

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board

November 19-20, 2014

**1203 Front Street
Raleigh, North Carolina**

General Session Minutes of the North Carolina Medical Board Meeting Held November 19-20, 2014.

The North Carolina Medical Board met November 19-20, 2014, at the Board's Office, 1203 Front Street, Raleigh, NC 27609. Cheryl L. Walker-McGill, MD, President, called the meeting to order. Board members in attendance were: Pascal O. Udekwu, MD, President-Elect; Eleanor E. Greene, MD, Secretary/Treasurer; Subhash C. Gumber, MD; Mr. Michael Arnold; H. Diane Meelheim, FNP-BC; Debra A. Bolick, MD; Timothy E. Lietz, MD; Barbara E. Walker, DO; Mr. A. Wayne Holloman; Bryant A. Murphy, MD and Judge Ralph A. Walker, LLB.

Presidential Remarks

Dr. Walker-McGill commenced the meeting by reminding the Board members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest with respect to any matters coming before the board as required by the State Government Ethics Act. No conflicts were reported.

Minute Approval

Motion: A motion passed to approve the September 17, 2014 Board Minutes and the October 16, 2014 Hearing Minutes.

Instillation Ceremony and New Officers Oath

Dr. Paul Camnitz administered the Oath of Office for President of the NC Medical Board to Dr. Cheryl L. Walker-McGill.

Dr. Walker-McGill administered the Oath of Office for President-Elect to Dr. Pascal O. Udekwu and Secretary/Treasurer to Dr. Eleanor E. Greene. She also administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Bryant A. Murphy and Judge Ralph A. Walker as new members of the Board.

Announcements

1. Ms. Jean Fisher-Brinkley, Director Public Affairs, introduced Ms. Sydney Little as the new Public Affairs Coordinator.
2. Mr. Michael Arnold gave an update on the Citizen's Advocacy Center (CAC) meeting he attended.
3. Mr. Wayne Holloman gave an update on the Public member's Internship he attended.
4. Dr. Pascal Udekwu and Ms. Diane Meelheim gave an update on the CPEP Learning Summit they attended.
5. Dr. James Winslow gave a presentation regarding a request to expand the EMS formulary.
6. Ms. Laura Bingham gave an update on the Board's Strategic Plan.
7. Dr. Warren Pendergast, Medical Director, NC Physicians Health Program, gave the PHP Compliance Committee report.
8. Dr. Eleanor Greene gave an update on the NCPHP Board of Director's meeting.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Members present were: Cheryl L. Walker-McGill, MD, Chairperson; Pascal O. Udekwu, MD; Eleanor E. Greene, MD; Timothy E. Lietz, MD; and Mr. Michael J. Arnold.

Open Session

1) Financial Statements

a) Monthly Accounting

The Committee reviewed the compiled financial statements for August 2014 and September 2014. September is the eleventh month of fiscal year 2014.

Committee Recommendation: Accept the financial statements as reported.

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee's recommendation.

b) Investment Account Statements

The Committee reviewed the investment statements for September and October 2014.

Committee Recommendation: Accept the investment account report as information.

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee's recommendation.

2) Old Business

a) Task Tracker

The Committee reviewed outstanding items on the Task Tracker report.

Committee Recommendation:

- i. Regarding the Key Performance Indicator (KPI) Program: Each department to continue reporting quantitative and qualitative KPIs information to the appropriate committees. Also, the Executive Director to periodically report how the KPI program has impacted the Medical Board's licensing and regulatory efforts and whether specific KPIs should be added or removed.
- ii. Regarding the Board's legislative efforts, pursue passage of the same legislative package as reflected in the draft proposed committee substitute for House Bill 677 from the 2014 session.
- iii. Regarding the concerns expressed by the Cumberland County Medical Society in its October 6, 2014, letter:
 - Decline the request to publish another Maintenance of Licensure (MOL) article in the Forum explaining why the Board has decided not to pursue MOL
 - Extract the September 2011 retreat notes from the November 2011 meeting minutes (pages 37 – 47), create separate retreat minutes, and redact retreat survey responses from January 2012 minutes (pages 20 –

24)

- Decline the request to review the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) evidence library in support of MOL and formally opine on whether it represents valid science or academic misconduct/fraud since the Board has decided not to pursue the MOL program recommended by FSMB

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee's recommendations.

b) Property Update

Mr. John Kerr of York Properties provided the Committee with an update regarding his efforts to sell the Board's property at 1203 Front Street.

Committee Recommendation: Accept as information.

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee's recommendation.

3) New Business

a) Periodic Review of Administrative Rules (HB74) (See Appendix M)

House Bill 74, passed in the 2013 Session of the North Carolina Legislature, requires all state agencies, including occupational licensing boards, to review their rules every ten years to determine whether any are no longer relevant or necessary.

Staff has reviewed the NCMB rules and designated each one as either: (1) Necessary with substantive public interest, (2) Necessary without substantive public interest, or (3) Unnecessary. (See attached.)

Committee Recommendation: Approve the proposed designation for each rule - subject to the full Board's review of the rationale for designating certain rules as unnecessary - and submit the attached report to the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee's recommendation.

b) Reappointment of Wayne VonSeggen, PA-C, to the North Carolina Physician's Health Program (NC PHP) Board of Directors

The North Carolina Medical Board appointed Mr. Wayne VonSeggen, PA-C, to the NC PHP Compliance Committee in July 2014 and his initial term expires December 31, 2014. Mr. VonSeggen is eligible for reappointment and is willing to continue serving on this committee. If reappointed, Mr. VonSeggen's will run from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017.

Committee Recommendation: Reappoint Mr. Wayne VonSeggen, PA-C, to the NC PHP Board of Directors.

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee's recommendation.

c) Proposed Controlled Substance Reporting System (CSRS) Rules

Due to heightened concerns regarding accidental overdoses due to opioid poisonings, the General Assembly amended N.C.G.S. 90-113.74 in 2013 to require licensing boards

which regulate prescribers to promulgate rules allowing the CSRS to report practitioners who may be prescribing in a potentially unsafe manner. After consulting with outside experts and interested parties, staff recommends the following rule:

The Department of Health and Human Services (“Department”) may report to the North Carolina Medical Board (“Board”) information regarding the prescribing practices of those physicians and physician assistants (“prescribers”) whose prescribing meets the following criteria:

(a) The number of prescriptions for opioids equalling or exceeding 100 MME’s per patient per day falls within the top one percent of prescribers, or

(b) The number of prescriptions equalling or exceeding 100 MME’s per patient per day plus a benzodiazepine falls within the top one percent of prescribers and the total number of prescriptions written for Schedule II – IV controlled substances falls within the top one percent of prescribers.

In addition, the Department may report to the Board information regarding Prescribers whom have had two or more patient deaths in the preceding twelve months due to opioid poisoning.

The Department may submit these reports to the Board upon request and may include the information described in N.C. Gen. Stat. Section 90-113.73(b).

The reports and communications between the Department and the Board shall remain confidential pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. Sections 90-16 and 90-113.74.

Committee Recommendation: Approve the proposed rule subject to final edits by Dr. Udekwu; file with the Rules Review Commission.

Board Action: The Board accepted the Committee’s recommendation.

d) Proposed Consultant Agreement

Newport Board Group, through Laura Bingham, has submitted a proposal to help the Board implement its strategic plan by providing various services during the first year including facilitating a half-day Board retreat at the end of the first year (September 2015).

Committee Recommendation: Defer to the full Board.

Board Action: Staff is authorized to expend up to \$10,000 for additional consulting services.

e) Strategic Plan Proposal (See Appendices N and O)

The Board held a Strategic Planning Retreat September 19 - 20, 2014. The Committee reviewed proposed retreat minutes and a proposed Strategic Plan.

Committee Recommendation: Defer to the full Board.

Board Actions:

- 1) Approve the retreat minutes (attached);
- 2) Recognize and thank members of the Strategic Planning Workgroup for their

- efforts planning and executing a very successful retreat;
- 3) Approve the draft Strategic Plan (see attached); and
 - 4) Executive Committee to assume responsibility for overseeing execution of the Strategic Plan.

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Members: Mr. Arnold, Chairperson; Dr. Udekwu; Dr. B. Walker; Dr. Lietz and Ms. Meelheim

1. Old Business

a. Position Statement Review

i. Telemedicine (APPENDIX A)

Contact with Patients before Prescribing (APPENDIX B)

11/2014 Committee Discussion: The Committee reviewed the proposed changes from the Telemedicine workgroup as a result of comments received from various stakeholders. The Committee also discussed the implications of the Ryan Haight Act on telemedicine and the prescribing of controlled substances.

11/2014 Committee Recommendation: Accept the proposed changes to the *Telemedicine* and the *Contact with Patients before Prescribing* Position Statements and recommend approval by the full Board.

11/2014 Board Action: Accept the Committee's recommendation.

2. New Business:

a. Hospice Request – Exception for Prescribing (APPENDIX B & C)

11/2014 Committee Discussion: Dr. Kirby reviewed the request by Annette Kiser, MSN, RN, NE-BC, Director of Quality & Compliance, The Carolinas Center for Hospice & End of Life Care as indicated in his memo to the Committee dated November 3, 2014.

11/2014 Committee Recommendation: Accept the changes to the *Contact with Patients before Prescribing* and the *End-of-life Responsibilities and Palliative Care* Position Statements and recommend for full Board approval. Staff should incorporate changes from the Telemedicine discussion and this request to the *Contact with Patients before Prescribing* Position Statement.

11/2014 Board Action: Accept the Committee's recommendation.

b. Position Statement Review

i. Medical, Nursing, Pharmacy Boards: Joint Statement on Pain Management in End-of-Life Care (APPENDIX D)

11/2014 Committee Discussion: The Committee reviewed the Position Statement and determined that no changes were necessary.

11/2014 Committee Recommendation: No changes are necessary at this time.

11/2014 Board Action: Accept the Committee's recommendation.

3. Position Statement Review tracking chart: (APPENDIX E)

1/2010 Committee Recommendation: (Loomis/Carnitz) Adopt a 4 year review schedule as presented. All reviews will be offered to the full Board for input. Additionally all reviews will be documented and will be reported to the full Board, even if no changes are made.

1/2010 Board Action: Adopt the recommendation of the Policy Committee.

LICENSE COMMITTEE REPORT

The License Committee of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 1:05 p.m. on November 19, 2014 at the office of the Medical Board. Board Members present were: Pascal Udekwa, MD, Chairperson, Subhash Gumber, MD, Debra A. Bolick, MD, and Mr. A. Wayne Holloman.

Open Session

Old Business

1. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

Issue: Quarterly update

Committee Recommendation: Accept as information.

Board Action: Accept Committee recommendation.

New Business

1. Interstate Medical Licensure Compact – Patrick Balestrieri – Please see Appendix H

Issue: The Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) has been working on developing an Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. Mr. Balestrieri was tasked to prepare a memo for the Committee giving a summary of the model legislation, identify the pros and cons and make a recommendation.

Committee Recommendation: Staff to continue to monitor but the committee recommends not acting on participating in the Interstate Compact at this time.

Board Action: Staff to continue to monitor; do not elect to participate in the Interstate Compact at this time.

2. FSMB Uniform Application (UA) – Hari Gupta

Issue: Exploring the use of the FSMB Uniform Application was an action item from the AIMAP report and it is on David Henderson's task tracker list. The Uniform Application is an online license application developed by FSMB. Once a physician has completed the Uniform Application, it can be sent to another board accepting or requiring the Uniform Application without reentering the same data.

The initial plan was to see if it would be possible to run the UA in parallel to our existing license applications. This would give the applicant a choice: they could either complete our application or complete the UA. We had thought that there were other States that were doing this. After further investigation, we found that that was not the case – there are no States that have the UA and their own State application available side by side. This plan was dropped.

The second plan was to see if we could pull data from the UA into our application. There are two ways that this could be done. The first way would be to add an addendum to the NC specific UA. The addendum would consist of all the questions that are in our application but not in the UA. The steps would be: A) the applicant would complete the NC specific UA including the addendum. B) The applicant would receive a 'Submit ID' from FSMB that they would enter into one of our applications and then the data from their UA would be pulled over into our application. C) The applicant would review the application and pay.

Pros:

1. The cost of doing most of the work could be covered by Grant Money that is available.
2. If the applicant had already done a UA, then that information would already be available.

Cons:

1. We would have two software vendors to work with: FSMB and GLS.
2. The addendum would be almost all of the same questions as we have in our application. So we would be maintaining an additional application. If changes had to be made in the future to our application, then those same changes would need to be made to the addendum section of the UA.
3. Only about 5% of US physicians have used the UA. So about 5% of the applicants that would be applying for an application with NCMB would have done a UA.

The second way would be to pull the data from the UA (no addendum) into our Application. The steps would be: A) the applicant would go to the FSMB and complete the NC specific UA. B) The applicant would receive a 'Submit ID' from FSMB that they would enter into one of our applications and then the data from their UA would be pulled over into our application. C) The applicant would then complete the rest of our application and pay.

Pros:

1. The cost of doing most of the work could be covered by Grant Money that is available.
2. If the applicant had already done a UA, then that information would already be available.

Cons:

1. We would have two software vendors to work with: FSMB and GLS.
2. Only about 5% of US physicians have used the UA. So about 5% of the applicants that would be applying for an application with NCMB would have done a UA.
3. There is very little overlap between the UA and the NC application. Only about 10% of the data in the UA could be pulled over into our application.

Committee Recommendation: Do not use the UA or pull data from existing UA applications.

There was a discussion regarding requiring FCVS for all full license applications (excluding expedited applications).

Pros:

- 1 - Core credentials are received in one packet and requiring less handling and review time.
- 2 – Requiring all US/Canadian graduates to use FCVS would be consistent with how IMG's are handled.
- 3 – One of our 5 applications would be eliminated. This would result in one less application to keep updated and maintain.

Cons:

- 1 – US/Canadian graduates would be required to pay the FCVS fee in addition to the NCMB application fee that they are already paying. (FCVS is currently required for IMG's).

Board Action: Do not use the UA or pull data from existing applications, at this time; do not require all applicants for a full license to use FCVS, at this time.

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

Three licensure cases were discussed. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

LICENSE INTERVIEW REPORT

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

Seven licensure interviews were conducted. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

ALLIED HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Members present were: H. Diane Meelheim, FNP-BC, Chairperson, Bryant A. Murphy, MD and Ralph A. Walker.

OPEN SESSION

PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

1. Physician Assistant Random Compliance Reviews for 2014. Don Pittman discussed.

Issue:

Thirty (30) Physician Assistants were randomly selected for a Compliance Review in 2014. Three (3) of the thirty (30) compliance review were not conducted after it was determined one had retired, one was unemployed, and one had moved out of state.

Nineteen (19) of the twenty seven (27) remaining compliance reviews resulted in finding the physician assistants to be in full compliance with all rules and regulations. The remaining eight (8) had minor discrepancies. All referenced discrepancies were corrected in a timely fashion and no further actions were deemed necessary.

Committee Recommendation: Accept as information.

Board Action: Accept as information.

2. Physician Assistant CME Rule Change. This item was previously discussed at the September 2014 PAAC meeting. Marcus Jimison, the Committee and guests discussed. See Appendix L

Issue:

Physician Assistant CME Requirements. The National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) changed the required amount of Category 1 CME from 40 to 50 hours every two years. Change the North Carolina Medical Board's (NCMB) PA Rules/requirements (specifically, 21 NCAC 32S.0216 (a) and 21 NCAC 32S.0202 (14)) from 40 hours of American Academy of Physician Assistants Category 1 CME hours every two years to 50 hours of Category 1 CME hours every two years to mirror the NCCPA's requirements. The North Carolina Academy of Physician Assistants (NCAPA) Board of Directors unanimously supported the proposed requirement of increasing PA Category 1 CME hours from 40 to 50 hours in a two year cycle for PAs.

Committee Recommendation: Adopt proposed rule change to Physician Assistant Rules 21 NCAC 32S.0216 (a) and 21 NCAC 32S.0202 (14) to require 50 hours of accredited Category 1 CME hours every two years. CME must be recognized by the NCCPA.

Board Action: Adopt proposed rule change to Physician Assistant Rules 21 NCAC 32S.0216 (a) and 21 NCAC 32S.0202 (14) to require 50 hours of accredited Category 1 CME hours every two years. CME must be recognized by the NCCPA.

