

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce & Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

AGENDA FOR MEETING

Date: November 13, 2024

Time: Immediately following the public hearing

In-person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual: Virtual Videoconference Meeting - Zoom Meeting
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Agenda: Posted on the State electronic calendar as required by Hawaii Revised Statutes section 92-7(b).

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1. Roll Call, Quorum, Call to Order, Public Notice – HRS §92-3 Open Meetings and HAR §16-84-39 Oral Testimony

2. Approval of the Minutes of the September 17, 2024 Board Meeting

The Board may move into Executive Session in accordance with HRS §92-4 and §92-5(a)(1) and (4) "To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both;" and "To consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities."

3. Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") Adjudicatory Matters:

- a. None

4. Applications

The Board may move into Executive Session in accordance with HRS §92-4 and §92-5(a)(1) and (4) "To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both;" and "To consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities."

- a. Ratifications (see attached Addendum)
- b. Massage Apprentice Applications
 - 1) Jonathan Luna
- c. Massage Therapist Applications
 - 1) James Blair
 - 2) Salina Kincaid – Exam Waiver Request
 - 3) Nestor Ruiz
- d. Massage Establishment Applications
 - 1) None

5. Executive Officer's Report

- a. Massage Therapy examination statistics
- b. Continuing education audit

On June 25, 2021, Act 21 was signed into law by the Governor mandating continuing education requirements for massage therapist licensees beginning in 2024. The renewal deadline for licensees was June 30, 2024.

Pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) 452-16(c), “The Board may conduct random audits of licensees to determine compliance with the continuing education requirements of subsection (b). The board shall provide written notice of an audit to a licensee randomly selected for audit. Within sixty days of notification, the licensee shall provide the board with documentation verifying compliance with the continuing education requirements established by subsection (b).”

Randomly audited licensees have been contacted in writing to their mailing address on file. Response is required by December 31, 2024.

c. Hawaii State Ethics Commission

Memo from Wesley Fong, Chair of the Hawaii State Ethics Commission, recognizing state agencies and boards that achieved 100% completion of the mandatory ethics training, including the Board of Massage Therapy.

6. New Business

a. Discussion of the November 13, 2024 Public Hearing for Proposed Amendments to Title 16, Chapter 84 Hawaii Administrative Rules (“HAR”) and consideration of adoption of proposed rules

b. Delegation to Executive Officer

The Board will consider whether it will delegate to its Executive Officer the authority to approve certain prior convictions/misdemeanors on its behalf to expedite the application process.

c. Legislative Liaison(s)

The Board will consider appointing legislative liaison(s) to provide positions and testify on legislative proposals.

d. Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (“FSMTB”) Meeting Summary from Shanon Skoog

Board member Shanon Skoog will deliver a report regarding her attendance at the 2024 FSMTB Annual Meeting.

7. Ongoing Business

- a. Future New Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 84, Hawaii Administrative Rules (“HAR”)

The Board will continue ongoing discussion of possible new HAR amendments. Any rules revisions would be introduced through a new rules package separate from the one currently in motion that was presented for public hearing on November 13, 2024.

8. Next Meeting:
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| Date: | To Be Announced – <i>Please check the Board’s website for updates</i> |
| Time: | 10:00 a.m. |
| In-Person: | Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 |
| Virtual: | Zoom Meeting |

9. Adjournment

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If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, contact Randy Ho at (808) 586-2696, Monday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or email massage@dcca.hawaii.gov as soon as possible, preferably by November 8, 2024. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled.

Upon request, this notice is available in alternate/accessible formats.

BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
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MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: September 17, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813

Virtual: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Olivia Nagashima, Massage Therapist, Chair
Jayce Arakaki, Public Member, Vice Chair
Sean St. Louis, Massage Therapist
Shanon Skoog, Public Member

Excused: Darci Frankel, Massage Therapist

Zoom Recording Link: <https://youtu.be/XWln7SoCKOs?si=rOEFg79vS31F15qA>

Staff Present: Risé Doi, Executive Officer (“EO”)
Christopher Leong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG”)
Marc Yoshimura, Secretary
Dawn Lee, Secretary
Johnny Li, Tech Support

Guests: Kawaiohawaiki Garran
Jeffery Leiendecker
Andrea Turner
Harsh
Nirmal Kumar Jain

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was posted on the State electronic calendar as required by HRS section 92-7(b).

