

**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, November 12, 2015  
9:30 a.m.**

**239 Causeway Street ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Floor ~ Room 417 A/B  
Boston, Massachusetts 02114**

**AGENDA**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Item #</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Documents</b>	<b>Staff Contact</b>
9:30 a.m.	<b>I.</b>	<b>Call to Order Determination of Quorum</b>		
	<b>II.</b>	<b>Approval of Agenda</b>	Draft Agenda	
	<b>III.</b>	<b>Approval of Minutes</b> A. October 8, 2015 Regularly Scheduled Meeting	Draft Minutes	
	<b>IV.</b>	<b>Regulations</b> A. Proposed Amendments to 263 CMR 2.00-6.00 per Governor's Regulatory Review Process	Draft Regulations	MS
	<b>V.</b>	<b>Other Business/Announcements</b>		

	<b>VI.</b>	<b>Flex Session</b> A. Topic for next agenda	None	
10:00 a.m.	<b>VII.</b>	<p><b>Executive Session</b> The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) and (3) 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, and to discuss strategy with respect to litigation as a public discussion may have a detrimental effect on the Board's position.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the <u>Good Moral Character</u> provision of an application or applications as required for registration.</li> <li>2. 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.</li> </ol> <p><b>The Board will not reconvene in public session subsequent to the executive session.</b></p>	Closed Session	
10:15 a.m.	<b>VIII.</b>	<b>M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session</b>	Closed Session	
12:00 p.m.	<b>IX.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b> - next Board meeting scheduled for December 10, 2015		

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**BOARD MEETING**

**November 12, 2015**  
**239 Causeway Street, Room 417**  
**Boston, MA 02114**

***MINUTES***

Board Members                      Dipu Patel-Junankar, PA-C, Physician Assistant 1, Chair  
Present:                                Laura Hilf, RN, MS, Public Member 1  
                                                Richard Baum, MD, Massachusetts Medical Society  
                                                Shannon Sheridan-Geldart, PA-C, Physician Assistant, Educator  
                                                Miguel Valdez, PA-C, Physician Assistant 3, Vice-Chair  
                                                Paul Crehan, PA-C, Physician Assistant 4

Staff Present:                      Ichelle Herbu, Assistant Executive Director, DHPL  
                                                Rebecca Ferullo, Office Support Specialist, DHPL  
                                                Mary Strachan, Board Counsel, Office of General Counsel, DPH  
                                                Marjorie Campbell, Investigator Supervisor, Office of Public  
                                                Protection, DHPL  
                                                Philip Beattie, Board Investigator, Office of Public Protection, DHPL  
                                                Lisa Ferguson, DHPL

I.        Call to Order – Determination of Quorum  
          A quorum of the Board was present. The Board Chair, Ms. Patel-Junankar, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

II.       Approval of the Agenda  
          The Meeting Agenda was reviewed.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: Ms. Dipu Patel-Junankar made a motion to approve the agenda; Ms. Laura Hilf seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously.

Document: November 12, 2015 Board Meeting Agenda

III.      Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the October 8, 2015 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting were reviewed.

DISCUSSION: None

ACTION: Ms. Laura Hilf made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Paul Crehan

seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously.

Document: October 8, 2015 Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting Minutes

IV. Regulations

A. Proposed Amendments to 263 CMR 2.00-6.00 per Governor's Regulatory Review Process

9:35 Ms. Shannon Sheridan-Geldart enters

DISCUSSION: Changes made to the draft regulations were reviewed. A Standards of Conduct and Discipline sections was added in an attempt to create uniformity for all Boards in the Division.

ACTION: Mr. Paul Crehan made a motion to adopt the amendments; Ms. Shannon Sheridan-Geldart seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously.

Document: Draft Regulations

V. Flex Session

A. Topics for next agenda

DISCUSSION: The Board would like to follow up on previous topics that required more information, specifically the inquiry regarding work in Antarctica.

ACTION: None

Document: None

VI. Executive Session (closed session)

At 09:41 a.m., Ms. Dipu Patel-Junankar announced that the Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3) for the purpose 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, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual.

3. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration for pending applicants.
4. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of licensees relevant to their petitions for license status change.
5. Approval of prior executive session minutes in accordance with M.G.L. ch.30A, § 22(f) for sessions held during the May 14, 2015.

Ms. Dipu Patel-Junankar made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 9:41 a.m.; Ms. Laura Hilf seconded the motion; Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote with Board members present and voting in favor: Ms. Dipu Patel-Junankar: yes; Mr. Paul Crehan: yes; Ms. Laura Hilf: yes; Ms. Nicole Meregian: yes; Ms. Shannon Sheridan-Geldart: yes; Dr. Richard Baum: yes; Opposed: None Abstained: None Recused: None

VII. M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C Session (closed session)

VIII. Adjourn

There being no other business before the Board, Ms. Dipu Patel-Junankar made a motion to adjourn the Meeting; Mr. Paul Crehan seconded the motion. The motion passed with Board members present and voting in favor unanimously. The Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Registration of Physician Assistants will be held on Thursday, January 14, 2016, at 9:30 a.m. at 239 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted:

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Dipu Patel-Junankar, PA-C, Chair

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Date