3. Physician Assistant Advisory Council (PAAC) 2015 - 2016 Committee Members.

Issue: Physician Assistant Advisory Council (PAAC) 2015 - 2016 Committee Members. The North Carolina Medical Board's Physician Assistant Advisory Council (PAAC) advises and communicates with the Board on issues affecting PA practice and regulation in the state. The PAAC does not have authority to license or discipline PAs, but it provides valuable insights to the Board's Allied Health Committee and to the full Board. The PAAC meets twice a year in September and March. The members of the PAAC are nominated by the Allied Health Committee and appointed by vote of the full Board for terms of two years. They may be reappointed by Board action. The PAAC's members represent the leadership of the North Carolina Academy of Physician Assistants, the PA Section of the North Carolina Medical Society and each PA training program in North Carolina. They also include other PA and physician members chosen for their particular expertise on issues facing the Board.

Committee Recommendation: Approve the following 2015 - 2016 PAAC Committee Members: H. Diane Meelheim, FNP-BC, Chairperson, Ralph A. Walker, Bryant A. Murphy, MD, Douglas Hammer, MD, Julie Daniel-Yount, PA, Carolyn Pugh, PA, Ron Foster, PA, Robin Hunter-Buskey, PA, Cathie Field, Rosalind Becker, PA – Wingate, Karen Hills, PA - Duke, Thomas Colletti, PA – Campbell, Marc Katz, PA, Christina Beard, PA – Methodist, Tracy Tonsor, PA – Elon, Terry Mulligan, PA – Gardner-Webb, Lisa Shock, PA, Dr. Stephen Myers – High Point, Peggy Robinson, PA, Marcus Jimison - NCMB Staff, Lori Ann King, CPCS - NCMB Staff, Katharine Kovacs, PA - NCMB Staff, Jane Paige - NCMB Staff.

Board Action: Approve the following 2015 - 2016 PAAC Committee Members: H. Diane Meelheim, FNP-BC, Chairperson, Ralph A. Walker, Bryant A. Murphy, MD, Douglas Hammer, MD, Julie Daniel-Yount, PA, Carolyn Pugh, PA, Ron Foster, PA, Robin Hunter-Buskey, PA, Cathie Field, Rosalind Becker, PA – Wingate, Karen Hills, PA - Duke, Thomas Colletti, PA – Campbell, Marc Katz, PA, Christina Beard, PA – Methodist, Tracy Tonsor, PA – Elon, Terry Mulligan, PA – Gardner-Webb, Lisa Shock, PA, Dr. Stephen Myers – High Point, Peggy Robinson, PA, Marcus Jimison - NCMB Staff, Lori Ann King, CPCS - NCMB Staff, Katharine Kovacs, PA - NCMB Staff, Jane Paige - NCMB Staff.

NC Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

1. Dr. Winslow's Presentation to the full Board Thursday, 11/20/14.

Issue: Dr. Winslow did a presentation to the full Board on Thursday (after the AHC meeting) to discuss the NC EMS' request for the addition of the drugs Droperidol, Tranexamic acid (TXA) and CroFab to the formulary for EMS providers in NC.

Committee Recommendation: Accept as information.

Board Action: Approve the NC EMS' request for the addition of the drugs Droperidol, Tranexamic acid (TXA) and CroFab to the formulary for EMS providers in NC.

ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS

No items for discussion

NURSE PRACTITIONERS

No items for discussion

CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONERS

No items for discussion

PERFUSIONISTS

1. Minutes of the September 2014 PAC meeting

Committee Recommendation: Accept the report of the September 2014 PAC meeting.

Board Action: Accept the report of the September 2014 PAC meeting.

POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNOLOGISTS

No items for discussion

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Two licensee applications were reviewed. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

NURSE PRACTITIONER JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

The Nurse Practitioner Joint Subcommittee (NPJS) was called to order at 6:30 pm November 18, 2014 at the office of the NC Board of Nursing. Members present were: Bobby Lowery, PhD, NP - Chairperson (NCBON); H. Diane Meelheim, FNP-BC (NCMB); Peggy Walters, EdD, RN

(NCBON); and Ralph A. Walker (NCMB). Bryant A. Murphy, MD (NCMB) and Cheryl Duke, PhD, NP (NCBON) were absent.

1. Approval of minutes of May 13, 2014 meeting

Motion: To approve the amended minutes of the May meeting as presented. Passed.

1. Old Business

a. Update: JSC Pilot Project

Today was the final meeting of the pilot project. The Joint Subcommittee is pleased with the work of the pilot and recommends continuing to use the Joint Subcommittee Panel.

Motion: To continue using the Joint Subcommittee Panel for review of NP disciplinary cases. Passed.

2. New Business

a. Compliance Review Summary 2014

Ms. Kugler reported that 76% of NPs audited were in compliance. The Board of Nursing is continuing their efforts to make sure that NPs know what is required for them to be in compliance. Reminders are being included with registration renewals and also at the bottom of all of the Practice Coordinator's emails.

For information only

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

Two licensee applications were reviewed. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

MIDWIFERY COMMITTEE REPORT

The Midwifery Joint Committee (MJC) was called to order at 5:00 pm November 18, 2014 at the office of the NC Board of Nursing. Members present were: Bobby Lowery, PhD, NP - Chairperson (NCBON); H. Diane Meelheim, FNP-BC (NCMB); Peggy Walters, EdD, RN (NCBON); Beth Korb, CNM and Ralph A. Walker (NCMB). Bryant A. Murphy, MD (NCMB); Cheryl Duke, PhD, NP (NCBON); Frank Harrison Jr, MD and Keith Nelson, MD were absent.

1. Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Reminder

2. Approval of Minutes: November 19, 2013

Motion: To approve the minutes of the November 2013 meeting. Passed.

3. Report of Auditors

Motion: To accept the auditor's report. Passed.

5. Ratification of Mail Referendum

a. CNM Approval List 2013

Due to implementation of a new licensure system, the CNM Application Approval list was unavailable at the time of the November 2013 Midwifery Joint Committee meeting. CNM Application Approvals are completed by committee member pairings annually and presented to the full Committee for ratification at the Midwifery Joint Committee Annual Meeting.

Motion: To accept the CNM Application Approval list for the period of November 1, 2012 – October 31, 2013. Passed.

6. Other Business

a. Election of Officers

Beth Korb was nominated for Chairperson and Diane Meelheim was nominated for the Vice Chairperson position.

Motion: The MJC voted unanimously to name Ms. Korb as the Chairperson and Ms. Meelheim as the Vice Chairperson. Passed.

b. CNM Approval List thru October 2014

Motion: To approve the CNM approval list. Passed.

c. Update: Online Registration System for APRN

Brenda McDougald reported that the online registration system has been implemented. Registration notices will be sent electronically and by regular mail.

For information.

d. Directors/Officers Insurance

The MJC is looking into purchasing insurance for its directors and officers for coverage in the event of a law suit. Staff will provide the Committee with three quotes to review.

For discussion.

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

Two licensee applications were reviewed. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

DISCIPLINARY (COMPLAINTS) COMMITTEE REPORT

The Disciplinary Committee (Complaints/Malpractice/ME) of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on November 19, 2014 at the office of the Medical Board. Board Members present were: Timothy E. Lietz, MD (chairperson), Mr. Michael J. Arnold, Debra A. Bolick, MD, Eleanor E. Greene, MD, H. Diane Meelheim, FNP, Bryant A. Murphy, MD, and Barbara E. Walker, DO.

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

The Disciplinary (Complaints) Committee reported on thirty-nine complaint cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public.

A motion passed to return to open session.

DISCIPLINARY (MALPRACTICE) COMMITTEE REPORT

The Disciplinary Committee (Complaints/Malpractice/ME) of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on November 19, 2014 at the office of the Medical Board. Board Members present were: Timothy E. Lietz, MD (chairperson), Mr. Michael J. Arnold, Debra A. Bolick, MD, Eleanor E. Greene, MD, H. Diane Meelheim, FNP, Bryant A. Murphy, MD, and Barbara E. Walker, DO.

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

The Disciplinary (Malpractice) Committee reported on forty-five cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEW REPORT

A motion passed to close the session pursuant to Section 143-318.11(a) of the North Carolina General Statutes to prevent the disclosure of information that is confidential pursuant to Sections 90-8, 90-14, 90-16, 90-21.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and not considered a public

record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes and/or to preserve attorney/client privilege.

Eleven informal interviews were conducted. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the recommendations and approved the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

DISCIPLINARY (INVESTIGATIVE) COMMITTEE REPORT

The Disciplinary Committee (Investigations) of the North Carolina Medical Board commenced at 9:24 am on November 19, 2014 at the office of the Medical Board. Board Members present were: Timothy E. Lietz, MD (chairperson), Mr. Michael J. Arnold, Debra A. Bolick, MD, Eleanor E. Greene, MD, H. Diane Meelheim, FNP, Bryant A. Murphy, MD, and Barbara E. Walker, DO.

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The Disciplinary (Investigative) Committee reported on forty-eight investigative cases. A written report was presented for the Board's review. The Board adopted the Committee's recommendation to approve the written report. The specifics of this report are not included because these actions are not public information.

A motion passed to return to open session.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The Outreach Committee of the North Carolina Medical Board was called to order at 2:35 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at the offices of the Board. Members present were: Subhash Gumber, MD, Chairperson, Debra Bolick, MD, and Ralph A. Walker.

Old Business:

1. Outreach to Medical Schools and Residency programs

Public Affairs is continuing to reach out by phone and email to medical schools and residency programs. The personal touch seems to be effective. Dr. Gumber met and talked with the Dean at ECU's Brody School of Medicine. He had not seen/responded to the letter the NCMB mailed but was receptive. At Dr. Gumber's request, Public

Affairs Director followed up and we are now working to ID opportunities for the NCMB to present. Also working to schedule a talk in Fayetteville for Southern Regional AHEC for a noon presentation.

For information only; No action required

Discussion: The Public Affairs Director gave a brief update on outreach efforts to medical schools and residency programs, indicating that telephone contact seems to be an effective means of reaching out.

No Committee action required

New Business:

1. NCMB presentations overhaul

As the NCMB seeks to present more frequently and to more student and resident audiences, there is a need to ensure that the Board has quality content that meets the NCMB's goals and the needs of the groups hosting our talks. To that end, the Public Affairs Department is working on several fronts to shore up the content available to Board Members giving presentations.

a. Prepared PowerPoints on specific topics of interest

The Board typically presents a "Medical Board 101" general information talk to any group it visits. Public Affairs maintains a boilerplate talk, which includes an overview of the Board's mission and duties, discussion of the licensing role, and the regulatory role, which includes an overview of the complaint and investigation process, the case review process and the possible outcomes of cases. The talk also includes select statistics on licensee demographics and metrics such as licenses issued, public actions taken, complaints received, etc. A recent addition to the standard talk uses medicine-related cartoons to convey information about issues likely to bring a licensee to Board attention. This talk is updated at least annually to include the latest available statistics and can be edited and amended to meet the audience's specific needs. For a short talk (30 minutes or less) the basic Board talk can be given on its own. Often, we add on one or more specific topics of interest (current initiatives or topics such as opioid prescribing, alcohol/substance abuse issues, etc.). Public Affairs is preparing slide sets featuring case studies and Board policy on the following subjects:

- i. Opioid prescribing
- ii. Alcohol/substance abuse
- iii. Professional boundary issues
- iv. Quality of care – Need Board member suggestions for types of issues to illustrate through case studies

Discussion: What other subject areas should Public Affairs develop slide sets on? What specific types of quality of care cases should be included in the QOC slides?

b. New presentation techniques

The Board typically uses PowerPoint presentations to give talks. This works well for some audiences (large groups, for example) but may not be the most effective or engaging method of presenting to student and resident audiences. Public Affairs recommends that we explore alternative presentation techniques to ensure that we offer a high-value educational experience for our student/resident audiences. Some techniques may also be appropriate for established licensee audiences.

- i. What should the Board do? (presentation of case studies) – This method tweaks the PowerPoint presentation of case studies slightly. The Board Member presents the facts of the case. Then, before revealing the Board’s resolution to the case (what actually happened) the Board Member leads a brief discussion to identify, with audience participation, the issues in the case (what went wrong, what needs to be addressed) and asks the audience to suggest ways for the Board to resolve the case (What should the Board do?) When the discussion comes to a natural conclusion, the Board Member then clicks the slide to reveal the actual case resolution. Dr. Udekwu recently gave a talk to the WakeMed Department of Surgery using this presentation technique.
- ii. Role playing case studies – Like the technique described above, this is means of increasing audience engagement in our subject. Case studies would be scripted and “parts” assigned to volunteers from the audience (e.g., a patient and a licensee). Each participant would speak his or her scripted part. The Board Member would keep the participants on stage and lead a discussion to identify the important issues in the case, asking for suggestions for ways the Board could resolve it. Then the Board Member would reveal the actual case resolution.
- iii. Animated case studies – The Public Affairs staff plans to animate collections of case studies in the subject areas noted above (opioid prescribing, alcohol/substance abuse, professional boundary issues, quality of care) using the same software used to create the NCMB Complaint Tutorial. Once complete, these case study modules can be made available through the learning management system (LMS) portal built for the Board by Greensboro AHEC. Before a talk (e.g. general Board presentation with opioid prescribing), staff would email the organization hosting the talk a link to the opioid prescribing case studies collection module, with instructions for students or residents to watch the module prior to the talk. After giving the general Board presentation, the Board Member would lead a discussion of the case study content viewed in advance of the talk. We would probably include slides from the module as visual aids to help students/residents remember and aid the Board Member in leading the discussion.

Discussion: Which of the presentation techniques should Board Members begin integrating into talks? What audiences would most benefit from the approaches described?

Committee discussion: The Committee members liked the use of medical cartoons to introduce topics of discussion Re: issues that bring licensees to the attention of the Board. The Committee liked the idea of developing more case studies for use in presentations and liked the subject specific approach; It was suggested that it may be useful to develop sets of case studies that are specific to specialty. Committee members were intrigued with the idea of using different presentation techniques to encourage more engagement with audiences. Overall, the Committee was pleased with the progress and encouraged Public Affairs to continue on all fronts

No committee action

Board action: None required

2. NCMB logo

The NCMB does not have a logo. Instead, the Board uses the official seal of the Board. This is old fashioned and somewhat limiting in terms of options for graphics on the website, stationary, business cards, PowerPoint templates and all other visuals produced for Board use. Sydney Little, the Board's new Public Affairs Coordinator will present some logo concepts for consideration.

Staff recommendation: Board Members should select a first choice from among the logos provided. Staff need Board approval to move ahead with logo use for redesigned website and other materials.

Committee discussion: The Committee Members were pleased that the Board is moving forward with plans for a logo. They were happy with the four choices presented but would like to involve the full Board in selecting the logo to be used.

Committee recommendation: Defer to full Board

Board action: Board Members voted for a first choice and a second choice logo. With all votes tallied, the "plain text" logo won a simple majority of votes. However, the Board was not satisfied with that result.

The Board directed the Public Affairs staff to prepare additional choices for consideration by the Board, understanding that a decision should be made by January 2015 in order for the logo to be incorporated into the new NCMB website design. New logo choices will be distributed via email to the Board Members ASAP.

3. Board use of Twitter

Members of the Cumberland County Medical Society (CCMS) have raised questions about the Board's practice of using Twitter to distribute information about public adverse actions executed by the NCMB, asking that the Board discontinue these tweets. The Board began tweeting actions in February 2013. This is consistent with the Board's goal to provide multiple choices for individuals interested in receiving the NCMB's public information and with the Public Affairs Departments efforts in recent years to offer options that streamline and automate this aspect (public information requests) of its work. The Public Affairs Director will be prepared to discuss the evolution of the NCMB's use of Twitter, including plans for future use.

Discussion: Questions/thoughts about the NCMB's use of Twitter? How should NCMB respond to CCMS letter?

The Public Affairs Director gave a history of the Board's use of Twitter and explained the basics of how Twitter is used, as well as some statistics about the current number of Twitter followers and engagement with followers. It was noted that the NCMB has significantly more content that could be tweeted and that Public Affairs always intended to expand tweets to include matters other than discipline. This content would include announcements, notices, calls for comment on position statements, public hearings, awards received by the Board, etc.

The Committee did not see anything untoward with tweeting information about public actions, but indicated that it did not feel the Board's use of Twitter should be limited to actions. The Committee agreed that the Board should consider the question of distributing public actions via Twitter and other social media channels more deeply before making a decision to change how it uses Twitter in this regard.

