

**BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE
SOMERSET CONFERENCE ROOM
6TH FLOOR
PUBLIC SESSION AGENDA December 1, 2009
10:00 a.m.**

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of October 6, 2009

II. OLD BUSINESS/REAGENDIZED

a. I/M/O Life Support Technologies, Inc.- Reagendized. (No insert)

III. NEW BUSINESS

a. E-mail from Laura Zesski, inquiring as to whether New Jersey Care regulations N.J.A.C.13:44F-3.1(b) and the Joint Commissions provision of care element PC.02.01.03., means that respiratory care practitioners in the State of New Jersey are able to take orders from physician assistants or nurse practitioners.

b. E-mail from Christopher Menichella, from Arcadian Healthcare, stating that his company recently had a JCAHO survey and the surveyor commented that most companies that she has surveyed in New Jersey are not using a respiratory care practitioner but techs to do CPAP and Bipap set-ups. In his last inquiry, the Board responded that this is not permitted in New Jersey.

c. E-mail from Ellen Calefati, inquiring as to whether it is within the “scope of practice” for a respiratory therapist to take a verbal order and transcribe it for hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

d. E-mail from Andrew Devlin, inquiring as to whether a respiratory care practitioner can change trache tubes in the home care setting.

e. Board of Respiratory Care Total Revenues for September, 2009.

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g. E-mail from Mary O’Brien, inquiring as to how to become a CEU Provider; whether courses developed for nursing could be taken by respiratory care practitioner and whether she can apply to the AARC for individual lecture.

IV. INFORMATIONAL/FYI

a. EDWARD M. McKENNA, Jr., Respiratory Care Therapist, passed away on Tuesday, October 20, 2009. He was 52 years old.

V. LEGISLATION/REGULATIONS

None.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

