

**NEW JERSEY OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS
MARCH 6, 2006
PUBLIC AGENDA MEETING MINUTES**

The general meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Psychological Examiners was held at the Board office, 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 9:34 A.M. by Victoria Jeffers, Chair.

PRESENT:

Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D., Chair
T. Stephen Patterson, Ph.D., Government Member
Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D., Secretary
Loretto A. Brickfield, Ph.D.
Evelyn A. Orozco, Ph.D.
Marina Maier, Public Member

ABSENT:

Kenneth G. Roy, Ed.D., Vice Chair
Robert S. Garrison, Esq., Public Member

ALSO ATTENDING:

J. Michael Walker, Executive Director
Carmen A. Rodriguez, Deputy Attorney General, Counsel to Board
Wanda Smith, Secretarial Assistant
Carmella Volz, Assistant to the Executive Director
Celeste Sweeper, Marriage and Family Therapy

Upon motion made by Dr. Orozco and seconded by Dr. Patterson, the Board approved the public session minutes of February 6, 2006, with corrections. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board voted unanimously to go into closed session for discussion of the oral examination. The Board returned to open session.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

TEMPORARY PERMIT–NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS

The following candidates were approved for a three-year temporary permit for the supervised practice of psychology:

Clifford Barneman, Psy.D.
Dinorah Frontera-DeJesus, Psy.D.
Heather Tuckerman, Psy.D.

TEMPORARY PERMIT–NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR

The following candidates were approved for a one-year temporary permit for the unsupervised practice of psychology:

Patricia Vroom, Ph.D.

Kim Arrington, Psy.D.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jeffrey W. Adams, Psy.D.

Dr. Adams wrote requesting an extension of his three-year temporary permit which expires on March 10, 2006. Dr. Adams stated that he was just notified that he passed the E.P.P.P. written examination and is currently in the process of preparing a work sample for submission. Dr. Adams further stated that he does not want his permit to expire while waiting to be scheduled to take the oral examination. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board voted to extend Dr. Adams' permit for an additional year expiring on March 10, 2007. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

John McGinley, Ph.D.

Dr. McGinley wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit his work sample for the oral examination. Dr. McGinley stated that he wants to submit a work sample that is consistent with his future area of practice. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board voted to grant Dr. McGinley an additional 90 days to submit his work sample for the oral examination. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Jacob Kader, Psy.D.

Dr. Kader wrote requesting an extension of the 90-day limit to submit his work sample for the oral examination. Dr. Kader stated that the additional time would allow him to revise the testing work sample he wishes to submit for the oral examination since he has just learned of additional information the Board requires of a testing case. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board voted to grant Dr. Kader an additional 90 days to submit his work sample for the oral examination. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

LaTeisha Mason Callender, Ph.D.

Dr. Callender wrote requesting special consideration of the Board to accept her work sample that is more than a one year old. Dr. Callender stated that during graduate school she focused on treating children and families. Dr. Callender further stated that after receiving her doctoral degree, she began a new clinical specialization in sex offender treatment. Dr. Callender stated that she worked with the "subject" in her work sample while accruing her post-doctoral hours for licensure. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board voted to deny Dr. Callender's request pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:42-5.1 (b) which states that the work sample must be "current." "Current" is defined to mean a work sample either in progress or where the treatment services were terminated within one year before submission of the work sample. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Parin Zaveri, Ph.D.

Dr. Zaveri wrote requesting that the Board retroactively accept post-doctoral hours he accrued before the issuance of his three-year temporary permit on February 10, 2006. Dr. Zaveri stated that a number of circumstances hindered him from completing his licensure file to obtain his three-year permit. Dr. Zaveri further stated that he started accruing hours on September 6, 2005 at Trenton Psychiatric Hospital. Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board voted to deny Dr. Zaveri's request pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:42-3.2 (a) which states that an applicant for licensure who has not completed the requirements for post-doctoral supervised experience shall be required to obtain a three-year permit and comply with all of the provisions of subchapter three of the Board's regulation including those applicants who intend to obtain the supervised experience in an exempt setting. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Darlene Kane, Budget Analyst, DCA

The Board reviewed the Division of Law quarterly billing statement provided by the Division's budget analyst.

The statement was accepted as informational.

Irwin J. Mansdorf, Ph.D.

Dr. Mansdorf submitted an email inquiry to inform the Board of a change in the CPT codes for psychological testing that impact on New Jersey regulations for "neuropsychometric technician" pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:42-7.4. Dr. Mansdorf stated that the new codes specifically allow for the use of "technicians" and assign specific codes to bill for their services. This would seem to be in conflict with New Jersey State regulations, N.J.A.C. 13:42-7.4 (d). Upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board voted to inform Dr. Mansdorf that when there's a conflict, New Jersey law prevails. However, Medicare guidelines must be followed but in doing so, one should not violate the regulations. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

REVIEW OF EXEMPTION NOTICE FORM

Trinitas Hospital

The Board reviewed an exemption notice from Lucille Carr-Kaffashan, Ph.D.

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 45:14B-6 (3), after review of the information provided in the exemption notice form and upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board determined that Trinitas Hospital is considered an exempt facility. Dr. Carr-Kaffashan was advised that, in order to continue the exempt status, the agency is required to confirm annually that it continues to qualify for exempt status. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

International Institute of New Jersey

The Board reviewed an exemption notice from Sara Kahn, LCSW

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 45:15B-6 (3), after review of the information provided in the exemption notice form and upon motion made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Dr. Friedman, the Board determined that International Institute of New Jersey is considered an exempt facility. Ms. Kahn was advised that, in order to continue the exempt status, the agency is required to confirm annually that it continues to qualify for exempt status. Voting in favor of the motion: all.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Friedman, Ph.D.
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Date: Victoria W. Jeffers, Ph.D.
Chair