Committee recommendation: The Board should immediately begin tweeting general interest information in addition to tweets about public actions. Public Affairs should report on progress at the next Board Meeting.

Meanwhile, the Board should continue to study Twitter and other social media platforms as viable channels for distributing information about public actions. Staff should provide the Board with multiple options including but not limited to: continuing to tweet individual public actions just as the Board does currently, tweeting periodic "roundups" indicating that actions have been taken, tweeting more types or fewer types of public actions, and, finally, ceasing to use Twitter to distribute information about public actions entirely.

Board action: Accept committee recommendation

ADJOURNMENT

This meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m. November 20, 2014.

Eleanor E. Greene, MD
Secretary/Treasurer

“Telemedicine” is the practice of medicine using electronic communication, information technology or other means between a licensee in one location and a patient in another location with or without an intervening health care provider.

The Board recognizes that technological advances have made it possible for licensees to provide medical care to patients who are separated by some geographical distance. As a result, telemedicine is a potentially useful tool that, if employed appropriately, can provide important benefits to patients, including: increased access to health care, expanded utilization of specialty expertise, rapid availability of patient records, and the reduced cost of patient care.

The Board cautions, however, that licensees practicing via telemedicine will be held to the same standard of care as licensees employing more traditional in-person medical care. A failure to conform to the appropriate standard of care, whether that care is rendered in-person or via telemedicine, may subject the licensee to potential discipline by this Board. It is the Board’s position that there is not a separate standard of care applicable to telemedicine. Telemedicine providers will be evaluated according to the standard of care applicable to their area of specialty. Additionally, telemedicine providers are expected to adhere to current standards for practice improvement and monitoring of outcomes

The Board provides the following considerations to its licensees as guidance in providing medical services via telemedicine:

Training of Staff — Staff involved in the telemedicine visit should be trained in the use of the telemedicine equipment and competent in its operation.

Evaluations and Examinations — Licensees using telemedicine technologies to provide care to patients located in North Carolina must provide an appropriate evaluation prior to diagnosing and/or treating the patient. This evaluation need not be in-person if the licensee employs technology sufficient to accurately diagnose and treat the patient in conformity with the applicable standard of care.

Other evaluations may also be considered appropriate if the licensee is at a distance from the patient, but a licensed health care professional is able to provide various physical findings that the licensee needs to complete an adequate assessment. On the other hand, a simple questionnaire without an appropriate evaluation may be a violation of law and/or subject the licensee to discipline by the Board.¹

Licensee-Patient Relationship —The Board stresses the importance of proper patient identification in the context of the telemedicine encounter. Failure to verify the patient’s identity may lead to fraudulent activity or the improper disclosure of confidential patient information. The licensee using telemedicine should verify the identity and location of the patient and should be prepared to inform the patient of the licensee’s name, location and professional credentials. A diagnosis should be established through the use of accepted medical practices, i.e., a patient history, mental status evaluation, physical examination and appropriate diagnostic and laboratory testing. Licensees using telemedicine should also ensure the availability for appropriate follow-up care and maintain a complete medical record that is available to the patient and other treating health care providers.

Prescribing — Licensees are expected to practice in accordance with the Board’s Position Statement “Contact with patients before prescribing.” It is the position of the Board that

¹ See also the Board’s Position Statement entitled “Contact with Patients before Prescribing.”

prescribing controlled substances for the treatment of pain by means of telemedicine is not consistent with the stand of care. Licensees prescribing controlled substances by means of telemedicine for other conditions should obey all relevant federal and state laws and are expected to participate in the Controlled Substances Reporting System.²

Medical Records — The licensee treating a patient via telemedicine must maintain a complete record of the telemedicine patient’s care according to prevailing medical record standards. The medical record serves to document the analysis and plan of an episode of care for future reference. It must reflect an appropriate evaluation of the patient's presenting symptoms, and relevant components of the electronic professional interaction must be documented as with any other encounter.

The licensee must maintain the record’s confidentiality and disclose the records to the patient consistent with state and federal law. If the patient has a primary care provider and a telemedicine provider for the same ailment, then the primary care provider’s medical record and the telemedicine provider’s record constitute one complete patient record. Licensees practicing via telemedicine will be held to the same standards of professionalism concerning medical records transfer and communication with the primary care provider and medical home as those licensees practicing via traditional means.

Licensure — The practice of medicine is deemed to occur in the state in which the patient is located. Therefore, any licensee using telemedicine to regularly provide medical services to patients located in North Carolina should be licensed to practice medicine in North Carolina.³ Licensees need not reside in North Carolina, as long as they have a valid, current North Carolina license.

North Carolina licensees intending to practice medicine via telemedicine technology to treat or diagnose patients outside of North Carolina should check with other state licensing boards. Most states require physicians to be licensed, and some have enacted limitations to telemedicine practice or require or offer a special registration. A directory of all U.S. medical boards may be accessed at the Federation of State Medical Boards Web site:

http://www.fsmb.org/directory_smb.html.

(Adopted July 2010)

(Revised November 2014)

² See Ryan Haight Act

³ N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-18(c)(11) exempts from the requirement for licensure: “The practice of medicine or surgery by any nonregistered reputable physician or surgeon who comes into this State, either in person or by use of any electronic or other mediums, on an irregular basis, to consult with a resident registered physician or to consult with personnel at a medical school about educational or medical training. This proviso shall not apply to physicians resident in a neighboring state and regularly practicing in this State.”

The Board also notes that the North Carolina General Statutes define the practice of medicine as including, “The performance of any act, within or without this State, described in this subdivision by use of any electronic or other means, including the Internet or telephone.” N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-1.1(5)

Contact with patients before prescribing

It is the position of the North Carolina Medical Board that prescribing drugs to an individual the prescriber has not examined to the extent necessary for an accurate diagnosis is inappropriate except as noted in the paragraphs below. Before prescribing a drug, a licensee should make an informed medical judgment based on the circumstances of the situation and on his or her training and experience. Ordinarily, this will require that the licensee perform an appropriate history and physical examination, make a diagnosis, and formulate a therapeutic plan, a part of which might be a prescription. This process must be documented appropriately.

Prescribing for a patient whom the licensee has not personally examined may be suitable under certain circumstances. These may include admission orders for a newly hospitalized patient, medication orders or prescriptions, including pain management, from a hospice physician for a patient admitted to a certified hospice program, prescribing for a patient of another licensee for whom the prescriber is taking call, continuing medication on a short-term basis for a new patient prior to the patient's first appointment, an appropriate prescription in a telemedicine encounter where the threshold information to make an accurate diagnosis has been obtained, or prescribing an opiate antagonist to someone in a position to assist a person at risk of an opiate-related overdose. Established patients may not require a new history and physical examination for each new prescription, depending on good medical practice.

Prescribing for an individual whom the licensee has not met or personally examined may also be suitable when that individual is the partner of a patient whom the licensee is treating for gonorrhea or chlamydia. Partner management of patients with gonorrhea or chlamydia should include the following items:

- Signed prescriptions of oral antibiotics of the appropriate quantity and strength sufficient to provide curative treatment for each partner named by the infected patient. Notation on the prescription should include the statement: "Expedited partner therapy."
- Signed prescriptions to named partners should be accompanied by written material that states that clinical evaluation is desirable; that prescriptions for medication or related compounds to which the partner is allergic should not be accepted; and that lists common medication side effects and the appropriate response to them.
- Prescriptions and accompanying written material should be given to the licensee's patient for distribution to named partners.
- The licensee should keep appropriate documentation of partner management. Documentation should include the names of partners and a copy of the prescriptions issued or an equivalent statement.

It is the position of the Board that prescribing drugs to individuals the licensee has never met based solely on answers to a set of questions, as is common in Internet or toll-free telephone prescribing, is inappropriate and unprofessional.

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Modified: February 2001; November 2009, May 2013, November 2014 (Reviewed July 2010)

End-of-life responsibilities and palliative care

Assuring Patients

When appropriate processes have determined that the use of life prolonging measures or invasive interventions will only prolong the dying process, it is incumbent on licensees to accept death “not as a failure, but the natural culmination of our lives.”*

It is the position of the North Carolina Medical Board that patients and their families should be assured of competent, timely, comprehensive palliative care at the end of their lives. Licensees should be knowledgeable regarding effective and compassionate pain relief, and patients and their families should be assured such relief will be provided. The Board recognizes there are times when a hospice patient needs medications to manage pain or other symptoms in an urgent situation. Under these circumstances a hospice physician who is an employee of, under contract with, or a volunteer with a Medicare-certified hospice may prescribe medications to a patient admitted to the hospice program who he has not seen when the needs of the patient dictate.

Palliative Care

Palliative care is specialized medical care for people with serious illnesses. It is focused on providing patients with relief from the symptoms, pain, and stress of a serious illness—whatever the diagnosis. The goal is to improve quality of life for both the patient and the family.

Palliative care is provided by healthcare providers who work together with a patient’s other caregivers to provide an extra layer of support. It is appropriate at any age and at any stage in a serious illness and can be provided along with curative treatment.**

Palliative care:

- provides relief from pain and other distressing symptoms;
- affirms life and regards dying as a normal process;
- intends neither to hasten nor postpone death;
- integrates the psychological and spiritual aspects of patient care;
- offers a support system to help patients live as actively as possible until death;
- offers a support system to help the family cope during the patient’s illness and in their own bereavement;
- uses a team approach to address the needs of patients and their families, including bereavement counseling, if indicated;
- will enhance quality of life, and may also positively influence the course of illness;
- [may be] applicable early in the course of illness, in conjunction with other therapies that are intended to prolong life, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy, and includes those investigations needed to better understand and manage distressing clinical complications.***

Opioid Use

The Board will assume opioid use in such patients is appropriate if the responsible licensee is familiar with and abides by acceptable medical guidelines regarding such use, is knowledgeable about effective and compassionate pain relief, and maintains an appropriate medical record that details a pain management plan. (See the Board’s position statement on the Policy for the Use of Controlled Substances for the Treatment of Pain for an outline of what the Board expects of licensees in the management of pain.) Because the Board is aware of the inherent risks

associated with effective symptom relief in such situations, it will not interpret their occurrence as subject to discipline by the Board.

*Steven A. Schroeder, MD, President, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

** Taken from the Center to Advance Palliative Care (2012) <http://www.capc.org/building-a-hospital-based-palliative-care-program/case/definingpc>

*** Taken from the World Health Organization definition of Palliative Care (2002) <http://www.who.int/cancer/palliative/definition/en>

(Adopted October 1999) (Amended May 2007; March 2008; January 2013; November 2014)

Joint Statement on Pain Management in End-of-Life Care

(Adopted by the North Carolina Medical, Nursing, and Pharmacy Boards)

Through dialogue with members of the healthcare community and consumers, a number of perceived regulatory barriers to adequate pain management in end-of-life care have been expressed to the Boards of Medicine, Nursing, and Pharmacy. The following statement attempts to address these misperceptions by outlining practice expectations for physicians and other health care professionals authorized to prescribe medications, as well as nurses and pharmacists involved in this aspect of end-of-life care. The statement is based on:

- the legal scope of practice for each of these licensed health professionals;
- professional collaboration and communication among health professionals providing palliative care; and
- a standard of care that assures on-going pain assessment, a therapeutic plan for pain management interventions; and evidence of adequate symptom management for the dying patient.

It is the position of all three Boards that patients and their families should be assured of competent, comprehensive palliative care at the end of their lives. Physicians, nurses and pharmacists should be knowledgeable regarding effective and compassionate pain relief, and patients and their families should be assured such relief will be provided.

Because of the overwhelming concern of patients about pain relief, the physician needs to give special attention to the effective assessment of pain. It is particularly important that the physician frankly but sensitively discuss with the patient and the family their concerns and choices at the end of life. As part of this discussion, the physician should make clear that, in some end of life care situations, there are inherent risks associated with effective pain relief. *The Medical Board will assume opioid use in such patients is appropriate if the responsible physician is familiar with and abides by acceptable medical guidelines regarding such use, is knowledgeable about effective and compassionate pain relief, and maintains an appropriate medical record that details a pain management plan.* Because the Board is aware of the inherent risks associated with effective pain relief in such situations, it will not interpret their occurrence as subject to discipline by the Board.

With regard to pharmacy practice, North Carolina has no quantity restrictions on dispensing controlled substances including those in Schedule II. This is significant when utilizing the federal rule that allows the partial filling of Schedule II prescriptions for up to 60 days. In these situations it would minimize expenses and unnecessary waste of drugs if the prescriber would note on the prescription that the patient is terminally ill and specify the largest anticipated quantity that could be needed for the next two months. The pharmacist could then dispense smaller quantities of the prescription to meet the patient's needs up to the total quantity authorized. Government-approved labeling for dosage level and frequency can be useful as guidance for patient care. Health professionals may, on occasion, determine that higher levels are justified in specific cases. However, these occasions would be exceptions to general practice and would need to be properly documented to establish informed consent of the patient and family.

Federal and state rules also allow the fax transmittal of an original prescription for Schedule II drugs for hospice patients. If the prescriber notes the hospice status of the patient on the faxed document, it serves as the original. Pharmacy rules also allow the emergency refilling of prescriptions in Schedules III, IV, and V. While this does not apply to Schedule II drugs, it can

be useful in situations where the patient is using drugs such as Vicodin for pain or Xanax for anxiety.

The nurse is often the health professional most involved in on-going pain assessment, implementing the prescribed pain management plan, evaluating the patient's response to such interventions and adjusting medication levels based on patient status. In order to achieve adequate pain management, the prescription must provide dosage ranges and frequency parameters within which the nurse may adjust (titrate) medication in order to achieve adequate pain control. Consistent with the licensee's scope of practice, the RN or LPN is accountable for implementing the pain management plan utilizing his/her knowledge base and documented assessment of the patient's needs. *The nurse has the authority to adjust medication levels within the dosage and frequency ranges stipulated by the prescriber and according to the agency's established protocols.* However, the nurse does not have the authority to change the medical pain management plan. When adequate pain management is not achieved under the currently prescribed treatment plan, the nurse is responsible for reporting such findings to the prescriber and documenting this communication. Only the physician or other health professional with authority to prescribe may change the medical pain management plan.

Communication and collaboration between members of the healthcare team, and the patient and family are essential in achieving adequate pain management in end-of-life care. Within this interdisciplinary framework for end of life care, effective pain management should include:

- thorough documentation of all aspects of the patient's assessment and care;
- a working diagnosis and therapeutic treatment plan including pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic interventions;
- regular and documented evaluation of response to the interventions and, as appropriate, revisions to the treatment plan;
- evidence of communication among care providers;
- education of the patient and family; and
- a clear understanding by the patient, the family and healthcare team of the treatment goals.

It is important to remind health professionals that licensing boards hold each licensee accountable for providing safe, effective care. Exercising this standard of care requires the application of knowledge, skills, as well as ethical principles focused on optimum patient care while taking all appropriate measures to relieve suffering. The healthcare team should give primary importance to the expressed desires of the patient tempered by the judgment and legal responsibilities of each licensed health professional as to what is in the patient's best interest.

