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ALCOHOL AND DRUG COUNSELOR COMMITTEE **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES** **JUNE 28, 2013**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee was called to Order by Committee Chair, Edward Reading at 9:50 a.m. in the Somerset Conference Room, 6th floor, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:

Committee Chair, Edward Reading
Committee Member, Jamie Lugo

Excused:

Committee Member, Norwood Allen
Committee Vice-Chair, Sylvia Lippe

Also Present:

Alexis Goldberger, Deputy Attorney General
Rachel Glasgow, Regulatory Analyst
Milagros Collazo, Executive Director
Michela Ross, Government Rep
Vivian Lopez, Administrative Staff
Celeste Paige, Administrative Staff

In accordance with Chapter 231 of P.L. 1975, more commonly referred to as the Sunshine Law, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Bergen Record and the Courier Post and also posted on the Committee's web page.

Announcement of Quorum

Committee Chair, Edward Reading announced a quorum of the Committee did not exist at 10:07 a.m. Without the presence of a quorum the Committee can only recommend actions.

A. May 17, 2013

The Committee members present voted to recommend approval the May 17, 2013 minutes as amended. The May 17, 2013 Alcohol and Drug Counselor Committee Public minutes will be presented before the Board of Marriage and Family Examiners at its July 11, 2013 for final ratification.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Glen Duncan - attended the Committee meeting regarding the Committee's decision to his filed petition for rule making proposal.

V. LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY

A. Senate Bill S-2727 ~ this Bill seeks to establish a "Study Commission on E-Licensing"

The Committee members present supported the Bill with the suggestion that all plenary mental health licensees be included in the Bill.

B. Senate Bill S-2828 ~ permits court to order involuntary outpatient treatment in any county; concerns patient compliance with taking medication.

The Committee members present supported this Bill with the suggestion that members of the mental health boards be included in this study.

C. Senate Bill S-2840 ~ provides confidentiality for emergency services peer counselors.

The Committee members present supported the Bill with the clarification of what peer counselor training and job description would include.

D. Assembly Bill A-4126 ~ "Art Therapy Licensing Act"

The Committee members present had concerns with specializations having their own license because it is an adjunct form of therapy rather than a primary form. The Committee members present recognized that the Professional Counselor Committee has a plenary Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) license with a specialization in art therapy.

E. Petition for Rule Making N.J.A.C 13:34C-6.2, 6.2A, and 6.3

The Committee reviewed Glenn Duncan's regulation change petition. The Committee's initial deliberations on the proposal's three points are listed below:

1.) The Committee members present determined to continue to deliberate the requirement for all LCADC supervisors to have the Certified Clinical Supervisor (CCS) credential or be a recognized supervisor of their respective State licensing Board in order to supervise an ADC. The Committee members present determined this is something to be further explored by a regulations sub-committee.

2.) The Committee members present determined to deny Mr. Duncan's request to approve a supervisor while in the process of obtaining their CCS. The Committee

members present determined that an individual is not a supervisor until the supervisory credentials have been fully obtained.

3.) The Committee members present determined to deny Mr. Duncan's request to add requirement for qualified supervisors to directly observe the supervisees in one of four specified activities at least once annually. The Committee came to its decision based upon the fact that they already have the means to observe supervisees included on page 11 of the application and determined to keep it that way because as the definition of clinical supervision evolves there will be new techniques developing and the Committee does not want to limit itself but rather allow for flexibility.

The Committee members present inquired with Mr. Duncan if they may have more time to deliberate his proposal due to not having a quorum of the full Committee. Mr. Duncan verbally agreed to an extend his request until the Committee's September 27, 2013 meeting. Regulatory Analyst, Rachel Glasgow asked Mr. Duncan to please put his agreement to the extension in writing.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

A. Licensing Activity Report

	<u>CADC</u>	<u>LCADC</u>
Active	676	1613
Inactive	41	84
Pending*	582	297
Reinstatements Pending	4	2
Suspended	2	3
Voluntary surrender	5	2
Withdrawn	23	27

* in the pending category, aside from applications pending final Committee review/approval, are applications that are missing documentation, applications waiting on exam results, or have been abandoned.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None to report.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 270 Hour Program Matrices/Reports

i. Ocean County College

The Committee members present determined to send these names to the Certification Board.

ii. Passaic County Community College

The Committee members present accepted this as informational.

iii. Stockton College

The Committee members present determined that Stockton College's Masters in Criminal Justice is not a qualifying degree for LCADC licensure.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

None to review.

X. FILED ORDERS

A. Thomas Cascione, CADC

The Committee members present reviewed Mr. Cascione's June 2013 filed Consent Order of Voluntary Surrender of Certification.

The Committee members present accepted this as informational.

XI. APCBNJ MATTERS

Nothing to report.

XII. DMHAS MATTERS

The Committee reviewed Liz Conti's meeting agenda and meeting will be re-scheduled with the Committee in July 2013.

XIII. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for **July 26, 2013**, 9:30 a.m. at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey.

Meeting Dates for 2013

July 26, 2013	October 25, 2013
August 23, 2013	November 15, 2013
September 27, 2013	December 20, 2013

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XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Committee members present unanimously determined to move to Executive session at 12:45 p.m.

XV. APPLICATIONS REVIEWED

CADC approved for licensure

Kevin Brister

Danielle N. Burke

Amanda Creque

Sherial Jenkins

Christin Jones

Grace Jones

Janette Sheppard

Margaret Wagner

Donna Whalen

Cleo Zifovski

LCADC approved for licensure

Nadia J. Awais

Brenda Bedward

Simon Dike

Stacy L. Dutka

Lindsay Hutchinson

Gaudi Jiminian

Nicole Kearns

Cynthia Kelly

Natalie Marquez

Martin Rodriguez

LCADC Upgrade approved for licensure

Beth A. Bronfman

Mark E. Brown

Shannon B. McCray

Yasmin L. Paramo

Robert A. Snyder

Gloria M. Toulson-Rambough

Written and Oral Examination Approved

LaMarvin J. Bell

Sheena Carew
Michelle E. Carlo
Darlene Chapman
Jennifer Dadswell
Lynn R. Langston
Charles H. Parks
Stephanie Pinney
Victoria Tummillo
Michele L. Vitolo
Peter J. White
Leon Williams
Joseph J. Winkelried
Robert Woodman

Approved Oral exam only:

Raquel Ugrinousky

XVI. ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee members present unanimously determined to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 p.m.