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PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES TUESDAY, May 16, 2023 (9:30 A.M.)

Due to the current state of emergency, the May 16, 2023 meeting of the Board of Chiropractic Examiners will not be held at 124 Halsey, but remotely. Pursuant to the OPMA, N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.1, notice is being provided electronically within 48 hours of the scheduled meeting. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:30 am and can be accessed by the public from a computer, tablet or smartphone via the link below.

Lambros R Lambrou, D.C. Present
Uchenna Abba Onyeani, D.C. Present
Pasquale Pucciarelli, D.C. Present
John Traier Present
Kelly A. Blundy, DC Excused
Michael Kaufman, D.C. Excused

Also present were Barbara Lopez, Deputy Attorney General, Nancy Miller, Deputy Attorney General, Meghan Cordoma, Deputy Attorney General, John Passante, Deputy Attorney General and Lisa Tadeo, Executive Director and Amy Giovanetti, Government Representative.

Megan Cordoma, Deputy Attorney General, attended the beginning of the meeting to inform the Board that additional deputy attorney generals (DAG) will be working with each Board.

#### I. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board did not receive any public comments.

#### II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

#### A. April 18, 2023

A motion was made by Dr. Onyeani and seconded by Dr. Lambrou to approve the public session minutes of the April 18, 2023 Board meeting as amended. A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

### **III. CONTINUING EDUCATION**

The continuing education committee reviewed 2 courses for chiropractic assistant continuing education submitted by continuing education sponsors. The committee recommended that the 2 courses be approved based on the information submitted for these courses.

The continuing education committee reviewed 4 courses for chiropractic continuing education submitted by continuing education sponsors that are not on the pre-approved continuing education sponsor list. The committee recommended that the 4 courses be approved based on the information submitted for these courses.

A motion was made by Dr. Pucciarelli and seconded by Dr. Onyeani to approve the 6 courses as recommended by the committee. A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

# IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- A. Applications for Licensure
  - 1. Barbara Ann DeValerio

A motion was made by Dr. Pucciarelli and seconded by Dr. Onyeani to approve Ms. Devalerio's application for licensure and to proceed with the application process. A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

B. Inquiry from Joseph C. D'Angiolillo, DC RE: Continuing Education

Dr. D'Angiolillo informed the Board that he published two articles and inquired if he could be granted more than 12 continuing education credits pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44E-1A.5g(5)ii.

A motion was made by Dr. Pucciarelli and seconded by Dr. Onyeani to inform Dr. D'Angiolillo that 12 continuing education credits can be used towards the continuing education requirement. If he wants the Board to consider granting him more than 12 credits he must submit the supporting documentation including references that substantiate his request for the additional credits. A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

C. Inquiry from Adam Passamonti of National Insurance RE: Prescriptions

Mr. Passamonti inquired if a chiropractor could write prescriptions for medications.

A motion was made by Dr. Pucciarelli and seconded by Dr. Onyeani to inform Mr. Passamonti that chiropractors are not permitted to write prescriptions for medication pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-14.5(b). A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

D. DCW-W-2020-04. Temporary waiver of in-person continuing education during the public health emergency.

The Chiropractic Board is one of the 16 professional boards which are identified on the Division of Consumer Affairs website, *rule waiver (DCA-W-2020-04,)* that waives the in-person continuing education coursework for the duration of the public health emergency. That wavier was subsequently extended by Executive Order.

A motion was made by Dr. Pucciarelli and seconded by Dr. Lambrou to allow licensees to complete the 30 required continuing education credits via distance learning continuing education coursework until the end of the renewal period which is August 31, 2023 in the event the state of emergency ends prior to August 31, 2023.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Dr. Onyeani and seconded by Mr. Traier to adjourn the public session at 10:07 am. A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0.

The Board will discuss applications for licensure and reinstatement, matters involving investigations of violations of the Board's enabling act, the Uniform Enforcement Act and/or Board regulations in Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Tadeo Executive Director