(Adopted October 1999) (Amended January 2011; November 2014)

APPENDIX E

POSITION STATEMENT	ADOPTED	SCHEDULED FOR REVIEW	LAST REVISED/ REVIEWED/ ADOPTED	REVISED/ REVIEWED	REVISED/ REVIEWED	REVISED/ REVIEWED	REVISED/ REVIEWED
Telemedicine	May-10	Nov-13	May-10				
Medical, Nursing, Pharmacy Boards: Joint Statement on Pain Management in End-of-Life Care	Oct-99	Nov-14	Jan-11	Oct-99			
HIV/HBV Infected Health Care Workers	Nov-92		Jan-11	Jan-05	May-96		
Writing of Prescriptions	May-91		Mar-11	Mar-05	Jul-02	Mar-02	May-96
Laser Surgery	Jul-99		Mar-11	Jul-05	Aug-02	Mar-02	Jan-00
Office-Based Procedures	Sep-00		May-11	Jan-03			
Sale of Goods From Physician Offices	Mar-01		May-11	Mar-06			
Competence and Reentry to the Active Practice of Medicine	Jul-06		Jul-11	Jul-06			
Prescribing Controlled Substances for Other Than Valid Medical or Therapeutic Purposes, with Particular Reference to Substances or Preparations with Anabolic Properties	May-98		Sept-11	Nov-05	Jan-01	Jul-98	
Referral Fees and Fee Splitting	Nov-93		Jan-12	Jul-06	May-96		
Self- Treatment and Treatment of Family Members and Others With Whom Significant Emotional Relationships Exist	May-91		Mar-12	Sep-05	Mar-02	May-00	May 96
Availability of Physicians to Their Patients	Jul-93		May-12	Nov-11	Jul-06	Oct-03	Jan-01
Sexual Exploitation of Patients	May-91		May-12	Sep-06	Jan-01	Apr-96	
Care of the Patient Undergoing Surgery or Other Invasive Procedure	Sep-91		Jul-12	Sep-06	Mar-01		
The Physician-Patient Relationship	Jul-95		Jul-12	Sep-06	Aug-03	Mar-02	Jan-00
The Retired Physician	Jan-97		Jul-12	Sep-06			
Physician Supervision of Other Licensed Health Care Practitioners	Jul-07		Sep-12	Jul-07			
Medical Testimony	Mar-08		Sep-12	Mar-08			
Advance Directives and Patient Autonomy	Jul-93		Nov-12	Mar-08	May-96		
End-of-Life Responsibilities and Palliative Care	Oct-99		Jan-13	Mar-08	May-07		
Drug Overdose Prevention	Sep-08		Mar-13	Sep-08			
Professional Use of Social Media	Mar-13		Mar-13				
The Treatment of Obesity	Oct-87		May-13	Nov-10	Jan-05	Mar-96	
Contact With Patients Before Prescribing	Nov-99		May-13	Jul-10	Feb-01		
Medical Record Documentation	May-94		May-13	May-09	May-96		
Retention of Medical Records	May-98		Jul-13	May-09			
Capital Punishment	Jan-07		Jul-13	Jul-09			

Professional Obligations pertaining to incompetence, impairment, and unethical conduct of healthcare providers	Nov-98		Sept-13	Mar-10	Nov-98		
Unethical Agreements in Complaint Settlements	Nov-93		Sept-13	Mar-10	May-96		
Guidelines for Avoiding Misunderstandings During Physical Examinations	May-91		Jan-14	Jul-10	Oct-02	Feb-01	Jan-01
Departures from or Closings of Medical	Jan-00		May-13	Jul-09	Aug-03		
Policy for the Use of Controlled Substances for the Treatment of Pain	Sep-96		May-14	Jan-13	Sep-08	Jul-05	
Access to Physician Records	Nov-93		May-14	Sep-10	Aug-03	Mar-02	Sep-97
Medical Supervisor-Trainee Relationship	Apr-04		Jul-14	Nov-10	Apr-04		
Advertising and Publicity	Nov-99		Aug-14	Nov-10	Sep-05	Mar-01	

APPENDIX F

PHYSICIANS PRESENTED AT THE NOVEMBER 2014 BOARD MEETING

Abdel Nour, Souheil Mounir	MD
Adavadkar, Pranshu Anant	MD
Adepoju, Linda Jumoke	MD
Akbar, Faisal	MD
Akinpelu, Bukie Olubukunola	MD
Alabi, Oluwaseye Sheye	DO
Ali, Shabnam Asgher	MD
Anikwue, Rene Chike	MD
Arif, Sana	MD
Arora, Shifali	MD
Arredondo, Mark Anthony	MD
Ashir, Zainab Ajoke	MD
Ashman, Carol Jane	MD
Aviles, Sandra Regina	MD
Bacon, Bryan	DO
Baigorri, Brian Faustino	MD
Bakhru, Arvind Nanik	MD
Barbas, Andrew Serghios	MD
Barnes, Tinka Ann	MD
Barnhorst, Amanda Beth	MD
Barr, Daniel Coke	MD
Bartelt, Luther August	MD
Bayles, Bruce Callahan	DO
Bean, Stacey Buebel	MD
Beaver, Bryan Paul	MD
Bennett, Matthew Thomas	MD
Berry, Laurel Katherine	MD
Bharti, Gaurav	MD
Bhattacharya, Runa	MD
Bonner, Earic Ramon	MD
Boole, Lindsay Carol	MD
Brown, Katherine Lynn	MD
Butcher, Christian Hays	MD
Byrne, Michelle Bridget	DO
Cadier, Thomas Roche	MD
Canver, Charles Cihangir	MD
Carbone, Karen Barbara	MD
Carrero, Gilberto	MD
Carter, William Randall	MD

Cercega, Mircea	MD
Check, Nicole Renae	MD
Chetty, Vanessa Novella	MD
Chillura, Anthony Buddy	MD
Chun, Lisa Robbin	DO
Civiletti, Krista	DO
Clough, Jeffrey David	MD
Coley, Taren Jarmce B.	MD
Connell, Don Ray	MD
Coonrad, Ralph Woodward	MD
Cooper, Emily Haynes	MD
Corbit, Christopher Kinsman	MD
Courtemanche, Chad David	MD
Cruz, Christina Melissa	MD
Cuthbertson, Rand James	MD
Dabbas, Bashar	MD
Damask, Cecelia Constance	MD
Dean, Kristin Michelle	MD
Diegidio, Paul	MD
DiLeo, Steven Joseph	MD
Dillon, Richard Lansing	MD
Dominguez, David	MD
El Manafi, Aimen	MD
El-Alayli, Hani G	MD
Eubanks, Taj Kenyatta	MD
Euler, Dillon Carmickle	MD
Falk, Steven Murray	MD
Fawcett, Samantha Marie	MD
Filla, Rebecca Dawn	MD
Fisher, Beth Ann	MD
Fleury Guzman, Andres R	MD
Flynn, Harry Weisiger	MD
Flynn, Kortni Serene	MD
Franklin, Phillip Jeffrey	MD
Gaitanis, Alexander	DO
Gallagher, Joseph Patrick	MD
Gao, Ling	MD
Gardner, Faith Lockett	MD
Gebremichael, Amine F.	MD
Gentry, Matthew Nicholas	MD
George, Ravindra Kurien	MD
Ghaznawi, Farhat	MD
Gibbs, James Elliotte	MD
Gillham, Joseph Eisele	MD

Golshayan, Ali-Reza	MD
Gonzalez-Vizoso, Rafael A.	MD
Gordon, Carolyn Vance	MD
Goyal, Priti	MD
Graber, Jason Paul	DO
Grant, Stefan Charles	MD
Green, Bonnie Graham	MD
Greenidge, Enzro Glenford	MD
Grewal, Harkiran	MD
Gulla, Supraja Rao	MD
Gupta, Bikash	MD
Hapangama, Neil	MD
Harper, Helene Frances	MD
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MEMORANDUM

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Date: October 20, 2014
Re: The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Issue: Should the North Carolina Medical Board (“NCMB”) consider participating in the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (“Compact”)?

Answer: Yes. The Board should discuss and strongly consider taking affirmative steps in the near future to participate in the Compact in 2015.

The Compact And The Eight Consensus Principles

Interstate compacts are contracts between two or more states on a particular issue. This Compact would create a new pathway to expedite the licensing of physicians seeking to practice medicine in multiple states. Beginning in 2015, state legislatures will introduce the Compact for enactment and it is anticipated to be introduced in over 15 states next year. In 2010, 77% of physicians had only one active license to practice medicine granted by a state medical or osteopathic board, 17% had active licenses in two jurisdictions and 6% had active licenses in three or more jurisdictions. Given the rise in telemedicine and the Affordable Care Act, it is anticipated that these numbers will trend up in the multiple license categories. The Federation of State Medical Boards (“FSMB”) estimates that 80% of the United States physician population will be eligible for licensure through the Compact.

The Compact has eight consensus principles:

1. Participation will be voluntary for physicians and state medical boards.
2. Participation creates another pathway for licensure and does not change a state’s existing medical practice act.
3. Treatment occurs where the patient is located at the time of the physician-patient encounter and the physician will be under the jurisdiction of the state board where the patient is located.

4. A mechanism will be established whereby any physician practicing in the state will be known by, and under the jurisdiction of, the state medical or osteopathic board where the practice occurs.
5. Regulatory authority will remain with the participating state boards and will not be delegated.
6. A physician practicing under the Compact is bound to comply with the statutes, rules and regulations of each Compact state where they choose to practice.
7. Boards are required to share complaint and investigative information with each other.
8. The license to practice medicine can be revoked by any or all of the Compact states.

Pros And Con To Joining The Compact - Next Steps

Pros

1. May avoid national medical licensure regulation, thus retaining state control as opposed to a federal program of medical licensure and regulation.
2. Will create a new pathway for expedited licensure.
3. Will likely be revenue neutral and self-sustaining from fees charged to Compact applicants.
4. Information will be shared between Compact member states.

Con

1. There are no rules or bylaws at present. If NCMB joined the Compact and took part in the rule and bylaw creation process, NCMB would have a non-controlling voice in how the rules and bylaws are created and exactly what they say.

Next Steps

1. Once seven states have enacted Compact laws, an Interstate Commission will be formed and rulemaking and bylaw drafting will begin. The NCMB will benefit from being one of the first members states to join the Compact because they would take part in the creation of these rules and bylaws which will create a foundation for the Compact to operate.
2. If the NCMB decides to go forward with the Compact, the next thing to do is approach the legislature. FSMB Director of Legal Services, Eric Fish, Sr., offered to be a resource and accompany NCMB board members and staff to the North Carolina legislature to explain the Compact and how it would impact North Carolina in the future.

Interstate Medical Licensure – Model Legislation Summary

The attached documents are (1) a “What State Legislators Should Know” FSMB memo and (2) a copy of the final model legislation for the Compact. No substantive changes may be made to the model legislation and this would be the North Carolina law if enacted. However, non-substantive technical changes may be made if required by North Carolina law. I shall list and summarize each section of the Compact below:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

The stated purpose is to strengthen access to health care by providing a streamlined process that allows physicians to become licensed in multiple states and enhance medical license portability. This creates another pathway for licensure and does not otherwise change a state's existing medical practice act. The Compact also adopts the prevailing standard for licensure and affirms

that the practice of medicine occurs where the patient is located at the time of the physician-patient encounter. I suspect an unstated purpose is that this will stop or substantially curtail lobbying efforts for national licensure and regulation.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

This section is self-explanatory and comprehensive. However, I would like to note the following definitions that have unique meanings in relation to the Compact and will be used as we go forward:

1. The definition of “Physician” specifies the criteria for who is eligible for licensure via the Compact. “Physician” means any person who:
 - (1) Is a graduate of a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation or a medical school listed in the International Medical Education Directory or its equivalent;
 - (2) Passed each component of the United States Medical Licensing Examination (“USMLE”) or the Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination (“COMLEX-USA”) within three attempts, or any of its predecessor examinations accepted by a state medical board as an equivalent examination for licensure purposes;
 - (3) Successfully completed graduate medical education approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association;
 - (4) Holds specialty certification or a time-unlimited specialty certificate recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties or the American Osteopathic Association's Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists;
 - (5) Possesses a full and unrestricted license to engage in the practice of medicine issued by a member board;
 - (6) Has never been convicted, received adjudication, deferred adjudication, community supervision or deferred disposition for any offense by a court of appropriate jurisdiction;
 - (7) Has never held a license authorizing the practice of medicine subjected to discipline by a licensing agency in any state, federal, or foreign jurisdiction, excluding any action related to non-payment of fees related to a license;
 - (8) Has never had a controlled substance license or permit suspended or revoked by a state or the United States Drug Enforcement Administration; and
 - (10) Is not under active investigation by a licensing agency or law enforcement authority in any state, federal or foreign jurisdiction.
2. "Offense" means a felony, gross misdemeanor or crime of moral turpitude.
3. "State" means any state, commonwealth, district or territory of the United States.
4. "State of Principal License" means a member state where a physician holds a license to practice medicine and which has been designated as such by the physician for purposes of registration and participation in the Compact.

SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY

A physician must meet the eligibility requirements and all criteria of the definition of “Physician” above to receive an expedited license via the Compact. A physician who does not qualify may still apply for licensure under a state’s separate medical practice act.

SECTION 4. DESIGNATION OF STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE

A physician shall designate a member state as the state of principal license for purposes of registration for expedited licensure through the Compact if the physician possesses a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in that state, and the state is:

1. The state of primary residence for the physician, or
2. The state where at least 25% of the practice of medicine occurs, or
3. The location of the physician's employer, or
4. If 1, 2 and 3 are not met, then the state of residence for federal income tax purposes.

SECTION 5. APPLICATION AND ISSUANCE OF EXPEDITED LICENSURE

A physician shall file an application for an expedited license with the member board of the state selected by the physician as the state of principal license, who shall evaluate eligibility and issue a letter of qualification, verifying or denying the physician's eligibility. Static qualifications (i.e. verification of medical education, graduate medical education, results of any medical or licensing examination, etc.) will not require additional primary source verification if already done by the state of principal license. The state of principle license shall also perform a criminal background check. Appeal on the determination of eligibility shall be made to the member state where the application was filed and shall be subject to the law of that state.

Once verified as eligible by the state of principal licensure, physicians shall complete a registration process established by the Interstate Commission to receive a license in the state of principal licensure, including the payment of any fees. A medical license will then be issued (or verification of Compact eligibility will be sent to the Interstate Commission if already licensed in the state of principal licensure) that shall authorize the physician to practice medicine in the issuing state consistent with the medical practice act and all applicable laws and regulations of the issuing member board and state.

A license obtained through the Compact shall be valid for a period consistent with the licensure period in the member state and in the same manner as required for other physicians holding a full and unrestricted license within the member state. A license obtained though the Compact shall be terminated if a physician fails to maintain a license in the state of principal licensure for a non-disciplinary reason, without re-designation of a new state of principal licensure. The Interstate Commission will develop rules regarding the application process, payment of fees and the issuance of a license through the Compact.

SECTION 6. FEES FOR EXPEDITED LICENSURE

A member state issuing an expedited license may impose a fee for a license issued or renewed through the Compact. The Interstate Commission will develop rules regarding these fees.

SECTION 7. RENEWAL AND CONTINUED PARTICIPATION

A physician seeking to renew an expedited license granted in a member state shall complete a renewal process with the Interstate Commission if the physician:

1. Maintains a full and unrestricted license in a state of principal license;
2. Has not been convicted, received adjudication, deferred adjudication, community supervision, or deferred disposition for any offense;

3. Has not had a medical license disciplined by a licensing agency in any state, federal or foreign jurisdiction, excluding any action related to non-payment of fees related to a license; and
4. Has not had a controlled substance license suspended or revoked.

Physicians shall comply with all continuing professional development or continuing medical education requirements for renewal of a license issued by a member state. The Interstate Commission shall collect renewal fees and distribute them to the applicable member board, at which time the member board shall renew the medical license. Physician information collected by the Interstate Commission during the renewal process will be distributed to all member boards. The Interstate Commission will develop rules to address renewals obtained through the Compact.

SECTION 8. COORDINATED INFORMATION SYSTEM

The Interstate Commission shall establish a database of all physicians licensed and who have applied for licensure under the Compact. Member boards shall report to the Interstate Commission any public action or complaints against a licensed physician who has applied or received an expedited license through the Compact. Member boards shall report disciplinary or investigatory information determined as necessary and proper by rule of the Interstate Commission. Member boards shall share complaint or disciplinary information about a physician upon request of another member board. All information provided to the Interstate Commission or distributed by member boards shall be confidential and used only for investigatory or disciplinary matters. The Interstate Commission will develop rules for mandated and discretionary sharing of information by member boards (i.e. there may be some information that member boards have to supply and some information that they may supply in the member board's discretion).

SECTION 9. JOINT INVESTIGATIONS

Licensure and disciplinary records of physicians are deemed investigative. A member board may participate with other member boards in joint investigations of physicians licensed by the member boards. A subpoena issued by a member state shall be enforceable in other member states.

SECTION 10. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Any disciplinary action taken by any member board against a Compact physician shall be deemed unprofessional conduct which may be subject to discipline by other member boards, in addition to any violation of the medical practice act or regulations in that state. If a license in the state of principal licensure is revoked, suspended, surrendered or relinquished in lieu of discipline, then all licenses issued to the physician by member boards shall automatically be placed, without further action necessary by any member board, on the same status. If the state of principal licensure subsequently reinstates the license, a licensed issued by any other member board shall remain encumbered until that respective member board takes action to reinstate the license in a manner consistent with the Medical Practice Act of that state.

If disciplinary action is taken against a physician by a member board not in the state of principal licensure, any other member board may deem the action conclusive as a matter of law and fact decided, and impose the same or lesser sanction(s) consistent with the medical practice act of that state or pursue separate disciplinary action under its medical practice act, regardless of the action taken in other member states.

