HAWAII MEDICAL BOARD

Professional and Vocational Licensing Division Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

	The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").	
Date:	Thursday, September 12, 2019	
<u>Time:</u>	1:00 p.m.	
<u>Place:</u>	King Kalakaua Conference Room King Kalakaua Building 335 Merchant Street, 1 st Floor Honolulu, HI 96813	
<u>Present:</u>	Jone Geimer-Flanders, D.O., Chairperson, Oahu Osteopathic Member Peter Halford, M.D., Vice-Chairperson, Oahu Member Maria Chun, Ph.D., Public Member Darren K. Egami, M.D., Maui Member Andrew "Rick" Fong, M.D., Hawaii Member Peter Holt, M.D., Oahu Member Michael Jaffe, D.O., Oahu Osteopathic Member Wesley Mun, Public Member Danny Takanishi, M.D., Oahu Member Geri Young, M.D., Kauai Member Shari J. Wong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG") Ahlani K. Quiogue, Executive Officer Kellie Teraoka, Division Secretary Josephine Madiro, Secretary	
Excused:	Franklin V.H. Dao, M.D., Oahu Member	
<u>Guests:</u>	Kenneth B. Simons, M.D., The Federation of State Medical Boards Todd Phillips, CFO, The Federation of State Medical Boards	
<u>Call to</u> Order:	The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m., at which time quorum was established.	
<u>Approval of the</u> <u>August 8, 2019</u> <u>Minutes</u> :	It was moved by Dr. Holt, seconded by Dr. Jaffe, to approve the minutes of the executive session of the August 8, 2019, meeting unamended and the minutes of the regular session of the August 8, 2019, meeting with the following amendments:	

Page 8, Condition No. 6, should read as follows:

The Board, at its discretion, may pursue additional disciplinary action as provided by law to include further fines and other sanctions as the Board may deem appropriate if [you] **Dr. Griesel** violate<u>s</u> any further provision of the statutes or rules governing the conduct of physicians in the State of Hawaii, or if [you] **she** fails to abide by the terms of [you] **her** conditional license.

Page 10, Hawaii Revised Statutes section 453-8(c) should be deleted and be replaced as follows:

[(c) Where the board has reasonable cause to believe that a licensee is or may be unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to protect patients, the board may order the licensee to submit to a mental or physical examination or any combination thereof, by a licensed practitioner approved by the board, at the licensee's expense. The examination may include biological fluid testing and other testing known to detect the presence of alcohol or other drugs.]

(c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the board may deny a license to any applicant who has been disciplined by another state or federal agency. Any final order of discipline taken pursuant to this subsection shall be a matter of public record.

Adjudicatory Matters:	None.		
Applications for License/	a.	<u>Applic</u>	cations:
Certification:	It was moved by Dr. Egami, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 1:10 p.m., pursuant to HRS §92-5(a)(1), to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional licenses cited in HRS §26-9, and, pursuant to HRS §92-5(a)(4), to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities.		
	(i)	Physic	cian (Permanent):
		a.	Patrick C. Yeakey, M.D.
		b.	Robert C. Barton, Jr., M.D.
		C.	Brian C. Fedeson, M.D.
		d.	Nancy A. Jeffers, M.D.

e. William W. Kirby, M.D.

f. Edward H. Park, M.D.

DAG Wong entered the meeting room at 1:37 p.m.

Chair Geimer-Flanders recused herself from the discussion and voting on Dr. Park's application and left the meeting room from 1:38 p.m. to 1:52 p.m.

- Mazen A. Roshdy, M.D. g.
- h. Atul Sheth aka Atul Seth, M.D.
- Physician (Endorsement): (ii)
 - Gregory C. Gerber, M.D. a.

It was moved by Dr. Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Holt, and unanimously carried to return to the open meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Applications for a.

License/ Certification: Applications:

It was moved by Dr. Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Young, and unanimously carried to approve the following applications:

- (i) Physician (Permanent):
 - Patrick C. Yeakey, M.D. a.
 - Brian C. Fedeson, M.D. c.
 - Nancy A. Jeffers, M.D. d.
 - William W. Kirby, M.D. e.
 - Mazen A. Roshdy, M.D. g.
 - h. Atul Sheth aka Atul Seth, M.D.
- (i) Physician (Permanent):
 - b. Robert C. Barton, Jr., M.D.

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Dr. Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Jaffe, and unanimously carried to approve Dr. Barton's application and request clarification regarding the malpractice claim which occurred in 2017.

b.

f. Edward H. Park, M.D.

After due consideration of the information received, it was moved by Dr. Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Egami, and unanimously carried to defer Dr. Park's application for further review and discussion.

