

VERMONT BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE
Minutes of the April 1, 2026, Board Meeting
In Person at 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT 05671
Remote via Teams

Approved

- **Call to Order; Call the Roll; Acknowledge Guests:**

Dr. Matt Greenberg called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM

Members Present:

Matthew Greenberg, MD; Rob Ciappenelli; Evan Eyler, MD; Gail Falk; Peter Ireland, MD; Suzanne Jones, PA-C; Patricia King, MD; David Coddair, MD; Rachel Gaidys, MD; Stephanie Lorentz; Dawn Philibert; Judy Scott; Margaret Tandoh, MD; Robert Tortolani, MD; Scott Tucker.

Others in Attendance:

David Herlihy, Executive Director; Megan Campbell, AAG; Kurt Kuehl, AAG; Justin Sheng, AAG; Ron Hunt, MLOA; Scott Frennier, Investigator; Tracy Hayes, Public Health Specialist; Kelly Lawler, Administrative Services Tech IV.

- **Public Comment: N/A**

- **Approval of the Minutes of March 4, 2026, Board Meeting:**

D. Philibert moved to accept the minutes of the March 4, 2026, meeting. R. Ciappenelli seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

- **Board Issues:** Dr. Greenberg noted the board members attending the upcoming FSMB conference.

- **Administrative Updates (D. Herlihy):**

- Members were updated on the progress of the SRPS IT project. We went live on Monday March 23. The ongoing transition is going well and licensees are completing their initial account creation.
- D. Herlihy announced the hiring of My Nguyen as our new investigator. My starts on Monday April 6.

- **Convene hearing to discuss any stipulations or disciplinary matters that are before the Board**

Paul B. Jerard PA-C, MPS 013-0222 and MPS 204-1023, Hearing to approve a Stipulation and Consent Order

Kurt Kuehl, AAG, presented the Stipulation and Consent Order, which had been approved by the South Investigative Committee, to the Board for approval. The motion passed unanimously with the North Investigative committee and Dr. Eyster recused.

- **Other Business:**

- **Update on possible withdrawal of Michigan from the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (IMLC).**

The Michigan legislature voted to retain their membership in the IMLC.

- **Report by Dawn Philibert on FSMB meeting on trauma-informed regulation.**

Trauma-informed interviews with complainants was discussed. D. Philibert shared her experience on this topic from the FSMB meeting and shared slides with relevant talking points.

- **Overview of bills of interest to the Board pending in the Vermont General Assembly.**

- **H.237 An act relating to prescribing by doctoral-level psychologists**

This bill was passed by the House on 3/27/2025, then sent to the Senate and Referred to Senate Health and Welfare on 4/1/2025. It was passed out of Senate Health and Welfare with amendments on February 27, 2026, then referred to Senate Finance. The version as proposed by Senate Health and Welfare is at: [Amended version H237 out of SHW](#). The amendments included changes to the effective dates. The section allowing the Board of Psychological Examiners would be effective on July 1, 2026; the section authorizing qualifying doctoral-level psychologists to prescribe would be effective on July 1, 2029. The bill is on the agenda for Senate Finance version is Comm on Finance for "possible vote" on March 31, 2026.

S. Tucker made a motion to approve a statement from the Board in opposition to this bill. Dr. King seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- **S.64 An act relating to amendments to the scope of practice for optometrists**

Passed by Senate on March 27th with effective date of July 1, 2028. Will now go to House; probably will be sent to House Health Care.

Dr. Ireland made a motion to support the letter opposing this legislation. D. Philibert seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- **S.142 - An act relating to a pathway to licensure for internationally trained physicians and medical graduates**

Passed out of Senate Health and Welfare with recommendation for amendment on 3/20/2026, then reported favorably by Senate Finance and Appropriations on 3/24/2026. SHW passed amendment adding new provisions ordering VDH to prepare a study about other states' pathways for internationally trained physicians and make a report to SHW January 15, 2027. Amendment passed unanimously and as amended passed unanimously.

- **In short, the amendments would** keep the sections creating the alternative pathway for internationally trained physicians in place, but with the effective date delayed until July 1, 2028 and a requirement for VDH and the Board to prepare a report on: what other states have done on this; data about other state outcomes; VDH's proposals for licensing internationally trained physicians, and the resources needed. The as-amended version is on the calendar for Third Reading in the Senate 3/31/2026.

