

**Maryland Board of Pharmacy
Public Board Meeting**

Agenda
Date: April 15, 2015

Name	Title	Present	Absent	Present	Absent
Board Committee					
Ashby, D.	Commissioner				
Bradley-Baker, L.	Commissioner/Secretary				
Gavgani, M. Z.	Commissioner/Treasurer				
Israbian-Jamgochian, L.	Commissioner/President				
Jones, David H.	Commissioner				
Peters, Roderick	Commissioner				
Robinson, T.	Commissioner				
Rochester, C.	Commissioner				
Roy, S.	Commissioner				
Smith, J.	Commissioner				
St. Cyr, II, Z. W.	Commissioner				
Zagnit, B.	Commissioner				
Board Counsel					
Bethman, L.	Board Counsel				
Felter, B.	Staff Attorney				
Board Staff					
Naesea, L.	Executive Director				
Wu, Y.	Compliance Manager				
Waddell, L.	Licensing Manager				
Gaither, P.	Administration and Public Support Manager				
Jeffers, A.	Legislation/Regulations Manager				
Johnson, John	MIS Manager				

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I. Executive Committee Report(s)	<p>A.) L. Israbian-Jamgochian, Board President</p> <p>B.) L. Bradley-Baker, Secretary</p>	<p><i>Members of the Board with a conflict of interest relating to any item on the agenda are advised to notify the Board at this time or when the issue is addressed in the agenda.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Call to Order 2. Sign-in Introduction and of meeting attendees – <i>(Please indicate on sign-in sheet if you are requesting CE Units for attendance)</i> 3. Distribution of Agenda and packet materials 4. Review and approval of March 2015 Minutes 	
II. A. Executive Director Report	L. Naesea, Executive Director	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Operations Update 2. Meetings Update <p>FDA Drug Compounding Meeting</p> <p>University of Maryland, Department of Psychiatry 2nd Annual Telemental Health Meeting, entitled, "<i>Future Directions for Videoconferencing Technology</i>," scheduled for Wednesday, June 3, from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm at Westminster Hall. Registration for this exciting event is required.</p>	
B. Administration and Public Support (APS)	B. P. Gaither, APS Manager	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personnel Update for March 2015 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Total Number of Positions: 30</i> b. <i>Current Permanent Staff: 26</i> 	

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		<p>c. <i>Vacancies as of this month:</i> Coordinator Special Programs, Compliance unit Health Occupations Investigator I, Compliance unit (2) Administrative Specialist I, Executive Unit (to be re-classified to Unit Deputies - 08926 and 089218)</p> <p>d. <i>Current Contractual or Temporary Emergency Employees (TE) Staff:</i> 1 Contractual conversion in progress as of April 8, 2015.</p> <p>e. <i>Request for Freeze Hire in progress:</i> 0</p> <p>f. <i>Recruitment in progress:</i> 1 Health Occupations I for Compliance.</p> <p>g. <i>Interview in progress:</i> 1 Coordinator Special Programs for Compliance</p> <p>h. <i>Selection in progress:</i> 0</p> <p>i. <i>Appointment in progress/completed:</i> 1 Office Secretary I Start Date: April 15, 2015</p> <p>j. <i>Reclassification in progress:</i> 1 Administrative Specialist I to Program Manager I -089216. Awaiting Department of Budget and Management approval.</p> <p>k. <i>Current contracts for Peer Review/Expert Witness:</i> 2</p>	

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		<p>1. Agency Reorganization: Awaiting Department of Budget and Management approval.</p> <p>2. Contracts and Procurement</p> <p>a. Software Engineering - Evaluation complete and forwarded to OPASS for final approval April 1.</p> <p>b. Business Analyst solicitation - Scheduling interviews to select candidate.</p>																													
C. MIS	J. Johnson, MIS Manager	<p>1. Unit Update</p>																													
D. Licensing	Y. Wu, Compliance Officer	<p>1. Unit Update</p> <p>2. Monthly Statistics</p> <p><i>March 2015</i></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="730 907 1705 1370"> <thead> <tr> <th>License Type</th> <th>New</th> <th>Renewed</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Pharmacist</td> <td>41</td> <td>372</td> <td>10531</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vaccination</td> <td>25</td> <td>2</td> <td>3727</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pharmacy</td> <td>21</td> <td>0</td> <td>1908</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Distributor</td> <td>5</td> <td>4</td> <td>1116</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pharmacy Technician</td> <td>160</td> <td>232</td> <td>9146</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Student Technician</td> <td>44</td> <td>0</td> <td>863</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	License Type	New	Renewed	Total	Pharmacist	41	372	10531	Vaccination	25	2	3727	Pharmacy	21	0	1908	Distributor	5	4	1116	Pharmacy Technician	160	232	9146	Student Technician	44	0	863	
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E. Compliance	Y. Wu, Compliance Manager	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unit Update 2. Monthly Statistics 	
F. Legislation & Regulations	A. Jeffers, Legislation & Regulations Manager	<p><u>REGULATIONS:</u></p> <p><u>10.34.38 Pharmacy Interns</u></p> <p>The proposal was published in the Maryland Register on January 23, 2015 with a 30 day comment period. No comments received.</p> <p>Notice of Final Action published April 3, 2015 with an effective date of July 1, 2015</p> <p><u>10.13.01 Dispensing of Prescription Drugs by a Licensee</u></p> <p>Proposal published May 30, 2014. Placed on HOLD by AELR (Del. Morhaim).</p> <p>Working with the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy to ensure there are enough CE credits available for the phase in.</p> <p>To be revised this year:</p> <p><u>10.34.19 Sterile Pharmaceutical Compounding</u></p> <p><u>10.34.33 Prescription Drug Repository Program</u></p> <p><u>LEGISLATION:</u></p> <p><u>Tracking List - Board of Pharmacy - 2015 Legislation (update handout will be provided at the meeting)</u></p>	

