

VERMONT BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE  
June 3, 2020

\*\*\*\*\***REMOTE PARTICIPATION**\*\*\*\*\*  
(Dial: 802-391-9319; Conference ID#: 737643042)

11:00 a.m. Licensing Committee

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12:00 p.m. Vermont Board of Medical Practice

1. Call to Order; Call the Roll; Acknowledge Guests:
2. Public Comment:
3. Approval of Minutes of the May 6 and May 20, 2020 Board Meetings:
4. Board Issues (Dr. Bernstein):
5. Administrative Update (Mr. Herlihy):
6. Presentation of Applications:
7. Other Business:
  - **Extension of Effective Date of Act 91 regarding emergency provisions for the COVID-19 state of emergency.** Some of the emergency authorities created in the law are in force only so long as there is a declared state of emergency. The General Assembly has been asked to amend the law to extend the effective date to a date sometime in 2021. Discussion and request for Board position on how long those provisions should extend (primary issues of concern are the different forms of emergency licenses).
  - **Posted actions and profiles of deceased licensees** – a question has arisen as to whether actions taken against licensees who subsequently die during the ten-year period when actions are posted on the Board website should continue to be posted after staff learns of the death.
  - **CME requirements and renewal process for MD licenses expiring on November 30, 2020** - many state licensing boards have suspended or modified CME requirements during the COVID-19 state of emergency. Some states have extended licenses or delayed the expiration date/renewal process for licenses. Discussion and request for Board position as to whether there should be such changes for the Vermont MD renewal.

- i. **FSMB link to the list of US States/Territories Modifying Licensure Requirement for Physician Response to COVID-19:**  
<http://www.fsmb.org/siteassets/advocacy/pdf/state-emergency-declarations-licensures-requirementscovid-19.pdf>
  - ii. **FSMB link to the list of States Modifying CME Requirements in Response to COVID-19:** <http://www.fsmb.org/siteassets/advocacy/pdf/states-modifying-continuing-medical-education-requirements.pdf>
- **Appointment of IMLCC Commissioner** – each member state has two Commissioners to act as representatives on the IMLCC. States such as Vermont that have split allopathic and osteopathic boards have one Commissioner from each board. The statute calls for Commissioners to be public or MD members of member boards, or the executive director ([26 VSA §1420K\(d\)](#)). The Board will be asked to make a recommendation to the Commissioner of Health regarding the appointment.
- **FSMB notice regarding suspension of USMLE Step 2 CS (Clinical Skills) portion of the USMLE.**
- **Legislative Update** - information about status of bills of interest to the Board.
8. **Convene hearing to discuss any stipulations or disciplinary matters that are before the Board (1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.)**
  - **In re: Robert Mitchell, PA-C – Stipulation and Consent Order – MPC 059-0618 & MPC 009-0219**
  - **In re: Jessica Biggie, MD – Request for Relief of Conditions – Licensing Matter**
9. **Reconvene meeting; Executive Session to Discuss:**
  - **Investigative cases recommended for closure**
  - **Other matters that are confidential by law, if any**
10. **Return to Open Session; Board Actions on matters discussed in Executive Session:**
11. **Board Actions on Committee recommendations with regard to any non-confidential matters:**
12. **Upcoming Board meetings, committee meetings, hearings, etc.: *(Locations are subject to change. You will be notified if a change takes place.)***
  - **June 11, 2020, North Investigative Committee Meeting, 9 a.m., (Remote)**
  - **June 12, 2020, Central Investigative Committee Meeting, 9 a.m., (Remote)**

- June 17, 2020, Board meeting on pending applications, 12:10 p.m., (Remote)
- June 17, 2020, South Investigative Committee Meeting, 12:00 p.m., (Remote)
- July 1, 2020, Licensing Committee Meeting, 11:00 a.m., TBD
- July 1, 2020, Board Meeting, 12 p.m., TBD

13. Open Forum:

14. Adjourn:

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**NON-BOARD MEMBERS/GENERAL PUBLIC PLEASE NOTE:**

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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, you may contact: 802-657-4220 or email: [AHS.VDHMedicalBoard@vermont.gov](mailto:AHS.VDHMedicalBoard@vermont.gov).