A short video regarding virtual meetings was played to explain procedures for the virtual meeting and how members of the public can participate and interact with the Board during the meeting.

Call to Order: In accordance with Act 220, SLH 2021, all Board members attending virtually confirmed that they were alone in their nonpublic location. After taking roll, a quorum was established, and Chair Nagashima called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

Election of
Officers:

Chair Nagashima opened the floor for nominations for the position of Board Chair. Chair Nagashima volunteered for the position. It was moved by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, voted on and unanimously carried to elect Olivia Nagashima as the Board's Chair.

Chair Nagashima opened the floor for nominations for the position of Board Vice Chair. Ms. Skoog nominated Jayce Arakaki.

It was moved by Ms. Skoog, seconded by Mr. St. Louis, voted on and unanimously carried to elect Jayce Arakaki as the Board's Vice Chair.

Recess:

The Board went into recess at 1:18 p.m.

The Board moved out of recess at 1:42 p.m.

Chapter 91,
Hawaii Revised
Statutes ("HRS")
Adjudicatory
Matters:

a. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist's License of Mareena Trinnaman and the Massage Establishment's License of Saitara Thai Massage LLC; (MAS-2024-15-L) – Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the above-referenced settlement agreement.

b. In the Matter of the Massage Therapist's License of Thananya Owens and the Massage Establishment's License of Healthland, LLC doing business as Siam Thai Massage and Spa (MAS-2024-55-L) – Settlement Agreement Prior to Filing of Petition for Disciplinary Action and Board's Final Order

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the above-referenced settlement agreement.

Approval of
Minutes of the
July 2, 2024
Meeting:

Chair Nagashima asked if any members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item. There were none.

The following correction was made to the open meeting minutes: Page 2: Under "Applications" and "Ratification List", it should read: "Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by [~~Ms. Skoog~~] Ms. Frankel, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the attached list of individuals for licensure."

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the open session minutes of the July 2, 2024 meeting as amended.

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the executive session minutes of the July 2, 2024 meeting as circulated.

Applications: Chair Nagashima asked if any members from the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item. There were none.

Ratification List (see attached list):

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Mr. Arakaki, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve the attached list of individuals for licensure.

Executive Session: It was moved by Chair Nagashima, seconded Mr. St. Louis, and unanimously carried to enter executive session at 1:44 p.m., in accordance with 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.

Mr. Arakaki left the meeting at 3:22 p.m.

At 3:33 p.m., it was moved by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, and unanimously carried to move out of executive session.

Applications:

1) Premkamal Spas LLC

Upon a motion by Mr. St. Louis, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Premkamal Spas LLC's massage therapy establishment application.

2) Golden Lotus Studio Kauai LLC

Upon a motion by Mr. St. Louis, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Golden Lotus Studio Kauai LLC's massage therapy establishment application.

3) Rafael Smith

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Mr. St. Louis, it was voted on and unanimously carried to deny Rafael Smith's application to sit for the Hawaii massage

therapy exam, pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) 436B-19(1),(7), (9), (12), and (13); HRS 452-13(a)(3); and Hawaii Administrative Rules (“HAR”) 16-84-48(b)(2) and (3).

4) Kawaiohawaiki Garran – Exam waiver request

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Mr. St. Louis, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Kawaiohawaiki Garran’s application to sit for the Hawaii massage therapy exam, but deny her exam waiver request.

5) James Blair II

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Mr. St. Louis, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer James Blair II’s application to sit for the Hawaii massage therapy exam, pending course descriptions.

6) Thai Essan Muscular Arts T.E.M.A.

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Mr. St. Louis, it was voted on and unanimously carried that based on the review of Thai Esan Muscular Arts T.E.M.A.’s application and supporting documents, the school’s curriculum meets the Board’s minimum education and training hours required for an applicant to obtain a license in massage therapy. The Board directed the EO to issue an approval letter valid through the Department of Education (“DOE”) licensure period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025, pending the restoration of MAE-17822.

7) Pacific Center for Awareness and Body Work

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Mr. St. Louis, it was voted on and unanimously carried that based on the review of Pacific Center for Awareness and Body Work’s application and supporting documents, the school’s curriculum meets the Board’s minimum education and training hours required for an applicant to obtain a license in massage therapy. The Board directed the EO to issue an approval letter valid through the Department of Education (“DOE”) licensure period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2025.

