

## **AGENDA**

### **CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS**

**Thursday, October 15, 2020, at 9:00 A.M.**

Department of Public Health  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford CT

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **MINUTES**

Review of the minutes from July 16, 2020.

#### **LICENSE REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION**

- **Jonathan Rosa, DC, License # 001949**  
*Presented by Stephen Carragher Public Health Services Manager,  
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section*

#### **OFFICE OF LEGAL COMPLIANCE**

- A. Debra Burns, D.C. – Petition No.2019-1014  
*Consent Order – Presented by Diane Wilan, Staff Attorney, DPH*

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A). NBCE Part IV State Board Examiner Nomination  
B) Schedule meeting dates for 2021.

#### **ADJOURN**

**This meeting will be held by video conference at the following link:**

**[Board of Chiropractic Examiners - October 15, 2020 - via Microsoft Teams](#)**

(FOR AUDIO ONLY) [+1 860-840-2075](tel:+18608402075) Conference ID: 632 121 378#

*The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.*

The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting on July 16, 2020.

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Candito Carroccia, DC  
Gina Carucci, DC  
Karlos Boghosian, DC

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Sean Robotham, DC

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

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Dr. Carroccia called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All participants were present by video/telephone conference.

**I. MINUTES**

Dr. Boghosian made a motion, seconded by Dr. Carucci, to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2020 meeting. The motion passed.

**II. UPDATES**

Mr. Kardys reported that the Department of Public Health has 6 ongoing investigations regarding chiropractic physicians.

Dr. Boghosian gave an update on the administration of the Part IV examination and Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Board activities.

**III. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m. on motion by Dr. Carucci, seconded by Dr. Boghosian.

Respectfully submitted  
Candito Carroccia, DC  
Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

TO: Connecticut Board of Chiropractic Examiners

FROM: Steve Carragher  
Public Health Services Manager  
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section

RE: **Jonathan Rosa, DC, License # 001949, Reinstatement of a Lapsed License**

Pursuant to the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, the Department shall refer applicants for reinstatement to the Board and seek its recommendation regarding the suitability of the applicant for reinstatement.

Please accept this as a summary of the documentation submitted in support of Dr. Rosa's reinstatement application.

**History:**

1. Applicant graduated from the University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic in 2013.
2. Applicant was issued Connecticut chiropractic license July 24, 2013. Applicant does not hold a chiropractic license in any other state.
3. Applicant's last date of practice as a chiropractor was in residency training at University of Bridgeport Chiropractic College in April 2016.
4. Applicant voluntarily surrendered his license effective April 12, 2017.
5. On February 14, 2017, applicant was convicted of Manslaughter 2<sup>nd</sup> degree with a Motor Vehicle, and Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree with a motor vehicle after operating the motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison, execution suspended after 4 years and 5 years of probation. He is currently on parole and is living in a halfway house. He is expected to complete his parole on July 24, 2020 and then will begin his court ordered probation. He is in compliance with all terms of his parole.
6. Attached is applicant's resume.
7. Attached is a statement submitted by applicant.
8. Attached is a letter from Dr. James J. Lehman, Director, Community Health Clinical Education Department, University of Bridgeport.

The Department is seeking the Board's recommendation solely regarding the lapse in active clinical practice as a chiropractor and any additional requirements the Board would recommend regarding refresher training or continuing education.

Applicant's disciplinary history will be reviewed further by the Department and a determination will be made by the Department whether to reinstate the license pursuant to the terms of a reinstatement consent order along with a period of probation to include random urine screens.