It was moved by Dr. Takanishi, seconded by Dr. Egami, and unanimously carried to approve the following application:

(ii) <u>Physician (Endorsement):</u>

a. Gregory C. Gerber, M.D.

<u>Applications for</u> <u>License/</u> <u>Certification:</u>

(i) List

Ratifications:

It was moved by Chair Geimer-Flanders, seconded by Dr. Takanishi, and unanimously carried to ratify the attached list of individuals for licensure or certification.

Presentation: a. Federation of State Medical Boards: At Your Service

Chair Geimer-Flanders welcomed the guest speakers, Kenneth B. Simons, M.D. and Todd Phillips, CFO, to the meeting room at 2:02 p.m.

The Board members and staff introduced themselves.

The Federation of State Medical Board ("FSMB") was established in 1912. Its office locations are in Euless, Texas and Washington, D.C. FSMB is a non-profit organization employing 165+ employees. It represents the seventy (70) medical and osteopathic regulatory boards – the state medical boards within the United States, its territories and the District of Columbia.

Through its services, the FSMB supports its member boards as they fulfill their mandate protecting the public's health, safety and welfare through proper licensing, disciplining, and regulation of physicians and, in most jurisdictions, other health care professionals.

Mr. Phillips and Dr. Simons provided an overview of the FSMB services, including, but not limited to:

• Physician Data Center

Center repository for disciplinary sanctions, licensure information and specialty board certification data for physicians and physician assistants.

Assessment Offerings from FSMB

Post-Licensure Assessment System (PLAS) and Special Purpose Examination (SPEX); plus, collaborative arrangements with physician assessment programs.

• United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE)

Mr. Phillips and Dr. Simons informed members that they may volunteer for item writing.

• Federation Credential Verification Service (FCVS)

Primary source and physician provided information; processes certified by the NCQA; permanent credentials repository for 22,000+ physicians; and promotes license portability.

• Uniform Application for State Licensure (UA)

Standardized online application for MDs and DOs is currently used by 27 state medical boards.

- 1. <u>CORE</u>: Basic questions of state's license application.
- 2. <u>ADDENDUM</u>: State-board specific questions which helps maintain autonomy.
- 3. Uniform Application for PAs currently adopted by 6 SMBs with 2 more in process.

• Educational Offerings

Annual Meeting: April 30 – May 2, 2020, San Diego, California

Board Attorney Workshops: November 7 – 8, 2020, New Orleans, Louisiana

New Executives Orientation: June 28 – 29, 2020, Euless, Texas

- Roundtable Seminars
- Policy Development and Legislative & Advocacy Work

Mr. Mun left the meeting room at 2:35 p.m. and returned at 2:38 p.m.

Chair Geimer-Flanders thanked Dr. Simons and Mr. Phillips for their presentation and asked whether there were any questions. Being that there were no questions, Dr. Simons and Mr. Philips were excused from the meeting room at 2:54 p.m.

Unfinished Business:

- a. <u>Correspondence</u>:
 - (i) <u>E-mail correspondence dated July 25, 2019 July 29, 2019, between Beth Arnold, PharmD, BCPP, Professional Services Project Manager, Costco Wholesale Pharmacy, and Ms. Quiogue, regarding the Board's interpretation of what it means for a patient to be "seen" by a licensed physician as provided in section 461-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, The Practice of Pharmacy.
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The Board members reviewed e-mail correspondence dated July 25, 2019 – July 29, 2019, between Beth Arnold, PharmD, BCPP, Professional Services Project Manager, Costco Wholesale Pharmacy, and Ms. Quiogue, regarding the Board's interpretation of what it means for a patient to be "seen by a licensed physician as provided in section 461-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, The Practice of Pharmacy."

First, the Board members stated that it does not interpret or issue opinions on sections in chapters other than its own chapter, Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 453. The Board may issue informal opinions regarding its own statutes and rules, but the Board has no jurisdiction over HRS Chapter 461.

Chair Geimer-Flanders referred to Dr. Arnold's summary, which states:

Members purchase a travel medicine consultation on Costco.com and complete a medical history and travel itinerary questionnaire.

Medical staff specialized in travel medicine (physicians & nurses) at our contracted vendor review the information submitted by the member virtually and provide comprehensive travel recommendations electronically that include specific vaccines and/or oral medications (+ dose, route of administration, quantity, etc.). The travel medicine vendor does not have direct contact with the patient.

> Based on the above summary as well as the Travel Directive provided by Dr. Arnold, Chair Geimer-Flanders stated that it is her believe that, although there is no direct contact with patients, the provider appears to be practicing medicine by provide comprehensive travel recommendations electronically that include specific vaccines and/or oral medications (+ dose, route of administration, quantity, etc.). She emphasized that making recommendations for vaccines and/or oral medications, including dosages, route of administration, quantity, etc. is the practice of medicine regardless of whether there is no direct contact with the patient. Further, it appears that the contracted provider is practicing telehealth.