EO Doi presented the massage therapy exam statistics for June 2024, July 2024, and August 2024. The total pass rate increased from June to August.

b. Update on Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 16 Chapter 84

EO Doi explained that she received approval to proceed with the public hearing notice for the rule revisions. She is working on a draft of the public hearing notice with DAG Leong and said that the notice needs to be posted 30 days before the hearing. EO Doi is trying to meet the deadline so that the public hearing can be held in November, same day prior to the regular Board meeting.

New Business:

a. Permitted Interaction Group (“PIG”) report on PSI Services and discussion of massage exam items

Chair Nagashima reported that she met with Gina Hoffman from PSI Services, and they were able to add more items to the question bank. Chair Nagashima noted that more items are needed, and she needs additional help. EO Doi noted that Ms. Frankel is unable to participate in the PIG at this time and explained that Ms. Frankel is okay with being replaced by another member for the PIG. Chair Nagashima asked if Mr. St. Louis would be willing to participate in the PIG. Mr. St. Louis agreed.

Upon a motion by Chair Nagashima, seconded by Ms. Skoog, it was voted on and unanimously carried to have Mr. St. Louis replace Ms. Frankel in the PIG.

Unfinished Business:

a. Rule Revisions – Title 16, Chapter 84, Hawaii Administrative Rules

EO Doi noted that Ms. Skoog submitted a draft with suggested revisions. Chair Nagashima requested that the Board members continue to work on the sections of the rules that they were assigned in the previous meeting. The subchapters are assigned as follows:

Mr. Arakaki- Subchapter 2 Applications

Ms. Skoog- Subchapter 7 Examination; Subchapter 4 Establishment Conditions

Ms. Frankel- Subchapter 3 Principal Massage Therapist; Subchapter 4 Establishment Conditions

Mr. St. Louis- Subchapter 11 Advertising

Chair Nagashima- Subchapter 1 General Provisions (definitions); Subchapter 6 Apprentices; Subchapter 12 Massage Students

Next Meeting:

November 13, 2024

9:00 a.m.

Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room

HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
(Videoconference Meeting Zoom Meeting – TBD)

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Chair Nagashima adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

Taken by:

/s/ Risé Doi

Risé Doi
Executive Officer

10/7/2024

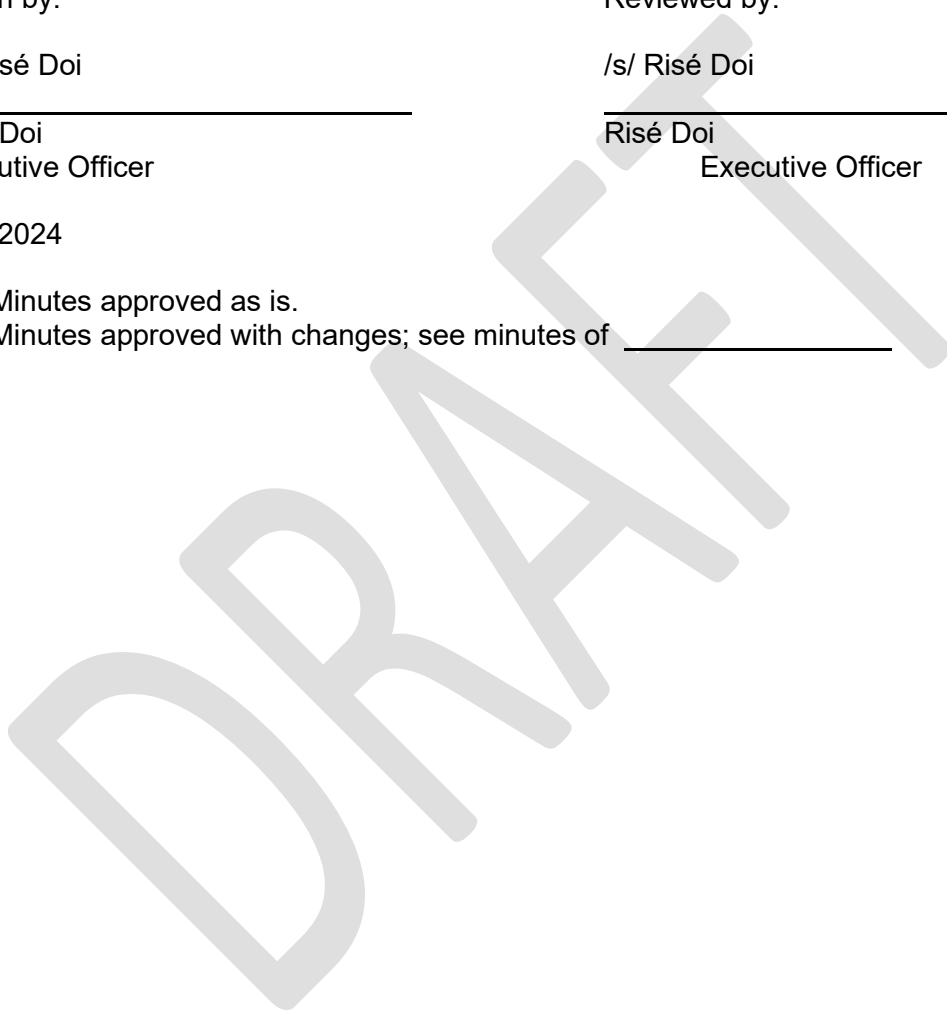
[] Minutes approved as is.

[] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____

Reviewed by:

/s/ Risé Doi

Risé Doi
Executive Officer



ADDENDUM TO AGENDA
September 17, 2024

MESSAGE THERAPIST

MAT-17885	Mose Lemi
MAT-17887	Claire E Amelotte
MAT-17888	Amornthep Suanpan
MAT-17890	Monica M Szczupider
MAT-17891	Crystal S Funke
MAT-17892	Anna L G Piianaia
MAT-17893	Yuki Lopez
MAT-17894	Michael C Branch
MAT-17895	Jacquelyn L Troller
MAT-17897	John A Q Amoguis
MAT-17898	Corrine A Sharp
MAT-17899	Kati Lyn Moch
MAT-17900	Garry L Wakely
MAT-17901	Koaalii R A Gibson
MAT-17902	David B Blum
MAT-17904	Chonnikarn Suesat
MAT-17905	Justin K K Lopez
MAT-17906	Motoko Kuroda
MAT-17907	Michelle A Tarajcak
MAT-17908	Mai Egawa
MAT-17909	Elena G Apetri
MAT-17910	Kaile A. M. Maratita
MAT-17912	Marc A Rodriguez
MAT-17913	Hitomi Yamamoto
MAT-17914	Jemaimha Lung-Gat
MAT-17915	Gingerly S Chapin
MAT-17916	Brandon M Glimsdahl
MAT-17917	Nicole H Texeira
MAT-17919	Amanda R Basenback
MAT-17920	Eric D Pajdak
MAT-17921	Cierra Tanicala
MAT-17922	Jason Louis Rios
MAT-17923	Leila Viana Parreira
MAT-17924	Lindsey Ballyhoo
MAT-17925	Kori A Flint
MAT-17927	Moon Li
MAT-17928	Thomas A Alkire
MAT-17929	Julie A Lefmann
MAT-17930	Yumiko Lum
MAT-17931	Ericka R Velasco
MAT-17932	Shoko Hayashi

MAT-17933	Michelle Carpenter
MAT-17934	Nick A Lautieri
MAT-17935	Elise M Wetherholt
MAT-17936	Naomi N Melamed
MAT-17938	Terrill J K A Williams
MAT-17939	Susan S Paikuli-Stride
MAT-17940	Michelle M Schuler
MAT-17941	Simone Klara Denzinger-White
MAT-17944	Kaylie Jo Ward
MAT-17945	Dylan Feehan
MAT-17947	Malia A Reason
MAT-17948	Kelcie Rapoza
MAT-17949	Cory Ikaika Wells
MAT-17950	Roman A Daves
MAT-17951	Theresa P Dahl
MAT-17955	Tarek M Albizem
MAT-17956	Manuel A Marquez
MAT-17957	Rain K Skyles
MAT-17958	Heather C Heffernan
MAT-17959	Aya O Nappa
MAT-17960	Alicia Benvenuto-O'Donnell
MAT-17961	Ivyl B Sliney
MAT-17962	Brianna Baca
MAT-17963	Devin-Jacob Estrada
MAT-17964	Gavin S Scarbrough-Kidd
MAT-17965	Jiaying T Feng
MAT-17966	Tatiya M Berger
MAT-17967	John K McGowan
MAT-17968	Brittany M Peckham
MAT-17969	Rui H Zhang
MAT-17970	Jennifer A Clark
MAT-17971	Kaori Hakata

