

**State of Maryland  
Board of Environmental Health Specialists**



**Open Session Agenda**

**DECEMBER 4, 2024 BOARD MEETING, GOOGLE VIRTUAL  
10:00 AM**

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**Call to order** – Sherry Williams, Board Chair

**Roll Call**

**ADJUSTMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**ITEM 1**      **Review for approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

**1(a).** Open Session Minutes from the October 2, 2024 Board Meeting for review and approval.  
**(Attachment)**

**ITEM 2**      **Board Chair Report**

**Sherry Williams**

**2(a).** Exempt classifications – exemptions from licensure.

**ITEM 3**      **Legislative/Regulations Committee: Sherry Williams and Kevin Barnaba**  
No Report.

**ITEM 4**      **Executive Director Report**

**James Merrow**

**4(a).** Welcome to new Board Member, Esther Peter; Consumer Representation.

**4(b).** Vacant Board position – Representation Local Health Department.

**4(c).** John Pizzurro has joined the Board's Investigator Team with Troy Pumphrey.

**4(e).** Board Member Ethics Training.

**ITEM 5**      **Credentialing**

**5(a).** Request for in-training certificate extension for Sade Gowens.      **(Attachments)**

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**ITEM 6**      **Work Force Work Group: Naomi Howell, Bonnie Harbin and Mia Lowery**

**6(a).** Environmental Health Specialist Apprenticeship is now live and information has been posted on Morgan State University's. <https://www.morgan.edu/college-of-interdisciplinary-and-continuing-studies/centers-and-initiatives/ehs-apprenticeship-program>

**ITEM 7**      **Continuing Education Committee: Bonnie Harbin and Mia Lowery**  
No Report.

**ITEM 8**      **Statistics from the licensing database and Exam Information:**

**8(a).**

1. Active Seasonal Certificates – 19
2. Active Licensed Environmental Health Specialists - 484
3. Active In-Training Certificates – 102
4. Active Certificate of Eligibility Certificates – 166

**8(b).** Number of Exam passing scores since the October 2, 2024 Meeting – 4

**8(d).** Number of failing scores since the October 2, 2024 Meeting - 8

**8(c). Initial Licenses Issued (1)**

1. Ari Cacopardo

**8(b). License Reactivation (0)**

**8(c). Certificates of Eligibility Issued (18)**

1. Asha Amollo
2. Godfred Opoku
3. Lean Thweatt
4. Kayla Johnson
5. Sherifat Rufai
6. Odochi Egesia
7. JaMya McNeal
8. Andrea Civil
9. Taryn Peksa
10. Matthew Collinson
11. Owen Keys
12. Stacey Carver
13. Emmanuel Diyoke
14. Shiakh Ali
15. David Henry
16. Marianna Peplinski
17. Finan Adamson
18. Toya Raffington-Garrett

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**8(d). In-Training Certificates Issued (3)**

1. William Cheatham
2. Nicholas Papavasiliou
3. Odochi Egesia

**8(e). Seasonal/Summer/Youth Camp In-Training Certificates (0)**

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Adjourn