# Jonathan D. Rosa, DC, DACO

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## Credentials

Active release technique certified for upper extremity	2010-2011
Bachelor in science	2010
Doctorate in chiropractic	July 2013
Board certified	2013
Licensed chiropractor in the state of Connecticut	2013-2017
Certificate of acupuncture (105 hours)	
Advanced clinical training of neuromusculoskeletal medicine (NMSM, 201 hours)	Jan 2, 2016
Diplomate of the Academy of Chiropractic Orthopedists (DACO)	

## Skill Highlights

- Fully bilingual in English and Spanish
- ART Certification for upper extremity 2010-2011
- Instrumented assisted soft tissue technique
- Flexion/Distracton technique
- SOT technique
- PIR and PFS technique
- CPR certified 2012
- Acupuncture certified Advanced online clinical training (NMSM)
- Worked in Community health centers for underserved population 2012-2016
- Treated Bridgeport Bluefish Baseball team
- ACSM CEC Certificate (Addressing concussions inn Sports among kids and teens) 2016

## Clinical Experience

- 1.) University of Bridgeport Chiropractic College clinic February 2012 to May 2013

### *Chiropractic intern*

Student clinic	2/28/12-4/21/12
Outpatient clinic	7/11/12-5/14/13
Bridgeport Optimus.	*served as Spanish translator 3/27/12, 3/19/12
Bridgeport Bluefish Baseball team.	July 2012
Meriden Community Health Center	5/7/12-6/25/12
Waterbury Community Health Center	11/5/12-12/17/12
Danbury Community Health Center	2/25/13-4/1/13

Diagnosed musculoskeletal conditions by questioning, observing, and examining patients as well as interpreting x-rays, MRIs and CT scans. Manually adjusted patients to correct musculoskeletal system problems. Treated adult and adolescent patients suffering from neck, back, pelvic, shoulder, elbow, wrist and hip pain.

2.) University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic Post Graduate Program 2013-2016

***Chiropractic resident***

Served as a teacher's assistant for orthopedic, neurology, differential diagnosis courses and mentored chiropractic students. Worked at multiple Community Health Centers. Attended 300 hours of weekend seminars for chiropractic orthopedic diplomate. Completed 201 hours of advanced online clinical training. Completed 105 hours of weekend seminars to acquire certificate of acupuncture.

Meriden Community Health Center	2013-2014
Waterbury Community Health Center	2013-2014
New London Community Health Center	2013-2015
Middletown Community Health Center	2013-2016
Norwalk Community Health Center	2015-2016
Stamford Community Health Center	2015-2016

**Education and Training**

<b><i>The Academy of Chiropractic Orthopedists</i></b>	<b>2016</b>
Diplomate of the Academy of Chiropractic Orthopedists	
<b><i>University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic Post Graduate</i></b>	<b>2013-2016</b>
Orthopedic residency program	
Bridgeport, CT	
<b><i>University of Bridgeport Chiropractic College</i></b>	<b>2013</b>
Doctorate in Chiropractic	
Bridgeport, CT	
<b><i>University of Bridgeport</i></b>	<b>2010</b>
Bachelor of Science	
Bridgeport, CT	

2/27/20

Department of Public Health

410 Capitol Ave, Hartford, CT, 06134

Dear Sirs,

On April 26, 2015 I was involved in a motor vehicle accident which resulted in someone's death. The night of the accident I was invited to go out with some friends, I had too much to drink and fell asleep on the ride back home. The events of that night do and forever will haunt me. I have always taken pride in helping and caring for people, which is why this experience has been extremely traumatic and painful; it goes against everything I stand for. Prior to the accident I worked throughout Connecticut driving to multiple community health centers providing chiropractic care to underserved populations through the University of Bridgeport College of Chiropractic residency program and Community Health Center Inc. Following my arrest I was terminated from the residency to avoid the bad publicity. My dismissal had nothing to do with my performance as a chiropractic professional. I had never been in trouble with the law or had traffic violations before this incident. I understand the amount of pain that my mistake has cost and I have faced every consequence head on. On February 14, 2017 I was convicted to 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Vehicular Manslaughter and was sentenced to 4 years in prison. While imprisoned I willingly surrendered my chiropractic license to Mr. Falcioni and followed all his instructions. Throughout my time incarcerated I did not receive a single ticket and maintained busy and productive with work as a tutor for GED as well as completed numerous programs for self-improvement. I am now recently released and looking for a chance to reinstate my license and return to my career as a chiropractor. I have a job opportunity from my previous employer which requires me to attain my license. I very respectfully request the opportunity to return to my profession and give back to the community and be a productive member of society.