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA
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MESSAGE ESTABLISHMENT

MAE-17868	Hawaii Raised LLC
MAE-17882	PT Hawaii INC
MAE-17884	The Skin Sage Spa LLC
MAE-17896	CHG SPA 001, LLC
MAE-17903	Fantastic Spa LLC
MAE-17911	Elevate Wellness Kauai LLC
MAE-17926	Hilo Thai Massage
MAE-17937	Loveable Creation INC
MAE-17942	North Shore Bay TRS LLC
MAE-17943	Blue Hawaii Massage LLC
MAE-17946	Lola Beauty Allure LLC
MAE-17953	Hanapepe Body Atelier LLC
MAE-17954	Mo'ohina Wellness LLC

<p><i>Holomua Massage Academy & Training Center LLC, MAE 17329</i> Instructor: Danie Villena Jr., MAT 15600, Sheilla-Mary Villena, MAT 12618 Initial Course: Sept. 4, 2024 – Dec. 13, 2024 Location: 94-916 Waipahu St. Ste. B Waipahu, HI 96707 Phone: (808) 987-3086</p>
<p><i>Kekaimalino LLC, MAE 2461</i> Instructor: Mariko Sato, MAT 11268, Adele Lafever, MAT 16182 Initial Course: Sept. 30, 2024 – Nov. 25, 2024 Location: 116 Kamehameha Ave. Hilo, HI 96720 Phone: (808) 937-9621</p>
<p><i>Ho'ola Massage Academy, MAE-17527</i> Instructor: Christopher Musslewhite MAT 13028 Initial Course: Sept. 1, 2024 – Sept. 30, 2024 Location: 249 E Kahaopea St. Hilo, HI 96720 Phone: (808) 785-9296</p>

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<p><i>Aloha Massage Academy, MAE 16678</i> Instructor: Angela Leslee, MAT 4052, Elizaveta Salnikova MAT 15841 Initial Course: Oct. 14, 2024 – Dec. 19, 2024 Location: 79-7411 Mamalahoa Hwy, Kainaliu, HI 96750 Phone: (808) 937-6019</p>
<p><i>Kanya Thai Massage LLC, MAE 3452</i> Instructor: Kanyaporn Panwong, MAT 15699 Initial Course: Sept. 15, 2024 – Sept. 15, 2025 Location: 1750 Kalakaua Ave Ste. 2403 Honolulu, HI 96826 Phone: (808) 352-8714</p>
<p><i>Knead Professional Massage, MAE 3148</i> Instructor: Hazelyn Uy Stamm, MAT 13820 Initial Course: August 6, 2024 – June 30, 2026 Location: 94-916 Waipahu St. Ste. B Waipahu, HI 96707 Phone: (808) 688-1808</p>
<p><i>Knead Professional Massage, MAE 3148</i> Instructor: Elizabeth Samala, MAT 16012 Initial Course: August 6, 2024 – June 30, 2026 Location: 94-916 Waipahu St., Ste. B Waipahu, HI 96797 Phone: (808) 688-1808</p>

<p><i>R Haunani Hopkins dba Mapuna Wai Ola, MAE 1744</i> Instructor: Rene Haunani Hopkins MAT 5099, Claudia Brullhardt MAT-14836, Katharina Torreiter MAT-11078 Initial Course: Sept. 3, 2024 – Nov. 9, 2024 Location: 79-7256 Nahenahe Loop, Honalo, HI 96740 Phone: (808) 896-0572</p>

MESSAGE SUMMARY OF EXAMS ADMINISTERED

September-24

EXAM	# ADMIN	1st Time PASS	1st Time PASS%	TOTAL FAIL	TOTAL PASS	TOTAL FAIL %	TOTAL PASS %
Hawaii Massage Therapy	61	18	29.51%	34	27	55.74%	44.26%

MASSAGE SUMMARY OF EXAMS ADMINISTERED

October-24

EXAM	# ADMIN	1st Time PASS	1st Time PASS%	TOTAL FAIL	TOTAL PASS	TOTAL FAIL %	TOTAL PASS %
Hawaii Massage Therapy	50	17	34.00%	24	26	48.00%	52.00%

HAWAII BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

Guidance for Massage Therapists and Continuing Education (CE)

On June 25, 2021, Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2021 was signed into law.