- The amendments proposed by Senate Health and Welfare are seen in the report from the [Journal of the Senate for March 27, 2026, at page 521](#) :

- *Bill Amended; Third Reading Ordered S. 142. Senator Benson, for the Committee on Health and Welfare, to which was referred Senate bill entitled: An act relating to a pathway to licensure for internationally trained physicians and medical graduates. Reported recommending that the bill be amended by striking out Sec. 4, effective dates, and inserting in lieu thereof two new sections to be Secs. 4 and 5 to read as follows:*

- *Sec. 4. ALTERNATIVE PATHWAY TO LICENSURE FOR INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL GRADUATES; REPORT (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Department of Health, in collaboration with the Board of Medical Practice, shall provide to the House Committees on Health Care and on Government Operations and Military Affairs and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Government Operations a report detailing a pathway to licensure for internationally trained physicians and medical graduates as an alternative to the pathway established in Sec. 2 of this act. The report shall include the following information: (1) a summary of other states' processes for licensing internationally trained physicians and medical graduates to practice medicine and, if available, data on the outcomes of these processes and related programs; (2) a description of the external resources needed to evaluate the education, experience, and examinations of internationally trained physicians and medical graduates and the availability of these resources; (3) a proposal for licensing internationally trained*

physicians and medical graduates to practice medicine in Vermont, including potential qualifications and supervision requirements for licensure, a summary of any additional resources and statutory authority needed, and a plan and timeline for implementing the licensing program; and (4) any additional information that the Department deems relevant to a robust consideration of the issues related to licensing internationally trained physicians and medical graduates to practice medicine in Vermont. (b) In preparing the report required by this section, the Department shall consult with other states that have implemented licensing programs for internationally trained physicians and medical graduates; the Vermont chapter of the NAACP; third-party credentialing services; the Vermont Medical Society; the Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems; and other advocacy organizations, researchers, and other entities whose expertise is relevant to developing the report.

- *Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATES (a) Secs. 1 (26 V.S.A. § 1391) and 2 (26 V.S.A. chapter 23, subchapter 3B) shall take effect on July 1, 2028. (b) Sec. 3 (rulemaking) shall take effect on July 1, 2027. (c) Secs. 4 (alternative pathway to licensure for internationally trained physicians and medical graduates; report) and this section shall take effect on passage. And that when so amended the bill ought to pass.*
- *Senator Gulick, for the Committee on Finance, to which the bill was referred, reported that the bill ought to pass when so amended. Senator Lyons, for the Committee on Appropriations, to which the bill was referred, reported that the bill ought to pass when so amended. Thereupon, the bill was read the second time by title only pursuant to Rule 43, the recommendation of amendment was agreed to and third reading of the bill was ordered.*
- **S.163 An act relating to the role of advanced practice registered nurses in hospital care**
Vermont law now requires each person admitted to a hospital on an in-patient basis to have a physician (MD or DO) as their attending. This bill would amend Vermont law to allow APRNs to act as the attending. The bill passed the Senate on 2/27/2026 and was referred to House Health Care. Dr. Greenberg was invited to testify and did so on 3/25/2026. Specifically, he was asked to speak to the Board's view on including PAs in the bill, to add them as authorized to act as a hospitalized patient's attending. He provided an overview of the education and training of physicians, APRNs, and PAs and noted that the Board would be discussing the bill at the April meeting. The version passed by the Senate is online at: [S-0163 As Passed by the Senate Unofficial.pdf](#).

- **Executive Session to Discuss:**

- Investigative cases recommended for closure
- Other matters that are confidential by law, if any

Dr. Tortolani made a motion to enter Executive Session at 2:20 PM to discuss confidential matters related to investigations. R. Ciappenelli seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; recused: none; abstained: none.

- **Return to Open Session: Board Action on matters discussed in Executive Session:**

D. Philibert, North Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPN 167-1225 – Letter #1
MPN 100-0725 – Letter #1

Dr. Tortolani made a motion to close the cases presented. R. Ciappenelli seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: North Investigative Committee.

G. Falk, Central Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPC 172-1225 – Letter #1
MPC 168-1225 – Letter #1
MPC 005-0126 – Special Letter #1
MPC 008-0126 – Letter #1
MPC 173-1225 – Letter #1

D. Philibert made a motion to close the cases presented. Dr. King seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: Central Investigative Committee.