If a license granted to a physician by a non-principal state of licensure member board is revoked, surrendered or relinquished in lieu of discipline, or suspended, then any license(s) issued to the physician by any other member board(s) shall be suspended, automatically and immediately without further action necessary by the other member board(s), for ninety (90) days upon entry of the order by the disciplining board, to permit the member board(s) to investigate the basis for the action under their medical practice act. A member board may also terminate the automatic suspension of the license it issued prior to the completion of the ninety (90) day period.

SECTION 11. INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT COMMISSION

The member states will create an "Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission" ("Interstate Commission") to conduct the administration of the Compact. Each member state will have two commissioners who can be board members or staff executives. The Interstate Commission shall meet at least once a year and minutes will be kept and made available to the public except for matters which are closed. The Interstate Commission will also establish an executive committee and other committees as necessary. The executive committee will have the power to act on behalf of the Interstate Commission, with the exception of rulemaking, during periods when the Interstate Commission is not in session.

SECTION 12. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION

The essential Interstate Commission powers and duties are as follows:

1. Oversee and maintain the administration of the Compact;
2. Make rules and adopt bylaws;
3. Issue advisory opinions concerning the meaning or interpretation of the Compact, its bylaws, rules, and actions;
4. Enforce compliance with Compact provisions, the rules and bylaws;
5. Establish and appoint committees;
6. Pay the expenses related to the establishment, organization and ongoing activities of the Interstate Commission;
7. Establish offices and hire personnel including an executive director;
9. Report annually to the legislatures and governors of the member states concerning the activities of the Interstate Commission during the preceding year; and
10. Perform such functions as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of the Compact.

SECTION 13. FINANCE POWERS

The Interstate Commission will collect an annual assessment from each member state to cover the cost of the operations and activities of the Interstate Commission and its staff. The annual assessment amount shall be allocated based on a formula to be determined by the Interstate Commission, which will eventually be a rule. The Interstate Commission will be subject to a yearly financial audit and the audit report will be included in the annual Interstate Commission report.

SECTION 14. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION

The Interstate Commission will create bylaws to govern its conduct within twelve months of the first Interstate Commission meeting. The Interstate Commission shall elect or appoint annually

from among its commissioners a chairperson, a vice-chairperson and a treasurer. The officers and employees of the Interstate Commission shall be immune from suit and liability in their personal and professional capacity for a claim for civil liability caused by an error in their duties within the scope of Interstate Commission employment. The Interstate Commission is considered to be an instrumentality of the states for the purposes of any such action. However, there shall be no immunity for intentional, willful or wanton acts.

SECTION 15. RULEMAKING FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION

The Interstate Commission shall promulgate reasonable rules in order to effectively and efficiently achieve the purposes of the Compact. Rules deemed appropriate shall be made pursuant to a rulemaking process that substantially conforms to the “Model State Administrative Procedure Act” of 2010, as amended.

SECTION 16. OVERSIGHT OF INTERSTATE COMPACT

The executive, legislative and judicial branches of state government in each member state shall enforce the Compact. The Compact law and rules shall not override existing state authority to regulate the practice of medicine. All courts shall take judicial notice of the Compact and its rules in any judicial or administrative proceeding in a member state pertaining to the subject matter of the Compact which may affect the powers, responsibilities or actions of the Interstate Commission.

SECTION 17. ENFORCEMENT OF INTERSTATE COMPACT

The Interstate Commission shall enforce the provisions and rules of the Compact. The Interstate Commission may, by majority vote of the Commissioners, initiate legal action to enforce compliance with the provisions of the Compact against a member state in default.

SECTION 18. DEFAULT PROCEDURES

The grounds for default include failure of a member state to perform such obligations or responsibilities imposed upon it by the Compact. If a defaulting state fails to cure the default, the defaulting state shall be terminated from the Compact with a majority vote of the Interstate Commissioner and all rights, privileges and benefits conferred by the Compact shall terminate. The Interstate Commission will make rules and procedures to address licenses and physicians that are materially impacted by the termination or withdrawal of a member state.

SECTION 19. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The Interstate Commission shall attempt, upon the request of a member state, to resolve disputes which are subject to the Compact and which may arise among member states or boards. Rules will also be made for mediation and binding dispute resolution as appropriate.

SECTION 20. MEMBER STATES, EFFECTIVE DATE AND AMENDMENT

Any state is eligible to become a Compact member. The Compact shall become effective and binding upon legislative enactment of the Compact in seven states. Thereafter, it shall become effective and binding on subsequent states once enacted into law by each subsequent state.

SECTION 21. WITHDRAWAL

A member state may withdraw from the Compact by repealing the statute that enacted the Compact into law. However, withdrawal shall not take effect until one (1) year after the effective

date of the repealing statute and written notice of the withdrawal has been given by the withdrawing state to the governor of each other member state.

SECTION 22. DISSOLUTION

The Compact will dissolve when there is only one member state left in the Compact.

SECTION 23. SEVERABILITY AND CONSTRUCTION

The provisions of the Compact shall be severable and, if any provision is deemed unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be enforceable.

SECTION 24. BINDING EFFECT OF COMPACT AND OTHER LAWS

Nothing prevents the enforcement of any other law of a member state that is not inconsistent with the Compact. If there is a conflict of laws, the Compact law supersedes and trumps state law. This will be beneficial for things like information sharing of non-public information with some boards.

INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT

The ideas and conclusions set forth in this document, including the proposed statutory language and any comments or notes, have not been formally endorsed by the Federation of State Medical Boards or its Board of Directors. This document has been prepared as part of a study of the feasibility of an interstate compact, and it does not necessarily reflect the views of the Federation of State Medical Boards, the Board of Directors of the Federation of State Medical Boards, or any state medical board or its members.

1 **INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT**

2 **SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

3 In order to strengthen access to health care, and in recognition of the advances in the delivery of
4 health care, the member states of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact have allied in
5 common purpose to develop a comprehensive process that complements the existing licensing
6 and regulatory authority of state medical boards, provides a streamlined process that allows
7 physicians to become licensed in multiple states, thereby enhancing the portability of a medical
8 license and ensuring the safety of patients. The Compact creates another pathway for licensure
9 and does not otherwise change a state's existing Medical Practice Act. The Compact also adopts
10 the prevailing standard for licensure and affirms that the practice of medicine occurs where the
11 patient is located at the time of the physician-patient encounter, and therefore, requires the
12 physician to be under the jurisdiction of the state medical board where the patient is located.
13 State medical boards that participate in the Compact retain the jurisdiction to impose an adverse
14 action against a license to practice medicine in that state issued to a physician through the
15 procedures in the Compact.

16 **SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS**

17 In this compact:

18 (a) "Bylaws" means those bylaws established by the Interstate Commission pursuant to
19 Section 11 for its governance, or for directing and controlling its actions and conduct.

20 (b) "Commissioner" means the voting representative appointed by each member board
21 pursuant to Section 11.

22 (c) "Conviction" means a finding by a court that an individual is guilty of a criminal
23 offense through adjudication, or entry of a plea of guilt or no contest to the charge by the
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1 offender. Evidence of an entry of a conviction of a criminal offense by the court shall be
2 considered final for purposes of disciplinary action by a member board.

3 (d) "Expedited License" means a full and unrestricted medical license granted by a
4 member state to an eligible physician through the process set forth in the Compact.

5 (e) "Interstate Commission" means the interstate commission created pursuant to Section
6 11.

7 (f) "License" means authorization by a state for a physician to engage in the practice of
8 medicine, which would be unlawful without the authorization.

9 (g) "Medical Practice Act" means laws and regulations governing the practice of
10 allopathic and osteopathic medicine within a member state.

11 (h) "Member Board" means a state agency in a member state that acts in the sovereign
12 interests of the state by protecting the public through licensure, regulation, and education of
13 physicians as directed by the state government.

14 (i) "Member State" means a state that has enacted the Compact.

15 (j) "Practice of Medicine" means the clinical prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of
16 human disease, injury, or condition requiring a physician to obtain and maintain a license in
17 compliance with the Medical Practice Act of a member state.

18 (k) "Physician" means any person who:

19 (1) Is a graduate of a medical school accredited by the Liaison Committee on
20 Medical Education, the Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation, or a medical school
21 listed in the International Medical Education Directory or its equivalent;

22 (2) Passed each component of the United States Medical Licensing Examination
23 (USMLE) or the Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination (COMLEX-USA)

1 within three attempts, or any of its predecessor examinations accepted by a state medical board
2 as an equivalent examination for licensure purposes;

3 (3) Successfully completed graduate medical education approved by the
4 Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic
5 Association;

6 (4) Holds specialty certification or a time-unlimited specialty certificate recognized
7 by the American Board of Medical Specialties or the American Osteopathic Association's
8 Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists;

9 (5) Possesses a full and unrestricted license to engage in the practice of medicine
10 issued by a member board;

11 (6) Has never been convicted, received adjudication, deferred adjudication,
12 community supervision, or deferred disposition for any offense by a court of appropriate
13 jurisdiction;

14 (7) Has never held a license authorizing the practice of medicine subjected to
15 discipline by a licensing agency in any state, federal, or foreign jurisdiction, excluding any action
16 related to non-payment of fees related to a license;

17 (8) Has never had a controlled substance license or permit suspended or revoked by
18 a state or the United States Drug Enforcement Administration; and

19 (10) Is not under active investigation by a licensing agency or law enforcement
20 authority in any state, federal, or foreign jurisdiction.

21 (l) "Offense" means a felony, gross misdemeanor, or crime of moral turpitude.

22 (m) "Rule" means a written statement by the Interstate Commission promulgated
23 pursuant to Section 12 of the Compact that is of general applicability, implements, interprets, or

1 prescribes a policy or provision of the Compact, or an organizational, procedural, or practice
2 requirement of the Interstate Commission, and has the force and effect of statutory law in a
3 member state, and includes the amendment, repeal, or suspension of an existing rule.

4 (n) "State" means any state, commonwealth, district, or territory of the United States.

5 (o) "State of Principal License" means a member state where a physician holds a license
6 to practice medicine and which has been designated as such by the physician for purposes of
7 registration and participation in the Compact.

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9 **SECTION 3. ELIGIBILITY**

10 (a) A physician must meet the eligibility requirements as defined in Section 2(k) to
11 receive an expedited license under the terms and provisions of the Compact.

12 (b) A physician who does not meet the requirements of Section 2(k) may obtain a license
13 to practice medicine in a member state if the individual complies with all laws and requirements,
14 other than the Compact, relating to the issuance of a license to practice medicine in that state.

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16 **SECTION 4. DESIGNATION OF STATE OF PRINCIPAL LICENSE**

17 (a) A physician shall designate a member state as the state of principal license for
18 purposes of registration for expedited licensure through the Compact if the physician possesses a
19 full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in that state, and the state is:

20 (1) the state of primary residence for the physician, or

21 (2) the state where at least 25% of the practice of medicine occurs, or

22 (3) the location of the physician's employer, or

23 (4) if no state qualifies under subsection (1), subsection (2), or subsection (3), the

1 state designated as state of residence for purpose of federal income tax.

2 (b) A physician may redesignate a member state as state of principal license at any time,
3 as long as the state meets the requirements in subsection (a).

4 (c) The Interstate Commission is authorized to develop rules to facilitate redesignation of
5 another member state as the state of principal license.

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7 **SECTION 5. APPLICATION AND ISSUANCE OF EXPEDITED LICENSURE**

8 (a) A physician seeking licensure through the Compact shall file an application for an
9 expedited license with the member board of the state selected by the physician as the state of
10 principal license.

11 (b) Upon receipt of an application for an expedited license, the member board within the
12 state selected as the state of principal license shall evaluate whether the physician is eligible for
13 expedited licensure and issue a letter of qualification, verifying or denying the physician's
14 eligibility, to the Interstate Commission.

15 (i) Static qualifications, which include verification of medical education, graduate
16 medical education, results of any medical or licensing examination, and other qualifications as
17 determined by the Interstate Commission through rule, shall not be subject to additional primary
18 source verification where already primary source verified by the state of principal license.

19 (ii) The member board within the state selected as the state of principal license
20 shall, in the course of verifying eligibility, perform a criminal background check of an applicant,
21 including the use of the results of fingerprint or other biometric data checks compliant with the
22 requirements of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the exception of federal employees who
23 have suitability determination in accordance with U.S. C.F.R. §731.202.

24 (iii) Appeal on the determination of eligibility shall be made to the member state

1 where the application was filed and shall be subject to the law of that state.

2 (c) Upon verification in subsection (b), physicians eligible for an expedited license shall
3 complete the registration process established by the Interstate Commission to receive a license in
4 a member state selected pursuant to subsection (a), including the payment of any applicable
5 fees.

6 (d) After receiving verification of eligibility under subsection (b) and any fees under
7 subsection (c), a member board shall issue an expedited license to the physician. This license
8 shall authorize the physician to practice medicine in the issuing state consistent with the Medical
9 Practice Act and all applicable laws and regulations of the issuing member board and member
10 state.

11 (e) An expedited license shall be valid for a period consistent with the licensure period in
12 the member state and in the same manner as required for other physicians holding a full and
13 unrestricted license within the member state.

14 (f) An expedited license obtained though the Compact shall be terminated if a physician
15 fails to maintain a license in the state of principal licensure for a non-disciplinary reason, without
16 redesignation of a new state of principal licensure.

17 (g) The Interstate Commission is authorized to develop rules regarding the application
18 process, including payment of any applicable fees, and the issuance of an expedited license.

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20 **SECTION 6. FEES FOR EXPEDITED LICENSURE**

21 (a) A member state issuing an expedited license authorizing the practice of medicine in
22 that state may impose a fee for a license issued or renewed through the Compact.

23 (b) The Interstate Commission is authorized to develop rules regarding fees for expedited

1 licenses.

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3 **SECTION 7. RENEWAL AND CONTINUED PARTICIPATION**

4 (a) A physician seeking to renew an expedited license granted in a member state shall
5 complete a renewal process with the Interstate Commission if the physician:

6 (1) Maintains a full and unrestricted license in a state of principal license;

7 (2) Has not been convicted, received adjudication, deferred adjudication,
8 community supervision, or deferred disposition for any offense by a court of appropriate
9 jurisdiction;

10 (3) Has not had a license authorizing the practice of medicine subject to discipline
11 by a licensing agency in any state, federal, or foreign jurisdiction, excluding any action related to
12 non-payment of fees related to a license; and

13 (4) Has not had a controlled substance license or permit suspended or revoked by
14 a state or the United States Drug Enforcement Administration.

15 (b) Physicians shall comply with all continuing professional development or continuing
16 medical education requirements for renewal of a license issued by a member state.

17 (c) The Interstate Commission shall collect any renewal fees charged for the renewal of
18 a license and distribute the fees to the applicable member board.

19 (d) Upon receipt of any renewal fees collected in subsection (c), a member board shall
20 renew the physician's license.

21 (e) Physician information collected by the Interstate Commission during the renewal
22 process will be distributed to all member boards.

23 (f) The Interstate Commission is authorized to develop rules to address renewal of

1 licenses obtained through the Compact.

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3 **SECTION 8. COORDINATED INFORMATION SYSTEM**

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5 (a) The Interstate Commission shall establish a database of all physicians licensed, or
6 who have applied for licensure, under Section 5.

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, member boards shall report to the
8 Interstate Commission any public action or complaints against a licensed physician who has
9 applied or received an expedited license through the Compact.

10 (c) Member boards shall report disciplinary or investigatory information determined as
11 necessary and proper by rule of the Interstate Commission.

12 (d) Member boards may report any non-public complaint, disciplinary, or investigatory
13 information not required by subsection (c) to the Interstate Commission.

14 (e) Member boards shall share complaint or disciplinary information about a physician
15 upon request of another member board.

16 (f) All information provided to the Interstate Commission or distributed by member
17 boards shall be confidential, filed under seal, and used only for investigatory or disciplinary
18 matters.

19 (g) The Interstate Commission is authorized to develop rules for mandated or
20 discretionary sharing of information by member boards.

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22 **SECTION 9. JOINT INVESTIGATIONS**

23 (a) Licensure and disciplinary records of physicians are deemed investigative.

24 (b) In addition to the authority granted to a member board by its respective Medical
25 Practice Act or other applicable state law, a member board may participate with other member

1 boards in joint investigations of physicians licensed by the member boards.