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		<u>OTHER MATTERS:</u>	
III. Committee Reports A. Practice Committee	M. Gavgani, Chair	<u>Inquiries:</u> 1) Peter A. Parvis, Miles and Stockbridge <u>Letter - Board of Pharmacy - Request for Guidance</u> <u>2015 NABP Survey Physician Ownership</u> <u>Draft Board Response – physician substantial ownership</u> 2) Fariborz Zarfeshan <u>Consulting for Free in AL</u> <u>Draft Board Response – Consulting in Assisted Living for free</u> 3) Matthew D. Balish, Pemberton Pharmacy <u>Matthew Balish - disposal inquiry</u> <u>Draft Board Response – Drug disposal box</u> 4) Stuart Yael Gordon, Consumer <u>NPLEX question</u> <u>Draft Board Response – NPLEX – pseudoephedrine</u> 5) Adam Goldfarb, Pharmacy Manager, VCA Veterinary Referral Associates	

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		<p><u>Goldfarb Veterinarian question</u></p> <p><u>Draft Board Response – Veterinarian Compounding</u></p> <p>6) Claire Jensen, BARCS Veterinarian Compounding</p> <p><u>Vet Compounding Question</u></p> <p><u>Draft Board Response – BARCS -Veterinarian Compounding</u></p> <p><u>Pharmacist Working Conditions Survey</u></p> <p><u>Survey Pharmacist Working Conditions Pt1 040715</u></p> <p><u>Naturopathic Workgroup</u></p> <p><u>NFWG-BOPCategories</u></p>	

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B. Licensing Committee	L. Bradley-Baker, Chair	<p>1. Review of Pharmacist Applications:</p> <p>a. <i>Tamer Ahmed</i> - Applicant is requesting waiver of 1500 internship hours since he has earned more than 1560 hrs through his PhD research degree. <u>Licensing Committee's recommendation:</u> Deny the waiver of internship hours.</p> <p>b. <i>Richard Collins</i> - Applicant is requesting an extension for the expiration date of his application. Application was received 02/28/2014, expired 02/28/2015 <u>Licensing Committee's recommendation:</u> Deny the request to extend the reciprocity application.</p> <p>c. <i>Candidate: 08627</i> - Applicant is requesting the Board's approval to take the NAPLEX exam for a 6th time. <u>Licensing Committee's recommendation:</u> The Board does not have the authority to deny a licensee from re-taking the NAPLEX, however, the Board recommends the licensee taking a NAPLEX review course prior to taking the next exam.</p> <p>d. <i>Rajeev Verma</i> - Applicant is requesting full or partial refund of fees paid to the Board in order to reciprocate his license. The Maryland license is no longer needed. <u>Licensing Committee's recommendation:</u> Deny the request for refund.</p> <p>2. Review of Pharmacy Technician Applications:</p>	

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		<p>a. <i>Yu Wei Chen</i> - Applicant for pharmacy student exemption is requesting waiver of SSN due to being international student. <u>Licensing Committee's recommendation:</u> Approve Pharmacy Student Exemption application and inform the student that on July 1, 2015 a Student Intern Registration application will have more stringent requirements.</p> <p>3. Review of Distributor Applications: None</p> <p>4. Review of Pharmacy Applications: None</p> <p>5. Review of Pharmacy Technicians Training Programs: None</p> <p>6. New Business:</p> <p>a. <i>IDs other than SS#</i> - Board Counsel will find out what additional documents could be used as IDs aside from SS# (e.g.: passports, driver's licenses, etc...). Ask MIS the # of characters that the MLO system can accommodate under SS# field. <u>MIS response:</u> MLO has the ability to add a new data type where passport IDs can be entered.</p> <p>b. <i>On Line Verification and Printing of licenses</i> - Would like the Board to review what steps need to be taken to print registrations online instead of a paper licenses unless upon request along with a fee. <u>Licensing Committee Recommendation:</u> Board Counsel reported that there is no legal hindrance to the online printing of registrations rather than paper ones. Issue: Can MLO accommodate this?</p>	

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		<p>c. <i>Postcard Renewal Notifications</i> - Requesting the Board's approval to use Postcards to notify licensees of their upcoming renewals. <u>Licensing Committee Recommendation:</u> Approve the Postcard notifications. Actual size should be ½ page and in bright yellow canary of blue color.</p>	
C. Public Relations Committee	D. Jones, Chair	Public Relations Committee Update	
D. Disciplinary	J. Smith, Chair	Disciplinary Committee Update	
E. Emergency Preparedness Task Force	S. Roy, Chair	Emergency Preparedness Task Force Update	
IV. Other Business & FYI	L. Israbian-Jamgochian, Board President		
V. Adjournment	L. Israbian-Jamgochian, Board President	<p>The Public Meeting was adjourned at _____.</p> <p>At _____ P.M. L. Israbian-Jamgochian convened a Closed Public Session to conduct a medical review of technician applications.</p> <p>C. The Closed Public Session was adjourned at _____ P.M.</p>	

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		<p>Immediately thereafter, L. Israbian-Jamgochian convened an Administrative Session for purposes of discussing confidential disciplinary cases. With the exception of cases requiring recusals, the Board members present at the Public Meeting continued to participate in the Administrative Session.</p>	