#### **AGENDA**

# STATE OF CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTROLOGISTS

Wednesday, September 16, 2020 9:30 AM

# **CALL TO ORDER**

- I. MINUTES
  - Review and approve minutes from the March May 13, 2020 meeting.
- II. CHAIR UPDATES
- III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
  - **ADJOURNMENT**

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

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTROLOGISTS via Microsoft Teams** 

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The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on Wednesday, May 13, 2020. The meeting was held by telephone conference due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Alicia Zalka M.D.

Arlene Romajas, LPN CPE Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd

Jan O'Neil, CPE

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Tatiana Eirmann, Esq. Chairperson

ALSO PRESENT: Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison

Alfreda Gaither, Hearing officer, DPH

Celeste Dowdell, License and Application Analyst Judith Bailey, License and Application Analyst

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, DPH

Deb Brown, Health Program Assistant

#### CALL TO ORDER at 9:32 am

#### 1. MINUTES

Review and approve minutes from March 11, 2020 meeting. Alicia Zalka made a motion seconded by Arlene Romajas to approve the minutes as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

### 2. CHAIR UPDATES

None

# 3. <u>DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES</u>

A. Investigations Update

No ongoing investigations at this time.

#### B. Examination Update

No May exam given due to Covid 19 pandemic. Update will follow concerning a date for next exam.

## 4. OLD BUSINESS

The Board continues to wait on approval for the following:

- A. Legislation change from 3 to 4 hours of continuing education units for CPR hours to coincide with American Heart Association guidelines.
- B. A statutory change to allow the use of initials for each field that we are licensed by the State of Connecticut as well as "L.E." initials for Licensed electrologists. Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison, will check with Chris Andresen for an update on approval.

# 5. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Arlene Romajas made a motion for Board to discuss CSEA proposal of Additional Guidelines for Connecticut Electrologists. The motion was seconded by Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd. Ms. Romajas stated that these guidelines were compiled by a few CSEA members and these members were asking the Board to discuss and maybe make suggestions for the safety of Electrologists and clients due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic. Copies of these guidelines were sent out to all present prior to the meeting. CSEA members were well aware that the Board does not have the authority to approve or disapprove of these guidelines. No discussion actually took place.
- B. Mr. Kardys said he would forward guidelines to Chris Andresen to see if info should be sent to the Open Connecticut Committee
- C. Jan O' Neil asked if Electrologists were going to be considered to be a part of the Strategic stockpile. Answer is unknown at this time.
- D. Ms. Romajas asked if Dr. Zalka had any idea if KN95 masks would be acceptable for our type of work. Dr. Zalka stated she would try to investigate and let us know.
- E. Stephen Carragher\_announced DPH is suspending CEU's for 6 months, until the end of October. CEU's are suspended for those licensees with expiration dates between now and 10/31/2020. Those with expiration dates of 11/03/2020 will have to comply when they renew.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 on a motion by Alicia Zalka which was seconded by Arlene Romajas.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Romajas