, CCP	E-mail	Board Chair
	V	Investigations: N/A <i><u>Triage: None</u></i> <i><u>Staff Assignment(s):None</u></i> <i><u>Complaint(s): None</u></i>	N/A	

	VI	Flex Session A. Announcements 1. Final Pain Management Task Force Report B. Topics for next agenda	News Release	ED
	VII	Executive Session: The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purposes of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against an individual. 1. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the necessity of modifying probation conditions for a Licensee. 2. Specifically, the Board will discuss complaints or charges brought against a Licensee or Licensees. 3. Finally, the Board will consider approving prior executive session minutes in accordance with M.G.L. ch.30A, § 22(a) for previous executive sessions of the Board. The Board will not reconvene in public session subsequent to the closed session(s).		Board Chair
	VIII	65C Session: N/A	N/A	Board Counsel
	IX	Adjudicatory Session: N/A	N/A	Board Counsel
12:00 p.m.	X	Adjournment - next Board meeting scheduled for July 11, 2019.		

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BOARD MEETING

May 09, 2019
239 Causeway Street, Suite 500
Boston, Massachusetts 02114

MINUTES

Board Members
Present:

Dipu Patel-Junankar, PA-C, Physician Assistant 1, Chair
Paul Crehan, PA-C, Physician Assistant 4, Secretary
Alithia C. Monroe, PA-C, Physician Assistant 3
Robert Baginski, MD, Physician
Mary Kuzmeski, PA-C, Physician Assistant 2

Board Members Not
Present:

Richard Baum, MD, Massachusetts Medical Society
Shannon Sheridan-Geldart, PA-C, Physician Assistant Educator, Vice Chair

Staff Present:

Roberlyne Cherfils, Executive Director, MultiBoard, BHPL
Karen Geoghegan, Assistant Executive Director, MultiBoard, BHPL
Mary Strachan, Board Counsel, Office of General Counsel, DPH
Lisa Seeley-Murphy, Compliance Officer, MultiBoard, BHPL
Jonane Nicolas, Office Support Specialist, DPH

I. Call to Order- Determination of Quorum

A quorum of the Board was present. The Board Chair, Ms. Patel-Junankar, called the Regular Session meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. Conflict of interest/Approval of the General Session Agenda

The meeting agenda was reviewed. There were no conflicts of interest.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: Ms. Patel-Junankar made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Crehan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Document: May 09, 2019 Board Meeting Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes

DISCUSSION: Ms. Monroe inquired about item V.A. the Operational update on page 2 whether it is 88 percent or 88 people. Ms. Cherfils Clarified that it should be 88 people instead of 88 percent.

ACTION: Mr. Crehan made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Monroe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Document: March 14, 2019 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes

IV. Investigations: N/A

Triage: None

Staff Assignment(s): None

Complaint(s) None

V. Flex Session

A. Announcements

Ms. Cherfils introduced to the Board members Ms. Geoghegan, the Assistant Executive Director. She was formerly with the Medical Use of Marijuana Program at DPH. Ms. Strachan mentioned that in a prior Flex session the Board asked her to research marijuana. She asked the Board for more specific direction.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Patel-Junankar suggested to do research about impairment. Board Counsel explained that if an employer of a PA suspected that the PA was impaired by marijuana, that impairment must be proved in the same way that impairment by alcohol or drugs is proved. For example, by lab tests performed a description of the PA's appearance and conduct, etc.

ACTION: None

B. Topics for next agenda

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: None

Document: Memo

VI. Executive Session

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Motion made by Mr. Crehan to enter into executive session at 9:43 a.m. Seconded by Dr. Baginski and unanimously voted to into Executive session.

VII. 65C Session: None

VIII. Adjudicatory Session: None

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Board of Registration of Physician Assistants will be held on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at 239 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted:

Chair / Vice-Chair
Dipu Patel-Junankar

Date