The Board members concurred with Chair Geimer-Flanders's statements.

Discussion followed. It was moved by Chair Geimer-Flanders, seconded by Vice-Chair Halford, and unanimously carried to have Ms. Quiogue provide a response to Dr. Arnold, which summarizes the above discussion as well as inform her that it is the Board's informal opinion that a medical license is required to perform the services as discussed above pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") §§ 453-1 and 453-1.3, as follows:

HRS §453-1 provides that:

For the purposes of this chapter the practice of medicine by a physician or an osteopathic physician includes the use of drugs and medicines, water, electricity, hypnotism, osteopathic medicine, or any means or method, or any agent, either tangible or intangible, for the treatment of disease in the human subject; provided that when a duly licensed physician or osteopathic physician pronounces a person affected with any disease hopeless and beyond recovery and gives a written certificate to that effect to the person affected or the person's attendant nothing herein shall forbid any person from giving or furnishing any remedial agent or measure when so requested by or on behalf of the affected person.

This section shall not amend or repeal the law respecting the treatment of those affected with Hansen's disease.

For purposes of this chapter, "osteopathic medicine" means the utilization of full methods of diagnosis and treatment in physical and mental health and disease, including the prescribing and administration of drugs and

> biologicals of all kinds, operative surgery, obstetrics, radiological, and other electromagnetic emissions, and placing special emphasis on the interrelation of the neuromusculoskeletal system to all other body systems, and the amelioration of disturbed structure-function relationships by the clinical application of the osteopathic diagnosis and therapeutic skills for the maintenance of health and treatment of disease.

HRS §453-1.3 provides in relevant part, that:

- (b) Telehealth services shall include a documented patient evaluation, including history and a discussion of physical symptoms adequate to establish a diagnosis and to identify underlying conditions or contraindications to the treatment recommended or provided.
- (c) Treatment recommendations made via telehealth, including issuing a prescription via electronic means, shall be held to the same standards of appropriate practice as those in traditional physician-patient settings that do not include a face-to-face visit but in which prescribing is appropriate, including on-call telephone encounters and encounters for which a follow-up visit is arranged. Issuing a prescription based solely on an online questionnaire is not treatment for the purposes of this section and does not constitute an acceptable standard of care. For the purposes of prescribing opiates or certifying a patient for the medical use of cannabis, a physician-patient relationship shall only be established after an in-person consultation between the prescribing physician and the patient.
- (e) A physician shall not use telehealth to establish a physician-patient relationship with a patient in this State without a license to practice medicine in Hawaii.
- (j) For the purposes of this section:

"Distant site" means the location of the physician delivering services through telehealth at the time the services are provided.

> "Originating site" means the location where the patient is located, whether accompanied or not by a health care provider, at the time services are provided by a physician through telehealth, including but not limited to a physician's office, hospital, health care facility, a patient's home, and other non-medical environments such as schoolbased health centers, university-based health centers, or the work location of a patient.

> "Telehealth" means the use of telecommunications as that term is defined in section 269-1, to encompass four modalities: store and forward technologies, remote monitoring, live consultation, and mobile health; and which shall include but not be limited to real-time video conferencing-based communication, secure interactive and noninteractive web-based communication, and secure asynchronous information exchange, to transmit patient medical information, including diagnosticquality digital images and laboratory results for medical interpretation and diagnosis, for the purposes of: delivering enhanced health care services and information while a patient is at an originating site and the physician is at a distant site; establishing a physician-patient relationship; evaluating a patient; or treating a patient.

Lastly, in accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules §16-201-90, the above interpretation is for informational and explanatory purposes only. It is not an official opinion or decision, and therefore is not to be viewed as binding on the Board or the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

b. Legislation:

It was moved by Chair Geimer-Flanders, seconded by Vice-Chair Halford, and unanimously carried to defer this agenda item to the next meeting.

Committees: a. Emergency Medical Personnel

Advisory

None.

b. <u>Physician Assistants</u>

None.

c. <u>Podiatrists</u>

None.

Open Forum: None.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:00 p.m. King Kalakaua Conference Room, First Floor 335 Merchant Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 3:07 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by: Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Ahlani K. Quiogue

/s/ Josephine Madiro

(Ms.) Ahlani K. Quiogue Executive Officer (Ms.) Josephine Madiro Secretary

AKQ:jm 09/27/19

 Minutes approved as is.
 Minutes approved with changes: see minutes of the October 10, 2019 meeting

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