Thank you for your consideration.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J.D.R." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jonathan D. Rosa DC, DACO

Rosa-Whitlock 419258

Pettinato, Stacey  
Tue 5/26/2020 9:03 PM

To: Brown, Deborah M.;

You replied on 5/27/2020 7:33 AM.

Hello Deborah,

I am the temporary supervising Parole Officer for Jonathan Rosa-Whitlock DOB 9/22/1988. He has been a resident at Fellowship House, a Department of Correction contracted Halfway House, since 12/13/9. Since that time, he has remained discipline free and has received all positive reports from staff. He has secured employment, has a positive attitude and has been in compliance with the expectations and rules of Fellowship House. He has been in compliance with his standard conditions of release as well as his special condition of "No consumption of alcoholic beverages". He will successfully complete his term of supervision with the Department of Correction on 7/24/20.

Thank you,

Stacey Pettinato  
Parole Officer II  
Department of Correction  
Parole & Community Services  
Residential Services Unit  
2200 Thomaston Avenue  
Waterbury CT



Dr. James J. Lehman  
Director  
Community Health Clinical Education Department  
University of Bridgeport  
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March 29, 2020

RE: Jonathan Rosa, DC, DACO

To Whom It May Concern:

Dr. Rosa was my first resident to enter a three-year, full-time, neuromusculoskeletal medicine program within Federally Qualified Health Centers, which he commenced He began during 2013. Jonathan was an excellent chiropractic provider/resident. Community Health Center, Inc. of Middletown, CT credentialed him as a specialist and a member of the primary care team. The University of Bridgeport credentialed him as a chiropractic provider. Although he did pass the specialty board examinations and received his Diplomate in chiropractic orthopedics, his residency was interrupted during 2016.

During Dr. Rosa's residency, he was required to evaluate and manage both adults and children suffering with neuromusculoskeletal condition. Often the patients presented with chronic pain conditions and numerous co-morbidities including obesity, diabetes, heart disease, and mental illnesses. He was responsible for performing physical examinations, differential diagnosis, and chiropractic medicine procedures necessary to manage these patients.

I would appreciate the opportunity to invite Dr. Rosa to complete his residency and care for patients within Federally Qualified Health Centers.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James J. Lehman, DC".

James J. Lehman, DC, MBA  
Director  
Community Health Clinical Education  
University of Bridgeport



CONSENT ORDER COVER SHEET

Debra Burns, D.C.

Petition No.: 2019-1014

1. Debra Burns of Putnam, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") was issued license number 000728 on August 1, 1988 to practice as a chiropractor.
2. Respondent failed to complete seven hours of chiropractic continuing education required for the period of November 2017 through November 2019 and failed to complete 2.5 hours of continuing education in Advances in Clinical Radiology, one hour in Risk Assessment and Evaluation of Falls, and 1.5 hours of continuing education in Sexual Boundaries.
3. Respondent has no history of disciplinary actions.
4. The proposed Consent Order requires a reprimand. Respondent has completed all required chiropractic continuing education for the period of November 2017 through November 2019.

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY BRANCH**

In re: Debra Burns, D.C.

Petition No.: 2019-1014

**CONSENT ORDER**

WHEREAS, Debra Burns of Putnam, Connecticut (hereinafter "respondent") has been issued license number 000728 to practice as a chiropractor by the Department of Public Health (hereinafter "the Department") pursuant to Chapter 372 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended; and

WHEREAS, respondent admits that:

1. Respondent failed to complete seven hours of chiropractic continuing education required for the period of November 2017 through November 2019 and failed to complete 2.5 hours of continuing education in Advances in Clinical Radiology, one hour in Risk Assessment and Evaluation of Falls, and 1.5 hours of continuing education in Sexual Boundaries.
2. The above-described facts constitute grounds for disciplinary action pursuant to the General Statutes of Connecticut, §20-29.