2 (c) A subpoena issued by a member state shall be enforceable in other member states.

3 (d) Member boards may share any investigative, litigation, or compliance materials in
4 furtherance of any joint or individual investigation initiated under the Compact.

5 (e) Any member state may investigate actual or alleged violations of the statutes
6 authorizing the practice of medicine in any other member state in which a physician holds a
7 license to practice medicine.

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9 **SECTION 10. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

10 (a) Any disciplinary action taken by any member board against a physician licensed
11 through the Compact shall be deemed unprofessional conduct which may be subject to discipline
12 by other member boards, in addition to any violation of the Medical Practice Act or regulations
13 in that state.

14 (b) If a license granted to a physician by the member board in the state of principal
15 license is revoked, surrendered or relinquished in lieu of discipline, or suspended, then all
16 licenses issued to the physician by member boards shall automatically be placed, without further
17 action necessary by any member board, on the same status. If the member board in the state of
18 principal license subsequently reinstates the physician's license, a license issued to the
19 physician by any other member board shall remain encumbered until that respective member
20 board takes action to reinstate the license in a manner consistent with the Medical Practice Act of
21 that state.

22 (c) If disciplinary action is taken against a physician by a member board not in the state
23 of principal license, any other member board may deem the action conclusive as to matter of law

1 and fact decided, and:

2 (i) impose the same or lesser sanction(s) against the physician so long as such
3 sanctions are consistent with the Medical Practice Act of that state;

4 (ii) or pursue separate disciplinary action against the physician under its
5 respective Medical Practice Act, regardless of the action taken in other member states.

6 (d) If a license granted to a physician by a member board is revoked, surrendered or
7 relinquished in lieu of discipline, or suspended, then any license(s) issued to the physician by any
8 other member board(s) shall be suspended, automatically and immediately without further action
9 necessary by the other member board(s), for ninety (90) days upon entry of the order by the
10 disciplining board, to permit the member board(s) to investigate the basis for the action under the
11 Medical Practice Act of that state. A member board may terminate the automatic suspension of
12 the license it issued prior to the completion of the ninety (90) day suspension period in a manner
13 consistent with the Medical Practice Act of that state.

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15 **SECTION 11. INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT**

16 **COMMISSION**

17 (a) The member states hereby create the "Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
18 Commission".

19 (b) The purpose of the Interstate Commission is the administration of the Interstate
20 Medical Licensure Compact, which is a discretionary state function.

21 (c) The Interstate Commission shall be a body corporate and joint agency of the member
22 states and shall have all the responsibilities, powers, and duties set forth in the Compact, and
23 such additional powers as may be conferred upon it by a subsequent concurrent action of the

1 respective legislatures of the member states in accordance with the terms of the Compact.

2 (d) The Interstate Commission shall consist of two voting representatives appointed by
3 each member state who shall serve as Commissioners. In states where allopathic and osteopathic
4 physicians are regulated by separate member boards, or if the licensing and disciplinary authority
5 is split between multiple member boards within a member state, the member state shall appoint
6 one representative from each member board. A Commissioner shall be a(n):

7 (1) Allopathic or osteopathic physician appointed to a member board;

8 (2) Executive director, executive secretary, or similar executive of a member
9 board; or

10 (3) Member of the public appointed to a member board.

11 (e) The Interstate Commission shall meet at least once each calendar year. A portion of
12 this meeting shall be a business meeting to address such matters as may properly come before the
13 Commission, including the election of officers. The chairperson may call additional meetings
14 and shall call for a meeting upon the request of a majority of the member states.

15 (f) The bylaws may provide for meetings of the Interstate Commission to be conducted
16 by telecommunication or electronic communication.

17 (g) Each Commissioner participating at a meeting of the Interstate Commission is entitled
18 to one vote. A majority of Commissioners shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of
19 business, unless a larger quorum is required by the bylaws of the Interstate Commission. A
20 Commissioner shall not delegate a vote to another Commissioner. In the absence of its
21 Commissioner, a member state may delegate voting authority for a specified meeting to another
22 person from that state who shall meet the requirements of subsection (d).

23 (h) The Interstate Commission shall provide public notice of all meetings and all

1 meetings shall be open to the public. The Interstate Commission may close a meeting, in full or
2 in portion, where it determines by a two-thirds vote of the Commissioners present that an open
3 meeting would be likely to:

4 (1) Relate solely to the internal personnel practices and procedures of the
5 Interstate Commission;

6 (2) Discuss matters specifically exempted from disclosure by federal statute;

7 (3) Discuss trade secrets, commercial, or financial information that is privileged
8 or confidential;

9 (4) Involve accusing a person of a crime, or formally censuring a person;

10 (5) Discuss information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a
11 clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;

12 (6) Discuss investigative records compiled for law enforcement purposes; or

13 (7) Specifically relate to the participation in a civil action or other legal
14 proceeding.

15 (i) The Interstate Commission shall keep minutes which shall fully describe all matters
16 discussed in a meeting and shall provide a full and accurate summary of actions taken, including
17 record of any roll call votes.

18 (j) The Interstate Commission shall make its information and official records, to the
19 extent not otherwise designated in the Compact or by its rules, available to the public for
20 inspection.

21 (k) The Interstate Commission shall establish an executive committee, which shall
22 include officers, members, and others as determined by the bylaws. The executive committee
23 shall have the power to act on behalf of the Interstate Commission, with the exception of

1 rulemaking, during periods when the Interstate Commission is not in session. When acting on
2 behalf of the Interstate Commission, the executive committee shall oversee the administration of
3 the Compact including enforcement and compliance with the provisions of the Compact, its
4 bylaws and rules, and other such duties as necessary.

5 (l) The Interstate Commission may establish other committees for governance and
6 administration of the Compact.

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8 **SECTION 12. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION**

9 The Interstate Commission shall have the duty and power to:

10 (a) Oversee and maintain the administration of the Compact;

11 (b) Promulgate rules which shall be binding to the extent and in the manner provided for
12 in the Compact;

13 (c) Issue, upon the request of a member state or member board, advisory opinions
14 concerning the meaning or interpretation of the Compact, its bylaws, rules, and actions;

15 (d) Enforce compliance with Compact provisions, the rules promulgated by the Interstate
16 Commission, and the bylaws, using all necessary and proper means, including but not limited to
17 the use of judicial process;

18 (e) Establish and appoint committees including, but not limited to, an executive
19 committee as required by Section 11, which shall have the power to act on behalf of the
20 Interstate Commission in carrying out its powers and duties;

21 (f) Pay, or provide for the payment of the expenses related to the establishment,
22 organization, and ongoing activities of the Interstate Commission;

23 (g) Establish and maintain one or more offices;

24 (h) Borrow, accept, hire, or contract for services of personnel;

- 1 (i) Purchase and maintain insurance and bonds;
- 2 (j) Employ an executive director who shall have such powers to employ, select or appoint
3 employees, agents, or consultants, and to determine their qualifications, define their duties, and
4 fix their compensation;
- 5 (k) Establish personnel policies and programs relating to conflicts of interest, rates of
6 compensation, and qualifications of personnel;
- 7 (l) Accept donations and grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials and services,
8 and to receive, utilize, and dispose of it in a manner consistent with the conflict of interest
9 policies established by the Interstate Commission;
- 10 (m) Lease, purchase, accept contributions or donations of, or otherwise to own, hold,
11 improve or use, any property, real, personal, or mixed;
- 12 (n) Sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, lease, exchange, abandon, or otherwise dispose of any
13 property, real, personal, or mixed;
- 14 (o) Establish a budget and make expenditures;
- 15 (p) Adopt a seal and bylaws governing the management and operation of the Interstate
16 Commission;
- 17 (q) Report annually to the legislatures and governors of the member states concerning the
18 activities of the Interstate Commission during the preceding year. Such reports shall also include
19 reports of financial audits and any recommendations that may have been adopted by the
20 Interstate Commission;
- 21 (r) Coordinate education, training, and public awareness regarding the Compact, its
22 implementation, and its operation;
- 23 (s) Maintain records in accordance with the bylaws;

1 (t) Seek and obtain trademarks, copyrights, and patents; and

2 (u) Perform such functions as may be necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of
3 the Compact.

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5 **SECTION 13. FINANCE POWERS**

6 (a) The Interstate Commission may levy on and collect an annual assessment from each
7 member state to cover the cost of the operations and activities of the Interstate Commission and
8 its staff. The total assessment must be sufficient to cover the annual budget approved each year
9 for which revenue is not provided by other sources. The aggregate annual assessment amount
10 shall be allocated upon a formula to be determined by the Interstate Commission, which shall
11 promulgate a rule binding upon all member states.

12 (b) The Interstate Commission shall not incur obligations of any kind prior to securing
13 the funds adequate to meet the same.

14 (c) The Interstate Commission shall not pledge the credit of any of the member states,
15 except by, and with the authority of, the member state.

16 (d) The Interstate Commission shall be subject to a yearly financial audit conducted by a
17 certified or licensed public accountant and the report of the audit shall be included in the annual
18 report of the Interstate Commission.

19
20 **SECTION 14. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF THE INTERSTATE**
21 **COMMISSION**

22 (a) The Interstate Commission shall, by a majority of Commissioners present and voting,
23 adopt bylaws to govern its conduct as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes

1 of the Compact within twelve (12) months of the first Interstate Commission meeting.

2 (b) The Interstate Commission shall elect or appoint annually from among its
3 Commissioners a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and a treasurer, each of whom shall have such
4 authority and duties as may be specified in the bylaws. The chairperson, or in the chairperson's
5 absence or disability, the vice-chairperson, shall preside at all meetings of the Interstate
6 Commission.

7 (c) Officers selected in subsection (b) shall serve without remuneration from the
8 Interstate Commission.

9 (d) The officers and employees of the Interstate Commission shall be immune from suit
10 and liability, either personally or in their official capacity, for a claim for damage to or loss of
11 property or personal injury or other civil liability caused or arising out of, or relating to, an actual
12 or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred, or that such person had a reasonable basis for
13 believing occurred, within the scope of Interstate Commission employment, duties, or
14 responsibilities; provided that such person shall not be protected from suit or liability for
15 damage, loss, injury, or liability caused by the intentional or willful and wanton misconduct of
16 such person.

17 (1) The liability of the executive director and employees of the Interstate
18 Commission or representatives of the Interstate Commission, acting within the scope of such
19 person's employment or duties for acts, errors, or omissions occurring within such person's state,
20 may not exceed the limits of liability set forth under the constitution and laws of that state for
21 state officials, employees, and agents. The Interstate Commission is considered to be an
22 instrumentality of the states for the purposes of any such action. Nothing in this subsection shall
23 be construed to protect such person from suit or liability for damage, loss, injury, or liability

1 caused by the intentional or willful and wanton misconduct of such person.

2 (2) The Interstate Commission shall defend the executive director, its employees,
3 and subject to the approval of the attorney general or other appropriate legal counsel of the
4 member state represented by an Interstate Commission representative, shall defend such
5 Interstate Commission representative in any civil action seeking to impose liability arising out of
6 an actual or alleged act, error or omission that occurred within the scope of Interstate
7 Commission employment, duties or responsibilities, or that the defendant had a reasonable basis
8 for believing occurred within the scope of Interstate Commission employment, duties, or
9 responsibilities, provided that the actual or alleged act, error, or omission did not result from
10 intentional or willful and wanton misconduct on the part of such person.

11 (3) To the extent not covered by the state involved, member state, or the Interstate
12 Commission, the representatives or employees of the Interstate Commission shall be held
13 harmless in the amount of a settlement or judgment, including attorney's fees and costs, obtained
14 against such persons arising out of an actual or alleged act, error, or omission that occurred
15 within the scope of Interstate Commission employment, duties, or responsibilities, or that such
16 persons had a reasonable basis for believing occurred within the scope of Interstate Commission
17 employment, duties, or responsibilities, provided that the actual or alleged act, error, or omission
18 did not result from intentional or willful and wanton misconduct on the part of such persons.

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20 **SECTION 15. RULEMAKING FUNCTIONS OF THE INTERSTATE**
21 **COMMISSION**

22 (a) The Interstate Commission shall promulgate reasonable rules in order to effectively
23 and efficiently achieve the purposes of the Compact. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event

1 the Interstate Commission exercises its rulemaking authority in a manner that is beyond the
2 scope of the purposes of the Compact, or the powers granted hereunder, then such an action by
3 the Interstate Commission shall be invalid and have no force or effect.

4 (b) Rules deemed appropriate for the operations of the Interstate Commission shall be
5 made pursuant to a rulemaking process that substantially conforms to the “Model State
6 Administrative Procedure Act” of 2010, and subsequent amendments thereto.

7 (c) Not later than thirty (30) days after a rule is promulgated, any person may file a
8 petition for judicial review of the rule in the United States District Court for the District of
9 Columbia or the federal district where the Interstate Commission has its principal offices,
10 provided that the filing of such a petition shall not stay or otherwise prevent the rule from
11 becoming effective unless the court finds that the petitioner has a substantial likelihood of
12 success. The court shall give deference to the actions of the Interstate Commission consistent
13 with applicable law and shall not find the rule to be unlawful if the rule represents a reasonable
14 exercise of the authority granted to the Interstate Commission.

15
16 **SECTION 16. OVERSIGHT OF INTERSTATE COMPACT**

17 (a) The executive, legislative, and judicial branches of state government in each member
18 state shall enforce the Compact and shall take all actions necessary and appropriate to effectuate
19 the Compact’s purposes and intent. The provisions of the Compact and the rules promulgated
20 hereunder shall have standing as statutory law but shall not override existing state authority to
21 regulate the practice of medicine.

22 (b) All courts shall take judicial notice of the Compact and the rules in any judicial or
23 administrative proceeding in a member state pertaining to the subject matter of the Compact
24 which may affect the powers, responsibilities or actions of the Interstate Commission.

1 (c) The Interstate Commission shall be entitled to receive all service of process in any
2 such proceeding, and shall have standing to intervene in the proceeding for all purposes. Failure
3 to provide service of process to the Interstate Commission shall render a judgment or order void
4 as to the Interstate Commission, the Compact, or promulgated rules.

5
6 **SECTION 17. ENFORCEMENT OF INTERSTATE COMPACT**

7 (a) The Interstate Commission, in the reasonable exercise of its discretion, shall enforce
8 the provisions and rules of the Compact.

9 (b) The Interstate Commission may, by majority vote of the Commissioners, initiate legal
10 action in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, or, at the discretion of the
11 Interstate Commission, in the federal district where the Interstate Commission has its principal
12 offices, to enforce compliance with the provisions of the Compact, and its promulgated rules and
13 bylaws, against a member state in default. The relief sought may include both injunctive relief
14 and damages. In the event judicial enforcement is necessary, the prevailing party shall be
15 awarded all costs of such litigation including reasonable attorney's fees.

16 (c) The remedies herein shall not be the exclusive remedies of the Interstate Commission.
17 The Interstate Commission may avail itself of any other remedies available under state law or the
18 regulation of a profession.

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20 **SECTION 18. DEFAULT PROCEDURES**

21 (a) The grounds for default include, but are not limited to, failure of a member state to
22 perform such obligations or responsibilities imposed upon it by the Compact, or the rules and
23 bylaws of the Interstate Commission promulgated under the Compact.

1 (b) If the Interstate Commission determines that a member state has defaulted in the
2 performance of its obligations or responsibilities under the Compact, or the bylaws or
3 promulgated rules, the Interstate Commission shall:

4 (1) Provide written notice to the defaulting state and other member states, of the
5 nature of the default, the means of curing the default, and any action taken by the Interstate
6 Commission. The Interstate Commission shall specify the conditions by which the defaulting
7 state must cure its default; and

8 (2) Provide remedial training and specific technical assistance regarding the
9 default.

10 (c) If the defaulting state fails to cure the default, the defaulting state shall be terminated
11 from the Compact upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the Commissioners and all rights,
12 privileges, and benefits conferred by the Compact shall terminate on the effective date of
13 termination. A cure of the default does not relieve the offending state of obligations or liabilities
14 incurred during the period of the default.

15 (d) Termination of membership in the Compact shall be imposed only after all other
16 means of securing compliance have been exhausted. Notice of intent to terminate shall be given
17 by the Interstate Commission to the governor, the majority and minority leaders of the defaulting
18 state's legislature, and each of the member states.

19 (e) The Interstate Commission shall establish rules and procedures to address licenses and
20 physicians that are materially impacted by the termination of a member state, or the withdrawal
21 of a member state.