S. Jones, PA-C South Investigative Committee, asked to close:

MPS 177-1225 – Special Letter #1

D. Philibert made a motion to close the cases presented. Dr. Coddair seconded the motion. The motion passed; opposed: none; abstained: none; recused: South Investigative Committee, and as noted above.

- **Upcoming Board meetings, committee meetings, hearings, etc.:** Locations are subject to change. A notification will be provided if a change takes place.
- **April 9, 2026, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM.**
[Remote via Teams and 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT](#)
- **April 10, 2026, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 9:00 AM IN PERSON** at 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT [Remote via Teams](#)
- **April 15, 2026, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12:00 PM.**
[Remote via Teams and 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT](#)
- **May 6, 2026, Licensing Committee Meeting, 10:30 AM.** [Remote via Teams and 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT](#)
- **May 6, 2026, Board Meeting, 12:00 PM.** [Remote via Teams and 280 State Drive, Waterbury, VT](#)
- **Open Forum: N/A**
- **Adjourn:**

Dr. Greenberg declared the meeting adjourned at 4:01 PM.

March Licenses Issued Appendix A

Credential	Name	Date Issued
042.0019311	Land, Matthew Reese	03/02/2026
042.0019312	Brooks, Carolyn Elizabeth	03/04/2026
042.0019313	Konstantinopoulos, Nektarios Treibt	03/04/2026
042.0019314	Matar, Abraham Jamil	03/04/2026
042.0019315	Shetty, Sanjay	03/04/2026
042.0019316	Wood, James Edward	03/04/2026
042.0019317	PATEL, UNNATI D	03/04/2026
042.0019322	Krakauer, Daniel Aaron	03/11/2026
042.0019323	Lakusta-Wong, Taylor Marika	03/11/2026
042.0019324	Pashaei-Marandi, Aryan Matthew	03/11/2026
042.0019325	Paul-Schultz, Jenna Susanna	03/11/2026
042.0019326	Uchida, Toshiko Lynne	03/11/2026
042.0019327	Kelly, Casey Kimberly	03/17/2026
042.0019328	Craft-Hacherl, Caitlin Elizabeth	03/18/2026
042.0019329	Konel, Jonathan Mathew	03/18/2026
055.0001601	Test Jones, Test Mary	03/19/2026
055.0031868	Andrew, Sean	03/04/2026
055.0031871	Hanson, Camille	03/13/2026
060.0006027	Siedem, Amanda	03/12/2026
060.0006028	Matthewson, Gordon	03/13/2026
042.0019292-COMP	Ali, Nauroz Ibrahim	03/02/2026
042.0019293-COMP	Davidson, Sasha Marie	03/02/2026
042.0019294-COMP	Elgamal, Ahmed	03/02/2026
042.0019295-COMP	Galic, Vijaya	03/02/2026
042.0019296-COMP	Gehris, Robin	03/02/2026
042.0019297-COMP	Hendry, Ronak Dana	03/02/2026
042.0019298-COMP	Johnson, Chelsea	03/02/2026
042.0019299-COMP	Kohen, Brian Rami	03/02/2026
042.0019300-COMP	Pena Santiago, Dayhana	03/02/2026
042.0019301-COMP	Rashid, Nauman Waheed	03/02/2026
042.0019302-COMP	Rezvankhoo, Kabir	03/02/2026
042.0019303-COMP	Siddiqi, Sara Waseem	03/02/2026