WHEREAS, respondent, in consideration of this Consent Order, has chosen not to contest this matter and agrees that for purposes of this or any future proceedings before the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (hereinafter "the Board"), this Consent Order shall have the same effect as if proven and ordered after a hearing held pursuant to §§19a-10, 19a-14 and 20-29 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

WHEREAS, respondent has since completed all required chiropractic continuing education for the period of November 2017 through November 2019.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to §§19a-14, 19a-17 and 20-29 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, respondent hereby stipulates and agrees to the following:


1. Respondent waives respondent's right to a hearing on the merits of this matter.
2. Respondent's license number 000728 to practice as a chiropractor in the State of Connecticut is hereby reprimanded.
3. Respondent shall comply with all state and federal statutes and regulations applicable to respondent's licensure.
4. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with this Consent Order.
5. Legal notice shall be sufficient if sent to respondent's last known address of record reported to the Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section of the Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch of the Department.
6. This Consent Order is effective on the first day of the month immediately following the date this Consent Order is accepted and ordered by the Board.
7. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order shall be deemed a public document and the above-admitted violations shall be deemed true in any proceeding before the Board in which respondent's compliance with this Consent Order or with §20-29 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended, is at issue. Further, respondent understands that any discipline imposed by this Consent Order shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank maintained by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

8. This Consent Order and terms set forth herein are not subject to reconsideration, collateral attack or judicial review under any form or in any forum. Respondent agrees that this Consent Order shall not be subject to modification as a result of any claim that the terms contained herein may result in action by third parties, including, but not limited to, healthcare facilities and/or credentialing or licensure boards and respondent waives any right to seek reconsideration or modification of this Consent Order pursuant to §4-181a of the General Statutes of Connecticut without the express consent and agreement of the Department. Respondent assumes all responsibility for assessing such actions prior to the execution of this document. Further, this Consent Order is not subject to appeal or review under the provisions of Chapters 54 or 368a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, provided that this stipulation shall not deprive respondent of any rights that respondent may have under the laws of the State of Connecticut or of the United States.
9. This Consent Order is a revocable offer of settlement, which may be modified by mutual agreement or withdrawn by the Department at any time prior to its being executed by the last signatory.
10. Respondent permits a representative of the Department to present this Consent Order and the factual basis for this Consent Order to the Board. The Department and respondent agree that the Board has complete and final discretion as to whether an executed Consent Order is approved or accepted. Respondent hereby waives any claim of error that could be raised that is related to or arises during the course of the Board's discussions regarding whether to approve or reject this Consent Order and/or a Board member's participation during this process, through the Board member's review or comments, including but not limited to bias or reliance on evidence outside the administrative record if this matter

proceeds to a hearing on a statement of charges resulting in a proposed decision and/or final decision by the Board.

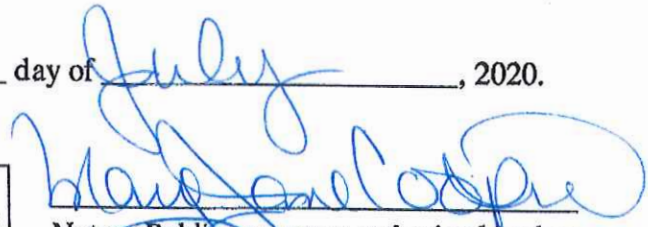
11. Respondent has had the opportunity to consult with an attorney prior to signing this document.
12. The execution of this document has no bearing on any criminal liability without the written consent of the Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit or the State's Attorney's Office where the allegation occurred or Bureau Chief of the applicable unit in the Chief State's Attorney's Office. The purpose of this Consent Order is to resolve the pending administrative license disciplinary petition only, and is not intended to affect any civil or criminal liability or defense.
13. This Consent Order embodies the entire agreement of the parties with respect to this case. All previous communications or agreements regarding the subject matter of this Consent Order, whether oral or written, between the parties are superseded unless expressly incorporated herein or made a part hereof.

I, Debra Burns, have read the above Consent Order, and I agree to the terms set forth therein. I further declare the execution of this Consent Order to be my free act and deed.


  
Debra Burns, D.C.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of July, 2020.