22 (f) The member state which has been terminated is responsible for all dues, obligations,
23 and liabilities incurred through the effective date of termination including obligations, the

1 performance of which extends beyond the effective date of termination.

2 (g) The Interstate Commission shall not bear any costs relating to any state that has been
3 found to be in default or which has been terminated from the Compact, unless otherwise
4 mutually agreed upon in writing between the Interstate Commission and the defaulting state.

5 (h) The defaulting state may appeal the action of the Interstate Commission by
6 petitioning the United States District Court for the District of Columbia or the federal district
7 where the Interstate Commission has its principal offices. The prevailing party shall be awarded
8 all costs of such litigation including reasonable attorney's fees.

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10 **SECTION 19. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

11 (a) The Interstate Commission shall attempt, upon the request of a member state, to
12 resolve disputes which are subject to the Compact and which may arise among member states or
13 member boards.

14 (b) The Interstate Commission shall promulgate rules providing for both mediation and
15 binding dispute resolution as appropriate.

16

17 **SECTION 20. MEMBER STATES, EFFECTIVE DATE AND AMENDMENT**

18 (a) Any state is eligible to become a member state of the Compact.

19 (b) The Compact shall become effective and binding upon legislative enactment of the
20 Compact into law by no less than seven (7) states. Thereafter, it shall become effective and
21 binding on a state upon enactment of the Compact into law by that state.

22 (c) The governors of non-member states, or their designees, shall be invited to participate
23 in the activities of the Interstate Commission on a non-voting basis prior to adoption of the

1 Compact by all states.

2 (d) The Interstate Commission may propose amendments to the Compact for enactment
3 by the member states. No amendment shall become effective and binding upon the Interstate
4 Commission and the member states unless and until it is enacted into law by unanimous consent
5 of the member states.

6

7 **SECTION 21. WITHDRAWAL**

8 (a) Once effective, the Compact shall continue in force and remain binding upon each
9 and every member state; provided that a member state may withdraw from the Compact by
10 specifically repealing the statute which enacted the Compact into law.

11 (b) Withdrawal from the Compact shall be by the enactment of a statute repealing the
12 same, but shall not take effect until one (1) year after the effective date of such statute and until
13 written notice of the withdrawal has been given by the withdrawing state to the governor of each
14 other member state.

15 (c) The withdrawing state shall immediately notify the chairperson of the Interstate
16 Commission in writing upon the introduction of legislation repealing the Compact in the
17 withdrawing state.

18 (d) The Interstate Commission shall notify the other member states of the withdrawing
19 state's intent to withdraw within sixty (60) days of its receipt of notice provided under subsection

20 (c).

21 (e) The withdrawing state is responsible for all dues, obligations and liabilities incurred
22 through the effective date of withdrawal, including obligations, the performance of which extend
23 beyond the effective date of withdrawal.

1 (f) Reinstatement following withdrawal of a member state shall occur upon the
2 withdrawing state reenacting the Compact or upon such later date as determined by the Interstate
3 Commission.

4 (g) The Interstate Commission is authorized to develop rules to address the impact of the
5 withdrawal of a member state on licenses granted in other member states to physicians who
6 designated the withdrawing member state as the state of principal license.

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8 **SECTION 22. DISSOLUTION**

9 (a) The Compact shall dissolve effective upon the date of the withdrawal or default of the
10 member state which reduces the membership in the Compact to one (1) member state.

11 (b) Upon the dissolution of the Compact, the Compact becomes null and void and shall
12 be of no further force or effect, and the business and affairs of the Interstate Commission shall be
13 concluded and surplus funds shall be distributed in accordance with the bylaws.

14
15 **SECTION 23. SEVERABILITY AND CONSTRUCTION**

16 (a) The provisions of the Compact shall be severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence,
17 or provision is deemed unenforceable, the remaining provisions of the Compact shall be
18 enforceable.

19 (b) The provisions of the Compact shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purposes.

20 (c) Nothing in the Compact shall be construed to prohibit the applicability of other
21 interstate compacts to which the states are members.

22
23 **SECTION 24. BINDING EFFECT OF COMPACT AND OTHER LAWS**

1 (a) Nothing herein prevents the enforcement of any other law of a member state
that is

2 not inconsistent with the Compact.

3 (b) All laws in a member state in conflict with the Compact are superseded to the
extent of

4 the conflict.

5 (c) All lawful actions of the Interstate Commission, including all rules and bylaws
6 promulgated by the Commission, are binding upon the member states.

7 (d) All agreements between the Interstate Commission and the member states are
binding

8 in accordance with their terms.

9 (e) In the event any provision of the Compact exceeds the constitutional limits
imposed

10 on the legislature of any member state, such provision shall be ineffective to the extent of
the

11 conflict with the constitutional provision in question in that member state.

What State Legislators Should Know About the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

What is the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact ?

The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact would create a new pathway to expedite the licensing of physicians seeking to practice medicine in multiple states. The proposal could increase access to healthcare for individuals in underserved or rural areas and allow patients to more easily consult medical experts through the use of telemedicine technologies. The Compact would make it easier for physicians to obtain a license to practice in multiple states and would strengthen public protection because it would help states share investigative and disciplinary information that they cannot otherwise share now.

Who drafted the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact?

The model Interstate Medical Licensure Compact was drafted by state medical board representatives, with assistance from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) and the Council of State Governments (CSG). The Compact's foundational blocks and principles were proposed by medical regulators from a diverse collection of states, in terms of population, size, and geographic region. Over the course of the past year, feedback on each draft of the Compact was solicited from state medical boards, provider groups, telehealth organizations, and other interested stakeholders.

How does my state become a member to the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact?

Interstate compacts are formal agreements between states that have the characteristics of both statutory law and contractual agreement. In order for a state to join the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, state legislators must enact the Compact into state law. Compact terms cannot be modified unilaterally by state legislation and take precedence over conflicting state law. However, some variation is permissible in order to make the Compact comport to local statutory style or terminology.

Does the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact usurp state authority to regulate medicine?

Facilitating expedited medical licensure through the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact serves to protect state sovereignty. Unlike preemption from Federal law or regulation, the Compact would allow the states and the state medical boards to continue to exercise their authority to protect patient welfare and regulate physicians. The Compact represents the efforts of the states to develop a dynamic, self-regulatory system of expedited licensure over which the member states can maintain control through a coordinated legislative and administrative process.

Is the Interstate Compact a national license?

No. Each license to practice medicine will be issued by a state medical board and physicians must be licensed in the state where the patient is located.

Who is eligible to seek licensure through the Compact process?

To be eligible, a physician must possess a license in a member state, be certified in a medical specialty, and have no history of being disciplined, penalized or punished by a court, a medical licensing agency or the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). Initial surveys estimate that nearly 80% of the physician population licensed in the United States will be eligible for expedited licensure via the Compact.

To be eligible, the physician must:

- Pass the USMLE or COMLEX within 3 attempts
- Possess a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a compact state
- Successfully complete a graduate medical education (GME) program
- Achieve specialty certification recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) or be in possession of a time unlimited certificate
- Have no discipline on any state medical license
- Have no discipline related to controlled substances
- Not be under investigation by any licensing agency or law enforcement

Physicians who are ineligible for the expedited licensure process facilitated by the Compact may still seek additional licenses in those states where they desire to practice through the traditional licensure processes.

What is the Interstate Commission and why is it necessary?

The Interstate Commission will provide oversight and administration of the Compact, create and enforce rules governing the processes outlined in the Compact, and promote interstate cooperation, ultimately ensuring that the Compact continues to facilitate safe and expedient access to care and physician licensure. Each state will have two representatives to the Commission.

To be appointed by the Member State appointing authority, an individual must be:

1. Allopathic or osteopathic physician appointed to a Member Board,
2. Public member of a State Medical or Osteopathic Board, or
3. Executive Director or other similarly situated executive of the state medical board

If the licensing and disciplinary authority is split between multiple Member Boards within a Member State, the Member State shall appoint one representative from each Member Board.

How would the Commission be funded? How much will it cost?

Many compact commissions currently in existence rely solely on contributions from Member States. Throughout the discussion of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, it has been clear that in order to succeed, the Compact must be as close to budget neutral as possible, and thus, self-sustaining.

Under the terms of the Compact, the Commission may assess processing fees for expedited licensure, ultimately off-setting any burden on the Member States. Additionally, the Compact Commission is enabled to seek grants and secure outside funding, through private grants, or federal appropriations in support of license portability.

When will the Compact be completed?

Following meetings of state medical boards and interested stakeholders over the past year, considerable progress has been made in developing the legislative structure for the Compact that incorporates these guiding principles. It is anticipated that a final draft of the Compact model legislation will be available by the Fall 2014.

Beginning in 2015, state legislatures will introduce the model Compact legislation (essentially identical legislative language), which will require passage of both state houses, and the signature of the Governor for enactment.

What will be the minimum number of states required to activate the Compact?

Seven (7) states must enact the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact for it to become effective.

Where can I learn more about the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact?

<http://www.fsmb.org/state-medical-boards/interstate-model-compact/>

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CURRENT RULE:

21 NCAC 32S .0216 CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

(a) A physician assistant must complete at least 100 hours of continuing medical education (CME) every two years, at least 40 hours of which must be American Academy of Physician Assistants Category I CME. CME documentation must be available for inspection by the board or its agent upon request. The two year period shall run from the physician assistant's birthday, beginning in the year 1999, or the first birthday following initial licensure, whichever occurs later.

(b) A physician assistant who possesses a current certification with the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) will be deemed in compliance with the requirement of Paragraph (a) of this Rule. The physician assistant must attest on his or her annual renewal that he or she is currently certified by the NCCPA.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-5.1(a)(3) and (10); 90-9.3; 90-18(c)(13); 90-18.1;
Eff. September 1, 2009;
Amended Eff. November 1, 2010.*

New Proposed Rule:

21 NCAC 32S .0216 CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

(a) A physician assistant must complete at least 100 hours of continuing medical education (CME) every two years, at least 50 hours of which must be recognized by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) as Category I CME. CME documentation must be available for inspection by the board or its agent upon request. The two year period shall run from the physician assistant's birthday, beginning in the year 1999, or the first birthday following initial licensure, whichever occurs later.

(b) A physician assistant who possesses a current certification with the NCCPA will be deemed in compliance with the requirement of Paragraph (a) of this Rule. The physician assistant must attest on his or her annual renewal that he or she is currently certified by the NCCPA.

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CURRENT RULE:

21 NCAC 32S .0202 QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSE

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Subchapter, an individual must obtain a license from the Board before practicing as a physician assistant. An applicant for a physician assistant license must:

- (1) submit a completed application to the Board;
- (2) meet the requirements set forth in G.S. 90-9.3 and has not committed any of the acts listed in G.S. 90-14;
- (3) supply a certified copy of applicant's birth certificate if the applicant was born in the United States or a certified copy of a valid and unexpired U.S. passport. If the applicant does not possess proof of U.S. citizenship, the applicant must provide information about applicant's immigration and work status which the Board will use to verify applicant's ability to work lawfully in the United States;
- (4) submit to the Board proof that the applicant has completed a Physician Assistant Educational Program; if a physician assistant was licensed in North Carolina after June 1, 1994, he/she must also show successful completion of the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination;
- (5) pay to the Board a non-refundable fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) plus the cost of a criminal background check. There is no fee to apply for a physician assistant limited volunteer license;
- (6) submit National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) and Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB) reports. These reports must be requested by the Applicant and submitted to the Board within 60 days of the request;
- (7) submit a Board Action Data Bank Inquiry from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). This report must be requested by the Applicant and submitted to the Board within 60 days of the request;
- (8) submit to the Board two complete original fingerprint record cards, on fingerprint record cards supplied by the Board;
- (9) submit to the Board a signed consent form allowing a search of local, state, and national files to disclose any criminal record;
- (10) disclose whether he/she has ever been suspended from, placed on academic probation, expelled or required to resign from any school, including a PA educational program;
- (11) attest that he/she has no license, certificate, or registration as a physician assistant currently under discipline, revocation, suspension or probation or any other adverse action resulting from a health care licensing board;
- (12) certify that he or she is mentally and physically able to safely practice as a physician assistant and is of good moral character;
- (13) provide the Board with three original recommendation forms dated within six months of the application. These recommendations shall come from persons under whom the applicant has worked or trained who are familiar with the applicant's academic competence or clinical skills. At least one reference form must be from a physician and two reference forms must be from peers under whom the applicant has worked or trained. References must be able to evaluate the applicant's academic competence, clinical skills and character as a physician assistant. References shall not be from any family member or in the case of new graduate applicants, references shall not be from fellow students of the applicant's Educational Program;
- (14) if two years or more have passed since graduation from a Physician Assistant Educational Program, document that he/she has successfully completed at least 100 hours of continuing medical education (CME) during the preceding two

years, at least 40 hours of which must be American Academy of Physician Assistants Category I CME; and

- (15) supply any other information the Board deems necessary to evaluate the applicant's qualifications.

(b) An applicant may be required to appear in person for an interview with the Board.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-3; 90-9.3; 90-11; 90-18(c)(13); 90-18.1;
Eff. September 1, 2009;
Amended Eff. March 1, 2011.*

New Proposed Rule:

21 NCAC 32S .0202 QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSE

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Subchapter, an individual must obtain a license from the Board before practicing as a physician assistant. An applicant for a physician assistant license must:

- (1) submit a completed application to the Board;
- (2) meet the requirements set forth in G.S. 90-9.3 and has not committed any of the acts listed in G.S. 90-14;
- (3) supply a certified copy of applicant's birth certificate if the applicant was born in the United States or a certified copy of a valid and unexpired U.S. passport. If the applicant does not possess proof of U.S. citizenship, the applicant must provide information about applicant's immigration and work status which the Board will use to verify applicant's ability to work lawfully in the United States;
- (4) submit to the Board proof that the applicant has completed a Physician Assistant Educational Program; if a physician assistant was licensed in North Carolina after June 1, 1994, he/she must also show successful completion of the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination;
- (5) pay to the Board a non-refundable fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) plus the cost of a criminal background check. There is no fee to apply for a physician assistant limited volunteer license;
- (6) submit National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) and Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank (HIPDB) reports. These reports must be requested by the Applicant and submitted to the Board within 60 days of the request;
- (7) submit a Board Action Data Bank Inquiry from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). This report must be requested by the Applicant and submitted to the Board within 60 days of the request;
- (8) submit to the Board two complete original fingerprint record cards, on fingerprint record cards supplied by the Board;
- (9) submit to the Board a signed consent form allowing a search of local, state, and national files to disclose any criminal record;
- (10) disclose whether he/she has ever been suspended from, placed on academic probation, expelled or required to resign from any school, including a PA educational program;
- (11) attest that he/she has no license, certificate, or registration as a physician assistant currently under discipline, revocation, suspension or probation or any other adverse action resulting from a health care licensing board;
- (12) certify that he or she is mentally and physically able to safely practice as a physician assistant and is of good moral character;
- (13) provide the Board with three original recommendation forms dated within six months of the application. These recommendations shall come from persons under whom the applicant has worked or trained who are familiar with the applicant's academic competence or clinical skills. At least one reference form

must be from a physician and two reference forms must be from peers under whom the applicant has worked or trained. References must be able to evaluate the applicant's academic competence, clinical skills and character as a physician assistant. References shall not be from any family member or in the case of new graduate applicants, references shall not be from fellow students of the applicant's Educational Program;

- (14) if two years or more have passed since graduation from a Physician Assistant Educational Program, document that he/she has successfully completed at least 100 hours of continuing medical education (CME) during the preceding two years, at least 50 hours of which must be recognized by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants as Category I CME; and
- (15) supply any other information the Board deems necessary to evaluate the applicant's qualifications.

