

**AGENDA**  
**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**  
**Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 1:30 PM**  
**Department of Public Health Complex – 470-C**  
**410-470 Capitol Avenue, Hartford Connecticut**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March 20, 2018

**II. OPEN FORUM**

**III. UPDATES**

- A. Chair Updates
- B. DPH Updates

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

Proposed Memorandum of Decision  
Mohan Kaza, MD - Petition No. 2015-1108

**V. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE**

- A. Brian Malone, M.D. - Petition No. 2018-328  
*Motion for Summary Suspension – David Tilles, Staff Attorney, DPH*
- B. Thomas D'Amato, M.D. - Petition No. 2017-1109  
*Presentation of Consent Order – Brittany Allen, Staff Attorney, DPH*
- C. Joel Zaretsky, M.D. - Petition No. 2017-316  
*Presentation of Consent Order – David Tilles, Staff Attorney, DPH*
- D. Naimetulla Syed, M.D. - Petition No. 2017-716  
*Presentation of Consent Order – David Tilles, Staff Attorney, DPH*

**VI. 120 DAY EXTENSIONS**

Anthony Quinn, MD – Petition No. 2012-518

**ADJOURN**

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD  
MINUTES of March 20, 2018**

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board held a meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at the Department of Public Health Complex, 470 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in conference room 470- A/B.

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson  
Raymond Andrews, Jr., Esq.  
Allyson Duffy, MD  
Carol Ekonomides, PA  
Marie C. Eugene, DO  
Robert Green, MD  
Michele Jacklin  
Marilyn Katz, MD  
Edward McAnaney, Esq.  
Daniel Rissi, MD  
C. Steven Wolf, MD  
Peter Zeman, MD

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Joseph Kaliko, Esq.  
Brimal Patel, MD  
Jean Rexford  
Andrew Yuan, DO

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Ms. Emmett called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

**I. MINUTES**

The draft minutes of the January 16, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Wolf made a motion, seconded by Dr. Green, to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

**II. OPEN FORUM**

None

**III. UPDATES**

A. Chair Updates

1. Monthly tracking of pending cases.
2. Hearing assignments.

B. Department of Public Health

Christian Andresen, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations, Department of Public Health provided an update of the following legislation:

Senate Bill 300 - AN ACT CONCERNING COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND PHYSICIANS

House Bill - AN ACT CONCERNING NATUROPATHS

House Bill 5214 - AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER VACCINES AND NEBULIZER TREATMENTS

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Joseph Earles, MD – Review of License Application

Stephen Carragher, Public Health Services Manager, Department of Public Health Office of Licensure and Certification presented a license application of Joseph Earles, MD. The Board reviewed this application at its November 21, 2017, December 19, 2017 and January 16, 2018 meetings at which time the Board requested that additional information be submitted.

Mr. Carragher provided an explanation of the application why the DPH was asking for the Board's review in this matter.

Wendell G. Yarbrough, MD, Professor and Chief, Section of Otolaryngology, Yale University School of Medicine was present requesting approval of Dr. Earles application.

Following discussion Dr. Wolf made a motion, seconded by Dr. Green recommending approval of the application in that Dr Earles' experience and training are equivalent to at least two (2) years of progressive, post-graduate medical training as a resident physician. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Oral Argument - Proposed Memorandum of Decision

David Parnas, MD - Petition No. 2014-413

Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro was present to provide counsel to the Board. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina was present for the Department of Public Health. Dr. Parnas was present without representation.

Upon advice from counsel, Mr. Andrews made a motion seconded by Ms. Jacklin, to grant a Department motion to exclude certain documents submitted by respondent for review by the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Comments were heard from Dr. Parnas and Attorney Fazzina regarding the proposed decision. Mr. Andrews made a motion, seconded by Mr. McAnaney, to adopt the Memorandum of Decision as written. The motion passed with all in favor except Dr. Green who abstained.

Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a period of suspension with a five year concurrent probation.

**V. OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE**

A. Elvin Griffith, M.D. - Petition No. 2016-1029

Linda Fazzina, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was present with Attorney Richard Tynan.

Dr. Rissi made a motion, seconded by Mr. McAnaney to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed with all in favor except Ms. Jacklin who was opposed, and Dr. Katz who abstained. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand, a four month probation and a \$1000.00 civil penalty.

B. Craig Hecht, M.D. - Petition No. 2017-130

Joelle Newton, Staff Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was not present and was not represented.

Mr. McAnaney made a motion, seconded by Dr. Green to adopt the Consent Order. The motion passed with all in favor except Ms. Jacklin who was opposed. Ms. Emmett signed the Order which imposes a reprimand and a \$3500.00 civil penalty.

C. David Shenker, M.D. - Petition No. 2017-643

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health, presented a Consent Order in this matter. Respondent was present but was not represented.

Mr. Andrews 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.

VI. **120 DAY EXTENSIONS**

Prem Nath, MD – Petition No. 2009-20091373

Hearing continued at Respondent's requests due to illness

Dr. Green made a motion, seconded by Mr. McAnaney, to grant a 120 day extension in this matter. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT**

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Emmett, Esq., Chairperson