

The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting on January 24, 2008 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, second floor Conference Room F, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC, *Chairman pro temp*
Michele Imossi, DC
Paul Powers, DC
Marion L. Terry

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Kardys announced that Agostino Villani, DC resigned his position as Chairman and Board member following the meeting on November 8, 2007.

I. MINUTES

Dr. Powers made a motion seconded by Dr. Imossi, to approve the minutes from the August 23, 2007 and November 8, 2007 meetings. The motion passed unanimously.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are ten chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, five cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

B. Approval of Chiropractic Colleges And Universities

Dr. Powers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Terry, to approve only those colleges and universities that are accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Delegate to the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards

Dr. Scott made a motion, second by Ms. Terry, that Dr. Powers be the Boards' 2008 delegate to the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards and the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and that Dr. Imossi be the alternate delegate. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Manipulation Under Anesthesia

Dr. Powers made a motion, seconded by Dr. Scott, to add discussion of Manipulation Under Anesthesia to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Powers stated he has information that he would like to share with the Assistant Attorney General who is advising the Board on this matter. Dr. Powers will call Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro.

III. NEW BUSINESS

The Board indicated that it would like to discuss the issue of utilization review at a future meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting on May 29, 2008 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, second floor Conference Room F, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC, - Chairman
Michele Imossi, DC
Paul Powers, DC
Sean Robotham, DC
Marion L. Terry

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Brandt

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

I. MINUTES

Dr. Imossi made a motion seconded by Ms. Terry, to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2008 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. HAVEN

The presentation from the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals will be made at the August 2008 meeting.

B. License Reinstatement Request

Debbie Brown, Health Program Assistant, Department of Public Health presented a license reinstatement request of Patricia Brady-Lux, DC.

Following application review, Dr. Robotham made a motion, seconded by Dr. Imossi, recommending that the Dr. Brady-Lux's license be reinstated provided she passes the SPEC examination and all CEUs are up to date. The motion passed.

The Board requested that the Department of Public Health licensing office be present at the August meeting to discuss the registration requirements for the SPEC Examination.

C. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are four chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, five cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

D. 2008 Meeting Schedule

Board meetings will remain on Thursdays, beginning at 9:00 a. m.

III. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Mitchell Gordon, DC – Petition No. 2005-1017-007-008

Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, Department of Public Health presented a Department of Public Health Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges in this matter. Attorney Robert Hirtle was present on behalf of Dr. Gordon. Assistant Attorney General Jane Comerford was present to provide counsel to the Board.

Dr. Powers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Terry, to grant the Department's motion to withdraw the charges. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

Manipulation Under Anesthesia

Mr. Kardys reported that Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro, who is advising the Board on this matter, is still working on the Board's ruling.

Continuing Education

Dr. Powers requested that the issue of course content and approval of Continuing Education Programs be discussed with the Department at the August meeting.

Utilization Review

At the next meeting the Board will discuss the issue of Chiropractors not licensed in Connecticut performing reviews of for the purpose of making treatment recommendations for care rendered in Connecticut by a Connecticut licensed chiropractor.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

The **Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** held a meeting on August 21, 2008 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, second floor Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC, - Chairman
Michele Imossi, DC
Paul Powers, DC

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Robert Brandt
Sean Robotham, DC
Marion L. Terry

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, DPH
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH
Maureen Dinnan, Esq.
Kristin Kasabucki, Connecticut Chiropractic Association
John Serafin DC, Connecticut Chiropractic Association

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

I. MINUTES

Due to a lack of a quorum the minutes from the May 29, 2008 meeting will be reviewed at the November meeting.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals – (HAVEN)

Maureen Dinnan, Esq., Neubert, Pepe & Monteith gave a presentation regarding the Health Assistance interVention Education Network for Connecticut Health Professionals (HAVEN). This program was developed pursuant to Public Act 07-103. Attorney Dinnan gave an overview of the programs mission, services and goals.

The Connecticut Chiropractic Association will be contacted for names of individuals who could offer time to HAVEN's Medical Review Committee.

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported that there are six chiropractic cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health. In addition, three cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

Kathleen Boulware, Practitioner Investigations Unit, Department of Public Health plans on reviewing consultant guidelines with the Board at the November meeting.

III. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Joseph Bartko, Jr., DC – Petition No. 2006-0329-007-004

Leslie Scoville, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Jack D. Garamella was present on behalf of Dr. Bartko.

Dr. Bartko was not present.

