

899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2ND FLR.
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

April 7, 2022

9:30 am

OPEN SESSION MINUTES
(VIA ZOOM MEETING DUE TO THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY)

Board of Pharmacy Mission Statement:

“To protect and improve the public health through the efficient and effective regulation of the practice of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Detailing; through the licensure of Pharmacists, Pharmaceutical Detailers, Pharmacy Interns, and Pharmacy Technicians.”

CALL TO ORDER: 9:38am

PRESIDING: Dr. Tamara McCants

BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	DR. TAMARA McCANTS, PHARM.D. R.PH CHAIRPERSON	PRESENT
	MR. ALAN FRIEDMAN, R.PH, VICE CHAIRPERSON	ABESENT
	DR. BENJAMIN MILES, PHARM.D. R.PH	PRESENT
	DR. ASHLEE BOW, PHARM.D. R.PH	PRESENT
	DR. ALLISON HILL, PHARM.D. R.PH	PRESENT
	MS. DONAE MAGETT, CONSUMER MEMBER	PRESENT-During the Hearing
STAFF:	DR. JUSTIN ORTIQUE, INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	PRESENT
	KARIN BARRON, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	PRESENT
	LUANNE GREENAWAY, PROGRAM SPECIALIST	ABSENT
	COUNTEE GILLIAM, BOARD INVESTIGATOR	PRESENT
LEGAL STAFF:	CARLA WILLIAMS, SENIOR ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	PRESENT
VISITORS:	DON ZAWADER	
	FESTUS OPARA	
	ANGELA BRYANT	
	LISA LE GETTE	
	LAUREN PAUL	
	JOANNE DIAL	
	JESSICA ADAMS	
	MARIE BIBUM	
	DANAE MAGETT	
	AA STEPHANIE ORTIZ	
	SHANI BROWN	
	CHRIS SOUTHCOTT	
	ANTHONY P. CELO	
	GARY KOHLMAN	
	Charles Coughin	
	KIMBERLY JOHNSON	
	AAC PRISCILLA GUERRER	

Open Session Agenda

Quorum: Yes

Introduction:	Introduction of New Consumer Member, Ms. Donae Magett.- arrived at 11am	Dr. Tamara McCants
0407-O-01	<p><u>Approval of the Open Session Meeting Minutes for:</u></p> <p>February 3, 2022 March 3, 2022</p> <p>Motion: Dr. Ashley Bow moves the Board to approve February and March open session minutes. Seconded by: Dr. Benjamin Miles.</p> <p>Roll Call Attendance: Dr. Benjamin Miles Dr. Ashlee Bow Dr. Allison Hill Absent Dr. Alan Friedman and Donae Magett (Consumer Member)</p>	
<u>Consent Agenda</u>	None	
<u>Chairperson Report</u>	<p><u>Discussion of New Covid Guidelines</u> Pharmacists are encouraged to vaccinate individuals over 50 years of age with Covid Booster dose and other recommend vaccines for this age group.</p> <p>Announcement of annual NABP (National Board of Pharmacy) conference in May 2022 located in Phoenix Arizona. Interested persons (members/open to public) are asked to inform Dr. McCants or Dr. Ortique.</p>	Dr. Tamara McCants
<u>Executive Director Report</u>	<p><u>Statistical Report on Pharmacy professionals in the District of Columbia</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pharmacists: 2,092 ▪ Pharmacists with Vaccination and Immunization Authority: 758 ▪ Pharmacy Interns: 794 ▪ Pharmacy Technicians: 980 ▪ Pharmacy Technician Trainees: 207 ▪ Pharmacy Technician Training Programs: 15 ▪ Pharmaceutical Detailers: 483 <p><u>Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Updates</u> All Pharmacist are reminded to register for the Prescription Drug monitoring Program (PDMP). Information regarding registration can</p>	Dr. Justin Ortique

	<p>be found on https://dchealth.dc.gov/service/prescription-drug-monitoring-program.</p> <p>DCRx (DC Center for Rational Prescribing)</p> <p>DCRX continuing to publish continuing education credit courses, all which can be reviewed at https://dchealth.dc.gov/dcrx</p> <p>Current Course- Vaccine Communication-posting coming soon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slide show of VOMS training and help desk resources provided 	
<u>Senior Assistant General Counsel Report</u>		Ms. Carla Williams
0407-O-02	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address final rule making of pharmacy control division Chapter 19. Encouraging all pharmacists to comply with regulations in USP (chapter 795, 797, 800 & 825) 9 pg. document • Ensure security measures are in place for video surveillance and monitoring • New practice guidelines for licensed pharmacists to disclose active engagement with sterile pharmaceuticals • Explore additional areas the Board would like to consider addressing. Need to determine what can be done with existing regulations and current authority to make changes and then decide what needs to be added. 	Ms. Carla Williams
<u>Subcommittee Reports</u>		
0407-O-03	<p><u>Legislative and Regulatory Subcommittee Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resumed monthly committee meetings last week. • Reviewed survey results-pharmacy workplace and environment conducted in January 2022. Further analysis underway to compare answers relative to different practice settings and roles. • Members plan to suggest other regulatory related topics for possible review by the committee. • Asked for any questions or comments- None 	Dr. Benjamin Miles
0407-O-04	<p><u>Communications Subcommittee Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submitted NABP report and asked members to check their emails • Encouraged members and all stakeholders to provide suggestions and updates for topics of discussion for future newsletter publications 	Dr. Ashlee Bow
NABP E-Newsletter	<p><u>March 30, 2022</u></p> <p>DEA Will Now Grant Exceptions to Dispense MAT</p> <p>Register for FDA's Virtual Opioid Prescriber Educational Workshop</p>	Dr. Tamara McCants

	<p>Next DEA Take Back Day Is April 30 HHS Increases Funding for Substance Use Treatment Programs, MAT</p> <p>World Pharmacists Day 2022 Will Highlight Professional Unity</p> <p>National Public Health Week Celebrates Community</p> <p><u>March 16, 2022</u></p> <p>COVID-19 Test to Treat' Initiative Launches</p> <p>NABP and Pharmacy Groups Request FDA Remove Limits on Prescribing COVID-19 Treatments</p> <p>NABP Educates Consumers About Buying Medication Online and Social Media</p> <p>Former US Surgeon General Dr. Jerome Adams to Present Keynote Address at 118th NABP Annual Meeting</p> <p>Poison Prevention Week Encourages Providers to Raise Awareness on Importance of Storing Medications 'Up and Away'</p> <p>Note to the Public: To receive weekly updates from NABP, please sign up by using the following link: https://nabp.pharmacy/newsroom/news/.</p>	
<u>Comments from the Public</u>	None	
<u>Board Hearing</u>	<u>Marie Bibum, RPh. Hearing was held</u> <u>Start Time: 11:00 am</u>	
<u>Motion to Adjourn the Open Session</u>	<p>Motion: Board Member, Benjamin Miles moved as follows:</p> <p>"Madam Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14)."</p> <p>Seconded by: Dr. Allison Hill.</p> <p>Roll Call Vote:</p>	Ms. Carla Williams

	<p>Dr. Benjamin Miles: Votes in favor of the motion. Dr. Ashlee Bow: Votes in favor of the motion. Dr. Allison Hill: Votes in favor of the motion. Ms. Donae Magett: Votes in favor of the motion.</p> <p>Abstentions: None. Motion Carried.</p>	
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This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.

Open Session Meeting Adjourned at 3:23 PM.

This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.