  
Notary Public or person authorized by law to administer an oath or affirmation

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, it is hereby accepted.

  
Christian D. Andresen, M.P.H., C.P.H., Section Chief  
Practitioner Licensing and Investigations Section  
Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch

The above Consent Order having been presented to the duly appointed agent of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners on the 28 day of August, 2020, it is hereby ordered and accepted.

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State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

## Kardys, Jeffrey

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**From:** Kardys, Jeffrey  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 24, 2020 4:36 PM  
**To:** Candito Carroccia DC (candic@comcast.net); Gina Carucci DC (ginamcarucci@gmail.com); Karlos Boghosian DC - Board of Chiropractic Examiners (kboghosian@sovintahartford.com); Sean Robotham DC (callyourdoc@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** FW: Response Requested: NBCE Part IV State Board Examiner Nomination  
**Importance:** High

FYI

For discussion at the October 15, 2020 Board meeting. See below.

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**From:** Danielle Veltri-Rosales <dveltrirosales@NBCE.org>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 24, 2020 4:22 PM  
**To:** OPLC <OPLC.dph@ct.gov>; Kardys, Jeffrey <Jeffrey.Kardys@ct.gov>; Delaware Board of Chiropractic (danielle.ridgway@delaware.gov) <danielle.ridgway@delaware.gov>; customerservice.dpr@state.de.us; frank.meyers@dc.gov; Heather Hollcraft (pla8@pla.in.gov) <pla8@pla.in.gov>; Cindy Vaught (cvaught@pla.IN.gov) <cvaught@pla.IN.gov>; Brett (Tucker) Poling <tucker.poling@ks.gov>; healingarts@ink.org; Susan Gile <susan.gile@ks.gov>; Massachusetts Chiropractic Board <richard.lawless@state.ma.us>; Massachusetts Chiropractors Board <chiropractorsboard@state.ma.us>; Sandra M. Velasquez (sandra.m.velasquez@state.ma.us) <sandra.m.velasquez@state.ma.us>; Kim Gaedeke (kgaedeke@michigan.gov) <kgaedeke@michigan.gov>; Kim Gaedeke - Michigan Board of Chiropractic (BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov) <BPL-BoardSupport@michigan.gov>; Covert-ByBee, Claire <Claire.CovertByBee@nebraska.gov>; Iris Naranjo <chiropractic.board@state.nm.us>; Noranda French (noranda.m.french@tn.gov) <noranda.m.french@tn.gov>; Kelsi Alger-Vermont Board of Chiropractic (kelsi.alger@vermont.gov) <kelsi.alger@vermont.gov>; Diane Lafaille - Vermont Board of Chiropractic (diane.lafaille@sec.state.vt.us) <diane.lafaille@sec.state.vt.us>; Barbara L. Johnson - West Virginia Board of Chiropractic

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**Subject:** Response Requested: NBCE Part IV State Board Examiner Nomination

**Importance:** High

EXTERNAL EMAIL: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click any links or open any attachments unless you trust the sender and know the content is safe.

Good afternoon,

As the deadline has approached for State Board nominations for participant examiners in the upcoming November 13-15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 NBCE Part IV Examination, I wanted to check in to see if your board will be nominating one or two examiners to participate in this exam?

To recap the steps, please fill out (or send to your chosen Board member) this DocuSign link to nominate your board member, choosing their 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice of test site they'd like to attend:

**DocuSign Link:**

<https://na3.docusign.net/Member/PowerFormSigning.aspx?PowerFormId=94f8467a-e0f6-46c6-a9fc-9ad5d6932db5&env=na3&acct=25a9fcf2-cf48-47f5-b79e-45c1ffa2b5c1&v=2>

When nominations have closed I will be in touch with each nominated examiner directly with their assigned test sites, and to obtain their Participation form, and/or CV/Resume (if necessary) that will be kept on file here at the NBCE's Part IV Department.

We appreciate your time and look forward to receiving your nominations, if you are not nominating an examiner would you please let me know?

Thanks for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

*Dani*

**Danielle Veltri-Rosales**

Administrative Assistant

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