

Vermont Board of Medical Practice

October 4, 2023

1311 US Route 302, Suite 200, Barre, VT 05641

And Remote Via Microsoft Teams

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11:00 AM Vermont Board of Medical Practice

- **Call to Order; Roll Call; Acknowledge Guests:**
- **Public Comment:**
- **Approval of Minutes of the September 6, 2023, and September 20, 2023, Board Meetings**
- **Board Issues (Dr. Hildebrant):**
- **Administrative Update (David Herlihy):**
- **Presentation of Applications:**
- **Other Business:**
 - **Approval of 2024 Board Meeting Calendar**
 - **1:00 PM – Vermont Practitioner Health Program – The VPHP Medical Director and other staff will present an overview and engage in a dialogue with members.**
 - **Optometry Scope of Practice Report from OPR – In 2019 Optometrists presented a request to the Vermont General Assembly to expand their scope of practice to allow certain procedures that they were not allowed to perform. The legislature ordered a review and report by the Office of Professional Regulation. The resulting report issued in 2020 recommended that the optometrist scope of practice not be expanded, and the General Assembly did not expand optometry scope of practice at that time. In 2023 OPR has again undertaken a review of optometrist scope of practice pursuant to a petition by optometrists. Public meetings were held and on August 30, 2023, the Executive Director presented the Board’s position as established during the 2020**

process. This is to share with the Board information about OPR's 2023 report, as indicated by a release about a forthcoming draft.

- Convene meeting; Executive Session to discuss:
 - Investigative cases recommended for closure
 - Other matters that are confidential by law; if any
 - Return to Open Session; Board Actions on matters discussed in Executive Session:
 - Board Actions on Committee recommendations regarding any non-confidential matters:
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- Upcoming Board meetings, Committee meetings, hearings, etc.: **Locations are subject to change. A notification will be provided if a change takes place.**
 - October 12, 2023, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM. **Remote via Teams.**
 - October 13, 2023, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM. **Remote via Teams.**
 - October 18, 2023, Board Meeting mid-month on pending applications, 12:10 PM. **Remote via Teams.**
 - October 18, 2023, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12:15 PM. **4th Floor Conference Room, Bloomer State Office Building, Rutland, VT and remote via Teams.**
 - November 1, 2023, Licensing Committee Meeting, 10:30 AM. **Remote via Teams.**
 - November 1, 2023, Board Meeting, 12:00 PM. **Remote via Teams.**
 - Open Forum:
 - Adjourn:
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Non-Board Members / General Public
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If you join the meeting during the time the Board is in Executive Session, the line will be open and monitored by staff. You are welcome to remain on the line until the Board returns to Open Session.

If you have any questions about this meeting, contact phone: (802) 657-4220 or email: AHS.VDHMedicalBoard@vermont.gov