

**BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS  
OPEN SESSION MEETING  
MINUTES**

**June 13, 2013  
Room 110**

The Open Session meeting of the Maryland Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (Board) was held on Thursday, June 13, 2013, in Room 110, 4201 Patterson Avenue. The meeting was called to order at 1:08 P.M., by Board President Dr. Tanya Sellers-Hannibal.

Additionally, Board members present included: Drs. Jay LeBow, Craig Friedman, Zachary Chatter, and Todd Harrison. Public members of the Board present were Barbara Crosby, RN, BSN and Jay Boyar, EdS.

Staff present: Richard Bloom, AAG, Board Counsel, Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, Sheri Henderson, Administrative Officer and Elizabeth Amspacher, Licensing Coordinator.

Guests present: Paula Hollinger, DHMH, Kristen Neville, Boards and Commission, and Harold Glazer, D.P.M., visiting Maryland licensed podiatrist.

**A. MINUTES:**

**1. Approval of minutes from May 9, 2013, Meeting.**

The minutes of the May 9, 2013 meeting were approved as submitted.

**B. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Scope of Practice Inquiry- Mitchell Barber, D.P.M.**

The Board received an inquiry from Mitchell Barber, D.P.M, regarding whether or not owning and running a “weight loss program” out of a podiatrist’s office is viable.

After a discussion, the Board determined that it is not within the purview for a podiatrist to own and operate a weight loss program out of their office. However, the Board decided that it is appropriate for a podiatrist to sell commercially available non-prescription weight loss products out of their office to patients.

**C. NEW BUSINESS:**

**2. Inquiry- Aparna Duggirala-Deroy, D.P.M.**

The Board received an inquiry from Aparna Duggirala-Deroy, D.P.M. regarding whether or not podiatrists can offer medical pedicures in the office by a licensed nail technician.

The Board decided they would like to research the subject matter and make an inquiry to the Board of Cosmetology, thus further discussion was postponed on the topic until the next Board meeting on July 11, 2013.

## **2. Inquiry- Anthony Jimenez, PA-C**

The Board received an inquiry from Anthony Jimenez, PA-C regarding whether or not podiatrists are allowed to supervise/sponsor RNFA's or ARNP's in operating rooms as first assistants.

After a review of this matter, the Board determined that podiatrists can legally supervise/sponsor RNFA's and ARNP's as first assistants in the operating room.

## **3. Requirements for Licensure**

### **a. Residency Requirements**

The Board discussed the one year residency requirement to obtain a full license. It was decided that a subcommittee would be put together to research the requirement and determine if it needs to be changed to be more in line with Council of Podiatric Medical Education requirements. The committee will consist of Board President Dr. Tanya Sellers-Hannibal, Board Vice President Dr. Jay LeBow, Board member Dr. Zachary Chattler, and Kristen Neville, Boards and Commission.

### **b. State Licensure Affidavits**

The Board determined that online state licensure affidavits that accompany a license application will not be accepted. State licensure affidavits have to be an original copy from the state a podiatrist is licensed in.

## **4. Recommended Legislation for election of nominees to serve on the Board- HB 114 Section 1-215 (a-b)**

The Board was made aware that to be in compliance with HB 114 Section 1-215 (a-b), all Board vacancies must be made aware to all Maryland licensed podiatrists. Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, and Kristen Neville, Boards and

Commission, will work together to develop a proposed legislative draft to accomplish such.

### **5. Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program**

The Board was given a copy of the Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program for informational purposes.

### **6. Review for eligibility for FULL License:**

**a. Danielle Venegonia, D.P.M.**

**b. Asma Khan, D.P.M.**

The Board reviewed and approved the issuance of a Full license for the above applicants.

### **D. OTHER**

Board President Dr. Tanya Sellers-Hannibal informed the Board of a meeting that was held with the Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) and Secretary Sharfstein, about starting a residency program in Maryland. Richard Bloch, Executive Director MPMA, and Eva Schwartz, Executive Director, were also present. Mr Bloch was encouraged to talk to hospitals in Maryland that may be interested in establishing a residency program. The HSCRC may help an interested hospital with partial funds, depending on the circumstances. The attendees were advised that they needed to identify the interested hospitals to agree to develop a residency program accordingly.

**With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.**

CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Maryland State Government Annotated "10-501 et seq." the Board unanimously approved a motion to close its meeting at 2:42 p.m., in room 110 for the purpose of complying with the Maryland Medical Practice Act that prevents public disclosures about particular proceedings or matters.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay H. Boyar, Secretary/Treasurer

