AGENDA CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 1:30 PM Legislative Office Building – ROOM 1-C 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford Connecticut

CALL TO ORDER

I. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

November 21, 2017

II. OPEN FORUM

III. UPDATES

- A. Chair Updates
- B. DPH Updates

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

- A. Joseph Earles, MD Review of License Application Presented by Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst
- B. Anne Marie Finegan, MD Review of License Application Presented by Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst

V. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE

- A. Paul Bellofiore, M.D. Petition No. 2016-1280 Presentation of Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges based on license surrender David Tilles, Staff Attorney, DPH
- B. David Pearlstone, M.D. Petition No. 2016-593 Presentation of Consent Order – David Tilles, Staff Attorney, DPH
- C. Usman Ramzan, M.D. Petition No. 2017-367 Presentation of Consent Order – Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, DPH

ADJOURN

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CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD MINUTES of November 21, 2017

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board held a meeting on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at the Legislative Office Building, 300 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in conference room 1-C.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson Raymond Andrews, Jr., Esq. Carol Ekonomides, PA Robert Green, MD Michele Jacklin Marilyn Katz, MD Edward McAnaney, Esq. Brimal Patel, MD C. Steven Wolf, MD Andrew Yuan, DO Peter Zeman, MD

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Allyson Duffy, MD Joseph Kaliko, Esq. Jean Rexford Daniel Rissi, MD

Ms. Emmett called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

I. <u>MINUTES</u>

The draft minutes of the September 19, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, to approve the minutes. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Katz, Mr. Andrews and Ms. Jacklin who abstained.

II. OPEN FORUM

None

III. <u>UPDATES</u>

A. <u>Chair Updates</u>

The index of pending cases was reviewed.

B. <u>Department of Public Health</u> None

IV. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. Joseph Earles, MD – Review of License Application

Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst, Department of Public Health presented a license application of Joseph Earles, MD. The Board reviewed the application to determine if Dr. Earles' education and training (which occurred outside the United States) qualify him for licensure in Connecticut. Following discussion Dr. Yuan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf to table this matter to allow for the presentation of additional information. The motion passed unanimously.

B. <u>Physician Reentry to Practice</u>

Kathleen Boulware, Department of Public Health Practitioner Investigation Unit discussed the process for reinstating the license for physicians who have been out of practice for an extended period of time. The Board was provided with guidelines established by the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). The Board requests that the FSMB guidelines be included in all future license reinstatement requests that are provided to the Board for review.

Mr. McAnaney arrive at 1:44 p.m.

V. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE

A. Stephen Zebrowski, M.D. - Petition No. 2015-248

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Jonathan Kocienda was present on behalf of Dr. Zebrowski.

Dr. Yuan made a motion, seconded by Mr. McAnaney, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand and a 1 year period of probation.

B. Donald Berman, M.D. Petition No. 2016-371

Staff Attorney David Tilles, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present nor represented.

Mr. McAnaney made a motion, seconded by Dr. Yuan to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Green who was recused. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand.

C. <u>Ernest Mar, M.D. – Petition No. 2017-367</u>

Staff Attorney Diane Wilan, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present nor represented.

Dr. Zeman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Katz, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand.

D. James Kessler, M.D. Petition No. 2017-646

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present nor represented.

Mr. McAnaney made a motion, seconded by Dr. Wolf, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand.

E. Marjan Hedayatzadeh, MD. Petition No. 2016-677

Staff Attorney David Tilles, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was present with Attorney Erika Amarante.

Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Dr. Katz, to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand and a \$5000.00 civil penalty.

VI. 120 DAY EXTENSIONS

Prem Nath, MD - Petition No. 2009-20091373.

This hearing in this matter has been continued a number of times due respondent's chronic illness. Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Mr. McAnaney, to grant a 120 day extension. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson