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A meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners was held on Wednesday, October 13, 2010 at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, 4th Floor, Conference Center, Trenton, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by President T. Paul Jordan, M.D.

PRESENT

Board Members Cheema, Ciechanowski, Criss, Howard, Jordan, Lambert, Mendelowitz, Paul, Rajput, Scott, Stanley, Tedeschi and Walsh.

EXCUSED

Board Members Baker, Berkowitz DeGregorio, Iannuzzi, Lomazow and Weiss.

ALSO PRESENT

AAG Joyce, Senior Deputy Attorney General Flanzman, Deputy Attorneys General Ehrenkrantz, Hafner, Levine, Warhaftig; Executive Director William V. Roeder and Mary Lou Mottola, Executive Director of the Medical Practitioner Review Panel.

STATEMENT CONCERNING THE ANNUAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

The requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" were satisfied by notice of this meeting given in the annual notice adopted by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners on September 9, 2009 which was transmitted to the ATLANTIC CITY PRESS, STAR LEDGER, CAMDEN COURIER POST, ASBURY PARK PRESS, BERGEN RECORD and the TRENTON TIMES, all on the 1st day of October 2009.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTES

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2010 OPEN BOARD MINUTES.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED

TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 20, 2010 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE OPEN MINUTES.

9:00 A.M. PRESENTATION

Representatives from the Federation of State Medical Boards, Galicano Inguito, M.D., M.B.A., and Sandra Waters, MEM appeared before the Board and provided an overview of the Federation services, activities, current initiatives and suggestions of how the Federation could better serve the Board. Topics included the history of the Federation, efforts toward the Uniform Medical Application, the FCVS, continued review of ways to assure the Maintenance of Licensure, Creation of the Physician Data and Resource Center, Advocacy efforts of behalf of the State boards and the implementation of enhanced technology to achieve better communication with the Boards.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PROPOSED 2011 BOARD MEETING DATES

The following dates were proposed for the Board's monthly meeting in 2011. The 4th Floor Conference Room, Justice Complex, has been reserved on each of these dates.

January 12	July 13
February 9	August 10
March 9	September 14
April 13	October 12
May 11	November 9
June 8	December 14

**THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO
APPROVE THE DATES FOR ITS MONTHLY MEETING IN 2011.**

2. MEDICAL MARIJUANA

Under the NJ Compassionate Use of Medical Marijuana Act, the Division is required to establish a system to monitor the dispensing of marijuana for medical use. In conjunction, the Board is responsible for promulgating regulations concerning a physician's issuance of

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the required certification and written instructions. AAG Joyce assisted the Board by providing the background on the law and the development of the draft regulations which were reviewed by the Board. While the bulk of the responsibility for the law falls under the Department of Health and Senior Services, the draft regulations addressed a number of key issues which appropriately fall under the Division of Consumer Affairs and the Board of Medical Examiners. The Board's regulation focuses on the responsibility of the physician community that elects to certify that the patient has a debilitating condition and that there is a *bona fide* physician-patient relationship. She noted that representatives from the Department of Health and Senior Services in the development of the regulation in order to coordinate the efforts for the implementation of the New Jersey Compassionate Use of Medical Marijuana Act.

THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE AND SECONDED, VOTED TO APPROVE THE DRAFT REGULATIONS AND AUTHORIZED PUBLICATION IN THE *NEW JERSEY REGISTER* FOR NOTICE AND COMMENT.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATIONAL

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Respectfully submitted

Paul T. Jordan, M.D. - President

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