Act 102, SLH 2021 amended Hawaii Revised Statutes § 452-16 (Renewal of license; fee; **continuing education**.) to require continuing education for all Hawaii massage therapists with the biennium commencing on **July 1, 2022** and every biennial renewal thereafter.

The continuing education requirement:

- **Beginning on July 1, 2022**, requires all massage therapists to complete at least twelve (12) hours of continuing education within the 2-year period preceding the renewal date (**by June 30, 2024**), of which two (2) of those twelve (12) hours shall include first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, or other emergency-related courses;
- Requires the Board to adopt rules relating to the requirements and standards that continuing education programs shall meet to obtain recognition and approval from the Board; and
- Authorizes the Board to conduct a random audit of licensees to determine compliance with the continuing education requirements during the preceding biennium. All licensees selected for audit will be provided written notice of their selection and required to respond within sixty (60) days of notification by and providing documentation verifying compliance with the continuing education requirements.

The Board of Massage Therapy is still in the process of promulgating administrative rules relating to the requirements and standards that continuing education programs shall meet to obtain recognition and approval from the Board. This is a guidance document for your reference as you complete the CE courses required for licensure renewal before June 30 of every even-numbered year.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Will I be required to send CE completion certificates with my licensure renewal?

A: During licensure renewal, you will attest to completing the CE requirement, but you do not need to send copies of any certificates at that time. If you are selected for audit, you will then be required to submit copies of your CE completion certificates.

Q: Will I be required to complete CE if I renew on inactive status?

A: You do not need to complete CE if you renew on inactive status. However, upon reactivation of your license, you will need to provide proof that you met the CE requirement during the preceding biennium.

Q: Will I be required to submit CE completion certificates if I restore my license?

A: If you do not renew your license on time, your license is automatically forfeited. You have one year to restore your license. You must submit a restoration application, fees, including a late fee and proof of completion of the CE requirement for the preceding biennium. If you do not restore your license within one year, you will need to reapply as a new applicant.

Q: What topics are eligible for the CE requirement?

A: Two of the CE hours must be in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation ([CPR](#)), or other emergency-related training courses and must include a hands-on training component.**

~~**For the June 2024 renewal cycle only, a first aid, CPR, or other emergency-related course that is completed online will be accepted.~~

The remaining ten CE hours shall be in any category that enhances the skills and knowledge of the massage therapist, including, but not limited to, professional ethics, theory and practice of massage therapy, modalities, and professional development. Practice-building business courses will not be accepted.

~~**For the June 2024 renewal cycle only, [an exception will be made to accept a first aid, CPR, or other emergency-related course that is completed entirely online.](#) will be accepted.~~

Q: What are the requirements for the first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), or other emergency-related training course?

A: Two of the continuing education hours shall include first aid, CPR, or other emergency-related courses. The course must be completed and include a hands-on training component.** The course must be sponsored by the American Heart Association (AHA) or American Red Cross (ARC). CPR courses that are sponsored by other providers will need to show curriculum consistent with AHA or ARC guidelines. This requirement is limited to a maximum of two CE hours per biennium.

**For the June 2024 renewal only, an exception will be made to accept a first aid, CPR, or other emergency-related course that is completed entirely online.

~~**For the June 2024 renewal cycle only, a first aid, CPR, or other emergency-related course that is completed online will be accepted.~~

Q: Will online courses be accepted?

A: Distance learning courses will be approved. Distance learning includes courses taken by home study, whether delivered synchronously or asynchronously online by computer means, by live or recorded video or audio media, or by printed materials.

Q: How long is one CE hour?

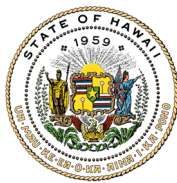
A: One CE hour must consist of at least 50 minutes of any one clock hour during which the student participates in a learning activity in the presence of an instructor, or in a distance learning activity designed and delivered by a provider.

Q: What are the requirements for a CE provider?

A: Providers of the CE courses shall include massage schools approved by a state board of massage, nationally accredited massage certifying organizations, and local or national professional associations.

Q: What information needs to be on the CE completion certificate?

A: The CE provider shall issue written evidence to each attendee. This certificate shall include the name of the attendee; name of the provider; course or program title, date, and location; and the number of CE hours. Each licensee shall be responsible for maintaining their own completion certificates in the case that they are audited.