042.0019304-COMP	Sojan, Jerry	03/02/2026
042.0019305-COMP	Watson, Jennifer Marie	03/02/2026
042.0019306-COMP	Yezbak, Lisa	03/02/2026
042.0019307-COMP	Zhang, Yachao	03/02/2026
042.0019308-COMP	PATEL, MANHARKUMAR Manhar	03/02/2026
042.0019309-COMP	Panagiotakopoulos, Leonidas	03/02/2026
042.0019310-COMP	CONNOLLY, KEVIN RYAN	03/02/2026
042.0019318-COMP	Chau, Thirath	03/09/2026
042.0019319-COMP	Dietrich, Karl	03/09/2026
042.0019320-COMP	Hand, Steven Casey	03/09/2026
042.0019321-COMP	Siddiqui, Mohammed Saif	03/09/2026
042.0040000-COMP	Louis, Linda Moleon	03/24/2026
042.0040001-COMP	Cottler, Edward Harris	03/24/2026
042.0040002-COMP	Jaramillo Gutierrez de Elliott, Helen Rosario	03/24/2026
042.0040003-COMP	Kongoasa, Nicholas	03/25/2026
042.0040004-COMP	Sellers, Jason Neal	03/25/2026
042.0040005-COMP	Patel, Viral Champak	03/25/2026
042.0040006-COMP	Carter, Michael	03/25/2026
042.0040007-COMP	Craig, Micah Andrew	03/25/2026
042.0040008-COMP	Barron, Adam	03/25/2026
042.0040009-COMP	Barron, Renanit	03/25/2026
042.0040010-COMP	McGarry, Jonathon Howard	03/25/2026
042.0040011-COMP	Satyanarayana, Neha	03/25/2026
042.0040012-COMP	Eagle, Janine Rauch	03/25/2026
042.0040013-COMP	Whitling, David Michael	03/25/2026
042.0040014-COMP	Ruch, Nathanael	03/25/2026
042.0040015-COMP	Bryll-Perzan, Ewelina Wiktoria	03/25/2026
042.0040016-COMP	Beltre, Jo Ann	03/25/2026
042.0040017-COMP	Lavrich, Pamela	03/25/2026
042.0040018-COMP	Moon, Tiffany Sun	03/25/2026
042.0040019-COMP	Woods, Justin David	03/25/2026
042.0040020-COMP	Chaudhari, Chirag Raysang	03/25/2026
042.0040021-COMP	Lewallen, Linda L	03/25/2026
042.0040022-COMP	Parker, Rachel	03/25/2026
042.0040023-COMP	Balin, Arthur Kirsner	03/25/2026
042.0040024-COMP	Thompson, Mandy Malynn	03/25/2026
042.0040025-COMP	Hall, Christopher Scott	03/25/2026

042.0040026-COMP	Gonzalez, Javier	03/25/2026
042.0040027-COMP	Sulur, Paulgun	03/25/2026
042.0040028-COMP	Harding, Robert Lee	03/25/2026
042.0040029-COMP	Kuzma, Marcin	03/25/2026
042.0040030-COMP	Lindman, Jonathan Paul	03/25/2026
042.0040031-COMP	Schnebelen, Alicia Marie	03/25/2026
042.0040032-COMP	Patel, Timil Hitesh	03/25/2026
042.0040033-COMP	Perkins, Randa	03/25/2026
042.0040034-COMP	Chung, Christopher Lim	03/25/2026
042.0040035-COMP	Fox, Daniel Kenneth	03/25/2026
042.0040036-COMP	Madril, Amy Christine	03/25/2026
042.0040037-COMP	Gu, Fei	03/25/2026
042.0040038-COMP	Talakkottur, Charles David	03/25/2026
042.0040039-COMP	Elgamal, Ahmed Hasan	03/25/2026
042.0040040-COMP	Labat, Eduardo Jose	03/25/2026
042.0040041-COMP	Ziegler, Rachel Marie	03/25/2026
042.0040042-COMP	Puttgen, Hans Adrian	03/25/2026
042.0040043-COMP	Landau, Mary Elizabeth	03/25/2026
042.0040044-COMP	DeVisser, Michael Canney	03/25/2026
042.0040045-COMP	Snyder, Michael Alan	03/25/2026
042.0040046-COMP	Hawkins, Brian Joel	03/25/2026
042.0040047-COMP	Ramasamy, Arun Kumar	03/25/2026
042.0040048-COMP	Gul, Sofia	03/25/2026
042.0040049-COMP	Bender, Sean Patrick	03/25/2026
042.0040050-COMP	Chism Buggs, LaRissa	03/25/2026
042.0040051-COMP	Gonzalez, Larissa Medina	03/25/2026
042.0040052-COMP	Jackson, Karen Sproull	03/25/2026
042.0040054-COMP	Morhardt, Duncan Rogers	03/31/2026
042.0040055-COMP	Bezza, Degesew	03/31/2026
042.0040056-COMP	Kumar, Akash	03/31/2026
042.0040057-COMP	Glassford, Kenneth James	03/31/2026
042.0040058-COMP	Evans, Brad Allen	03/31/2026