(b) An applicant may be required to appear in person for an interview with the Board.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 90-3; 90-9.3; 90-11; 90-18(c)(13); 90-18.1;
Eff. September 1, 2009;
Amended Eff. March 1, 2011;.*

APPENDIX L

Subchapter	Rule Section	Rule Citation	Rule Name	Date and Last Agency Action on the Rule	Agency Determination [150B-21.3A(c)(1)a]
SUBCHAPTER 32A - ORGANIZATION		21 NCAC 32A .0101	LOCATION	Amended Eff. July 1, 2004	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32A .0104	MEETINGS	Amended Eff. May 1, 1990	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32A .0111	REQUEST FOR DECLARATORY RULING	Eff. February 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32A .0112	DISPOSITION OF REQUEST	Eff. February 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32A .0113	PROCEDURE FOR DECLARATORY RULING	Eff. February 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32A .0114	SUSPENSION OF AUTHORITY TO EXPEND FUNDS	Eff. March 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32B – LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE	SECTION .1000 - PRESCRIBING	21 NCAC 32B .1001	AUTHORITY TO PRESCRIBE	Amended Eff. August 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
	SECTION .1300 - GENERAL	21 NCAC 32B .1301	DEFINITIONS	Amended Eff. March 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1302	SCOPE OF PRACTICE UNDER PHYSICIAN LICENSE	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1303	APPLICATION FOR PHYSICIAN LICENSE	Amended Eff. December 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1350	REINSTATEMENT OF PHYSICIAN LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1360	REACTIVATION OF PHYSICIAN LICENSE	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1370	REENTRY TO ACTIVE PRACTICE	Eff. March 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
	SECTION .1400 – RESIDENT’S TRAINING LICENSE	21 NCAC 32B .1401	SCOPE OF PRACTICE UNDER RESIDENT’S TRAINING LICENSE	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1402	APPLICATION FOR RESIDENT’S TRAINING LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
	SECTION .1500 – FACULTY LICENSE	21 NCAC 32B .1501	SCOPE OF PRACTICE UNDER MEDICAL SCHOOL FACULTY LICENSE	Eff. March 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1502	APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL FACULTY LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
	SECTION .1600 – SPECIAL PURPOSE LICENSE	21 NCAC 32B .1601	SCOPE OF PRACTICE UNDER SPECIAL PURPOSE LICENSE	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1602	SPECIAL PURPOSE LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
	SECTION .1700 – OTHER LICENSES	21 NCAC 32B .1701	SCOPE OF PRACTICE UNDER LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE AND RETIRED LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1702	APPLICATION FOR LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1703	SCOPE OF PRACTICE UNDER RETIRED LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest

		21 NCAC 32B .1704	APPLICATION FOR RETIRED LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32B .1705	LIMITED PHYSICIAN LICENSE FOR DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
	SECTION .2000 – EXPEDITED APPLICATION FOR PHYSICIAN LICENSE	21 NCAC 32B .2001	EXPEDITED APPLICATION FOR PHYSICIAN LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32C - PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS		21 NCAC 32C .0102	NAME OF PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION	Amended Eff. May 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32C .0103	PREREQUISITES FOR INCORPORATION	Amended Eff. January 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32C .0104	CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION	Amended Eff. January 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32C .0105	STOCK AND FINANCIAL MATTERS	Amended Eff. May 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32C .0106	CHARTER AMENDMENTS AND STOCK TRANSFERS	Amended Eff. May 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32C .0108	FEES	Amended Eff. January 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32C .0109	REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION	Eff. May 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32F - ANNUAL REGISTRATION		21 NCAC 32F .0105	FORMS	Amended Eff. May 1, 1989	Unnecessary
		21 NCAC 32F .0106	WAIVER FOR LICENSEES SERVING ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE ARMED SERVICES OF THE US	Eff. August 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32K - NORTH CAROLINA PHYSICIANS HEALTH PROGRAM	SECTION .0100 - GENERAL INFORMATION	21 NCAC 32K .0101	DEFINITIONS	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
	SECTION .0200 - GUIDELINES FOR PROGRAM ELEMENTS	21 NCAC 32K .0201	RECEIPT AND USE OF INFORMATION OF POTENTIAL IMPAIRMENT	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0202	ASSESSMENT AND REFERRAL	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0203	MONITORING TREATMENT SOURCES	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0204	MONITORING REHABILITATION AND PERFORMANCE	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0205	MONITORING POST-TREATMENT SUPPORT	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0206	REPORTS OF INDIVIDUAL CASES TO THE BOARD	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0207	PERIODIC REPORTING OF STATISTICAL INFORMATION	Amended Eff. April 1, 2009	Necessary with substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32K .0208	CONFIDENTIALITY	Amended Eff. May 1, 1989	Necessary with substantive public interest

SUBCHAPTER 32M - APPROVAL OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS		21 NCAC 32M .0101	DEFINITIONS	Amended Eff. September 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0102	SCOPE OF PRACTICE	Amended Eff. August 1, 2004	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0103	NURSE PRACTITIONER REGISTRATION	Amended Eff. September 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0104	PROCESS FOR APPROVAL TO PRACTICE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0105	EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER	Amended Eff. December 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0106	ANNUAL RENEWAL	Amended Eff. December 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0107	CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE)	Amended Eff. December 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0108	INACTIVE STATUS	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0109	PRESCRIBING AUTHORITY	Amended Eff. December 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0110	QUALITY ASSURANCE STANDARDS FOR A COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE AGREEMENT	Amended Eff. December 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0111	METHOD OF IDENTIFICATION	Amended Eff. August 1, 2004	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0112	DISCIPLINARY ACTION	Amended Eff. April 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0115	FEES	Amended Eff. November 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32M .0116	PRACTICE DURING A DISASTER	Amended Eff. December 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32N - FORMAL AND INFORMAL PROCEEDINGS		21 NCAC 32N .0106	DEFINITIONS	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0107	INVESTIGATIONS AND COMPLAINTS	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0108	INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWS BY BOARD MEMBERS	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0109	PRE-CHARGE CONFERENCE	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0110	INITIATION OF DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0111	CONDUCTING DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0112	POST HEARING MOTIONS	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32N .0113	CORRECTION OF CLERICAL MISTAKES	Eff. February 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32P - LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES		21 NCAC 32P .0101	NAME OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	Eff. June 1, 1994	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32P .0102	PREREQUISITES FOR ORGANIZATION	Eff. June 1, 1994	Necessary without substantive public interest

		21 NCAC 32P .0103	CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION	Eff. June 1, 1994	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32P .0104	CHARTER AMENDMENTS AND MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS	Eff. June 1, 1994	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32P .0105	DOCUMENTS	Eff. June 1, 1994	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32P .0106	FEES	Eff. June 1, 1994	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32R – CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) REQUIREMENTS	SECTION .0100 – CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) REQUIREMENTS	21 NCAC 32R .0101	CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) REQUIRED	Amended Eff. August 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32R .0102	APPROVED CATEGORIES OF CME	Amended Eff. August 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32R .0103	EXCEPTIONS	Amended Eff. August 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32R .0104	REPORTING	Amended Eff. August 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32S - PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS	SECTION .0200 – PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT REGISTRATION	21 NCAC 32S .0201	DEFINITIONS	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0202	QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSE	Amended Eff. March 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0203	MANDATORY NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO PRACTICE	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0204	ANNUAL RENEWAL	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0205	INACTIVE LICENSE STATUS	Eff. September 1, 2009	Unnecessary
		21 NCAC 32S .0206	LICENSE REACTIVATION	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0207	LICENSE REINSTATEMENT	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0209	EXEMPTION FROM LICENSE	Amended Eff. November 1, 2013	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0210	IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0211	AGENCY	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0212	PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY	Amended Eff. August 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0213	SUPERVISION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0214	SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0215	RESPONSIBILITIES OF PRIMARY SUPERVISING PHYSICIANS IN REGARD TO BACK-UP SUPERVISING PHYSICIANS	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0216	CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION	Amended Eff. November 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0217	VIOLATIONS	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest

		21 NCAC 32S .0218	TITLE AND PRACTICE PROTECTION	Eff. September 1, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0219	LIMITED PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSE FOR DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES	Amended Eff. November 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0220	EXPEDITED APPLICATION FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT LICENSURE	Eff. November 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0221	LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE	Eff. December 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0222	RETIRED LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE	Eff. December 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32S .0223	SCOPE OF PRACTICE	Eff. December 1, 2012	Unnecessary
SUBCHAPTER 32T – CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONER	SECTION .0100 – CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONER	21 NCAC 32T .0101	CLINICAL PHARMACIST PRACTITIONER	Amended Eff. March 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32U - PHARMACISTS VACCINATIONS	SECTION .0100 - PHARMACISTS VACCINATIONS	21 NCAC 32U .0101	ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES BY PHARMACISTS	Amended Eff. March 1, 2012	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32V – PERFUSIONIST REGULATIONS		21 NCAC 32V .0101	SCOPE	Eff. September 1, 2007	Unnecessary
		21 NCAC 32V .0102	DEFINITIONS	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0103	QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0104	REGISTRATION	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0105	CONTINUING EDUCATION	Amended Eff. November 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0106	SUPERVISION OF PROVISIONAL LICENSED PERFUSIONISTS	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0107	SUPERVISING PERFUSIONIST	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0108	DESIGNATION OF PRIMARY SUPERVISING PERFUSIONIST FOR PROVISIONAL LICENSEE	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0109	CIVIL PENALTIES	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0110	IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0111	PRACTICE DURING A DISASTER	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0112	TEMPORARY LICENSURE	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0113	ORDERS FOR ASSESSMENTS AND EVALUATIONS	Eff. September 1, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0114	PROVISIONAL LICENSE TO FULL LICENSE	Eff. December 12, 2007	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32V .0115	FEES	Amended Eff. November 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest

SUBCHAPTER 32W - ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT REGULATIONS		21 NCAC 32W .0101	DEFINITIONS	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0102	QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE	Amended Eff. March 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0103	INACTIVE LICENSE STATUS	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0104	ANNUAL RENEWAL	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0105	CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0106	STUDENT ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0107	EXEMPTION FROM LICENSE	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0108	SCOPE OF PRACTICE	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0109	SUPERVISION OF ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANTS	Amended Eff. April 1, 2010	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0110	LIMITATIONS ON PRACTICE	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0111	TITLE AND PRACTICE PROTECTION	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0112	IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0113	FEES	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0114	VIOLATIONS	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32W .0115	PRACTICE DURING A DISASTER	Eff. April 1, 2008	Necessary without substantive public interest
SUBCHAPTER 32X – PRACTITIONER INFORMATION		21 NCAC 32X .0101	REQUIRED INFORMATION	Eff. August 11, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32X .0102	VOLUNTARY INFORMATION	Eff. August 11, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32X .0103	CONTENTS OF THE REPORT	Eff. August 11, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32X .0104	PUBLISHING CERTAIN MISDEMEANOR CONVICTIONS	Amended Eff. April 1, 2011	Necessary without substantive public interest
		21 NCAC 32X .0105	NONCOMPLIANCE OR FALSIFICATION OF INFORMATION	Eff. August 11, 2009	Necessary without substantive public interest

MINUTES

North Carolina Medical Board Retreat

September 19-20, 2014

**Renaissance Hotel
4100 Main at North Hills Street
Raleigh, North Carolina**

General Session Minutes of the North Carolina Medical Board Retreat held September 19-20, 2014.

The September 19-20 Retreat of the North Carolina Medical Board was held at the Renaissance Hotel, 4100 Main at North Hills Street, Raleigh, NC 27609. Paul S. Camnitz, MD, President, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. Board members in attendance were: Cheryl L. Walker-McGill, MD, President-Elect; Pascal O. Udekwu, MD, Secretary/Treasurer; Ms. Thelma Lennon; Eleanor E. Greene, MD; Subhash C. Gumber, MD; Mr. Michael Arnold; Ms. H. Diane Meelheim, FNP; Debra A. Bolick, MD (Retreat Workgroup Chair); Timothy E. Lietz, MD; Barbara E. Walker, DO and Mr. A. Wayne Holloman.

Staff in attendance included: Mr. David Henderson, Executive Director; Mr. Thomas Mansfield; Dr. Scott Kirby; Ms. Judie Clark; Ms. Jean Brinkley; Ms. Joy Cooke; Mr. Jerry Weaver; Mr. Hari Gupta; Ms. Nancy Hemphill; Ms. Christina Apperson.

Guests/ Retreat Facilitators present: Laura Bingham and Frederick Fink of the Newport Board Group. The entire meeting was in open session.

Friday, September 19, 2014

Opening Remarks

Dr. Debra Bolick, Chair of Strategic Planning Workgroup, welcomed everyone.

Dr. Paul Camnitz, NCMB President and member of the Strategic Planning Workgroup, thanked everyone for their willingness to take additional time after a busy Board meeting to participate in a Retreat.

Current State Strategic Topics

Laura Bingham and Fred Fink made a presentation on consensus topics from their interviews with Board members, stakeholders, peers and staff. They also presented a draft Strategic Priorities chart.

Need to Know Context: Regulatory Review and Reform:

Changes occurring in the NC legislature, Governor's office and Office of the State Auditor which may affect the structure and governance of the NCMB, Mike Arnold and Thomas Mansfield
Alliance for Connected Care Campaign, Dr. Scott Kirby

Challenges and Opportunities: Breakout Session 1

One group was assigned to discuss Strategic issues facing the Board. This was led by Strategic Planning Workgroup member Dr. Timothy Lietz.

The second group discussed Operational and Financial Frameworks. This was led by Strategic Planning Workgroup Chair Dr. Debra Bolick.

Reports from groups:

Dr. Barbara Walker, Strategic Planning Workgroup member, facilitated the reports from the two groups.

Closing thoughts:

Dr. Debra Bolick thanked those in attendance, reminded everyone to be back by 8 am on Saturday, and adjourned the meeting at 5:15 pm.

Saturday, September 20, 2014

Welcome:

Dr. Debra Bolick called the meeting into session at 8 am.

More Need to Know Frameworks:

Laura Bingham moderated presentations given by staff members:
Staff Organizational Design(s) 1996-2014, David Henderson
Status on Key Performance Indicator project, Nancy Hemphill
Insights from Licensee Surveys, Hari Gupta

Challenges and Opportunities: Breakout Session 2:

Led by Dr. Lietz and Dr. Bolick, the entire group reviewed the notes taken the previous day and discussed the issues *en banc*.

Closing thoughts and adjournment:

The Retreat adjourned at 11 am.

NCMB Strategic Plan: 2015- 2018

At its September 2014 Retreat, the Board reached consensus around being more proactive in its mission of protecting the public and more relevant to the constantly changing marketplace, health care practice models, and licensee, stakeholder, and public expectations. The Board also recognizes the uncertainties and complexities inherent in its Current State (2014) and seeks to clarify for those it serves and to lead in its policies - as much as practicable - toward a shared vision of its Future State, by 2018.

BOARD GOVERNANCE

- ✓ Vigorous oversight of the NC Physicians Health Program ensures that PHP affords due process; complies with state laws, operating agreements and best practices; and regularly monitors and evaluates treatment centers (2015)
- ✓ Ongoing education on Board roles to accrue organizational knowledge and consistency in decision-making (2016)
- ✓ NC Medical Practice Act is modernized (2017)
- ✓ Board Members view NCMB's effectiveness by Strategic Goals achieved while also continuing to act decisively in licensing and disciplinary duties (2018)

POLICY

- ✓ Telemedicine and retail medicine policies balance changes to the delivery of medical care with patient protection (2016)
- ✓ Innovative licensure initiatives, including multi-state compacts, as feasible, gain legislative approval and are implemented (2018)

FINANCIAL STRENGTH

- ✓ Legislative approval for a fee increase is enacted and investment policy is recalibrated (2015)
- ✓ New revenues, ongoing cost controls and optimal use of technology bolster finances (2017)
- ✓ NCMB operates with appropriate office and public hearing space (2018)
- ✓ Balanced budgets, reserves at 50%, and investments earn three-year rolling average of > 5% ROI, using financial modeling (2018)

OUTREACH AND TRANSPARENCY

- ✓ Policies, protocols and outcomes are widely communicated to all constituencies (2015+)
- ✓ Licensee education initiatives for medical schools/students, training programs/residents, and health care systems receive priority (2015+)
- ✓ Convenor role engages constituents and informs policy development (2015+)
- ✓ NCMB is a trusted resource for policy makers and the public, providing data and analytics to enhance mission (2017)
- ✓ NCMB is known for active constituency engagement and collaboration as judged by a stakeholder survey (2018)

ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY & OUTCOMES

- ✓ Staff reorganization facilitates role of Executive Director in Outreach and Policy, and strengthens internal capacities (2015)
- ✓ Data and uses of analytics focus regulatory attention and improve outcomes (2016)
- ✓ Cross-training, succession planning and professional development plans exist throughout NCMB organization (2016)
- ✓ Performance measures ensure mission efficiencies and regulatory quality (2016)
- ✓ Synchronous leadership of Board and senior staff drives organizational effectiveness (2018)