HAWAI‘I STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Heads of Departments and Agencies, Human Resources Representatives,
Board Administrators, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Media

FROM: Wesley Fong, Chair
Hawai‘i State Ethics Commission

DATE: October 23, 2024

RE: Mandatory Ethics Training Requirement

Aloha!

I am pleased to extend our sincere congratulations to those state agencies and boards that have achieved reaching 100% completion of the mandatory ethics training. Since April 2023, an impressive 88% of state employees and 91% of state board members have completed the training, demonstrating a strong commitment to upholding ethical standards across our state.

This success is a direct result of the invaluable collaboration between agency HR officers, board administrators, and the Ethics Commission staff. Your diligent efforts in supporting the promotion and facilitation of the training have been essential to this accomplishment. We hope that this invaluable training will help to encourage a better understanding and compliance with our state’s ethics laws.

On behalf of the Ethics Commission, I extend my deepest appreciation for your ongoing support and commitment. Let us continue to work together to strengthen ethical governance throughout the state.

Enclosure



Mandatory Ethics Training Requirement 100% Completion

Agencies

HHSC
Legislative Reference Bureau
Office of Hawaiian Affairs
Office of the Auditor
Office of the Governor
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Office of the Ombudsman

Boards & Commissions

Acupuncture
Barbering & Cosmetology
BLNR
Board of Agric.
Campaign Spending Comm'n
Chiropractic Examiners
Civil Rights Comm'n
Comm'n on the Status of Women
Contractors License
Council on Revenues
Crime Victim Comp.
CWRM

DCAB
Deferred Comp. Plan
Dentistry
Elevator Mechanics
ERS
EUTF
FestPAC
Geographic Names
Green Infrastr. Auth.
HHFDC
HHSC-East Hawai'i
Historic Places Review
HTA
HTDC
Hurricane Relief Fund
Island Burial - Hawai'i
Island Burial - Molokai
KIRC
Legacy Land Conservation
LUC
Massage Therapy
Merit Appeals
Motor Vehicle Repair

Naturopathic Medicine
Optometry
Paroling Authority
NELHA
Nursing
Pest Control
Pharmacy
Physical Therapy
PISCES
Psychology
Public Accountancy
Public Housing Auth.
PUC
Real Estate
Retirement Savings
School Facilities Auth.
SFCA
Speech Pathology/ Audiology
Stadium Authority
State Fire Council
State Public Charter Sch. Comm'n
UH Board of Regents
Veterinary Medicine

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Board Delegation to EO on Applications with Prior Convictions

For Board consideration: Would the Board like to “delegate” to the EO approval of prior convictions from applicants that meet the following criteria:

- One conviction;
- No felony conviction;
- Applicant has complied (nothing outstanding, e.g. probation, fine, etc.) with court sanctions, etc.;
- Conviction is not related to applicant’s performance as massage therapist, massage apprentice, or in connection to a massage establishment;
- Conviction not within 5 years of the date application received (unless otherwise noted); and
- Conviction is listed in the table below:

Conviction	Delegated to EO
<u>Traffic Violations/Tickets:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Speeding - Parking - Driving without or with expired license - Not wearing a seat belt - Failing to stop at stop sign - Failure to yield right of way to vehicle - Following too closely - Violate restrictions on driver’s license - Negligent driving - Running a red light - Talking on cell phone while driving - Driving in emergency lane - Failing to stop for school bus - Driving without insurance - Making left turn at intersection - Grass parking in public park - No bicycle or moped tax decal - Bicycle racing - Parking in a tow zone - Delinquent vehicle tax 	
Unlawful entry without park permit	
Minor in possession of alcohol	

Curfew violations	
Shoplifting	
Trespassing	
Reckless/Wet driving	
Negligent driving	
Possession of open container while driving	
Obstruction of highway	
Disorderly conduct	
Possession of drug paraphernalia	
Embezzlement (only if over 10 years ago)	
Dog/cat at large, unlicensed animal, unlawful animal attack	
Telephone harassment	
Theft (only if over 10 years ago)	
Criminal damage to property/Injury to real property	
Criminal contempt of court	
DUI/DWI/OVI	
Driving with a 0.08 higher blood alcohol	
DUI-property damage	
Operating a motorboat while intoxicated	
Failure to appear in answer to citations	
Drinking in public/Drunk in public	