The Board members present reviewed the proposed Consent Order and indicated that it was reasonable resolution in this matter.

Due to the lack of a quorum this matter will be voted on at the November meeting.

IV. NEW BUSINESS cont.

C. Special Purposes Examination for Chiropractic (SPEC)

The Board reviewed the registration process for the SPEC examination with Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, Department of Public Health. The examination is offered six times a year.

D. Continuing Education

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Office of Practitioner Licensing and Investigation, DPH stated that the Connecticut General Statutes do not authorize the DPH or the Board to approve the content of Continuing Education Courses. It is the responsibility of the licensee to take courses that are relevant to their profession.

Kristin Kasabucki, Connecticut Chiropractic Association offered to include information in the Association newsletter reminding licensees about CEU requirements.

E. Utilization Review

This matter will be deferred to the November meeting for discussion. Dr. Powers will provide Mr. Kardys with some scenarios regarding utilization review issues, which will be forwarded to the Assistant Attorney General who will advise the Board in this matter.

V. INFORMATION UPDATE

A. Manipulation Under Anesthesia

Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro is still working on the draft of the Boards' decision.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
Matthew Scott, DC, Chairman
Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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 **November 6, 2008** at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, second floor Conference Room E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Scott, DC – Chairman
Michele Imossi, DC
Paul Powers, DC
Sean Robotham, DC
Marion Terry – Public member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
Daniel Shapiro, Assistant Attorney General
Stacy Owens, Ethics Officer, DPH
Kathleen Boulware, Practitioner Investigations Unit, DPH
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH
John Serafin DC, Connecticut Chiropractic Association

Dr. Scott called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Mr. Kardys reported that effective October 2, 2008, Board member Robert Brandt was deemed to have resigned by the Governor's Office due to his failure to attend Board meetings since his appointment. There are now two public member vacancies on the Board.

I. MINUTES

Dr. Powers made a motion seconded by Dr. Imossi, to approve the minutes from the August 20, 2008 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ethics Presentation

Stacy Owens, Esq. Ethics Officer, Department of Public Health reviewed the ethics rules from the Guide to the Code of Ethics for Public Officials and state employees. The Presentation was for informational purposes and she answered questions from Board members.

B. Schedule Meeting dates for 2009

January 22, 2009 (Inclement weather alternate date will be February 5, 2009)

May 7, 2009

August 20, 2009

November 5, 2009

All meetings will be scheduled for 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Review of Consultant Guidelines

Kathleen Boulware, RN, Practiotner Investigations Unit, Department of Public Health reviewed the Guidelines for Consultants. Dr. Powers recommended adding an entry for informed consent.

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH reported there are 6 cases under investigation. 2 cases were referred to the DPH Legal Office and will be presented today to the Board as consent orders.

IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Joseph Bartko, Jr., DC – Petition No. 2006-0329-007-004

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Neither Dr Bartko nor his attorney was present. This matter was discussed at the August 20, 2008 Board meeting but no vote taken made due to lack of quorum. The case was reviewed. Dr. Robotham made a motion, seconded by Dr. Imossi, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Scott signed the Order.

Marc Kirshner, DC – Petition No. 2007-0426-007-003

Ellen Shanley, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, Department of Public Health presented a Consent Order in this matter. Attorney Pat McMahan was present on behalf of Dr. Kirshner. Dr. Kirshner was present.

After much discussion and interaction, Dr. Powers made a motion, seconded by Ms. Terry to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Scott signed the Order.

Marion Terry recommended that for future consent orders requiring supervision that practice supervisors be chosen from a list provided by the DPH.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Manipulation Under Anesthesia

Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro reiterated he has been busy too finish this and has issues to discuss with the DPH. He assured the Board he would be ready for the next meeting with this.

Utilization Review

Assistant Attorney General Shapiro provided language from § 38a-226(c) which is “on point” from the insurance statutes. Attorney Shapiro stated that the Board could not issue a declaratory ruling which superseded the insurance department statute and any change would have to be legislative. § 38a-226(c) requires licensure, in any state, by individuals who make utilization review decisions and that all final determinations not to certify an admission, service, procedure or extension of stay, except in workers compensation cases, shall be made by a Connecticut licensee.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Powers asked about doctors retiring that want to maintain their license. Under existing statutes, the doctor would need to continue to pay the yearly license fee and maintain their CE requirements. It was also discussed that retiring doctors must meet requirements of medical records under § 19a-14-44.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted
Paul Powers, DC
Connecticut State Board of Chiropractic Examiners