

BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS MINUTES

DATE: January 27, 2022

TIME: 9:00 AM CST

LOCATION: Poplar Conference Room
665 Mainstream Dr, 1st Floor
Nashville TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: Curtis Damien, D.C., President
Cole Hosenfeld, D.C., Vice-President
Jason Hulme, D.C., Secretary
Dale Blackwelder, D.C., Board Member
Kara Birdwell, D.C., Board Member

STAFF PRESENT: Noranda French, Board Director
Mary V. Bennett, Board Manager
Sabrina Craig-Boyd, Board Administrator 2
Hannah Hampton, Board Administrator 1
Kevin Griffin, Associate General Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT: Dr. Mike Barron, Medical Director, Tn Medical Foundation
Tiffany Stevens, Representative, TN Chiropractic Association
Justin Coffeen, Applicant

Call to Order

A roll call of Board Members was initiated, by Sabrina Craig-Boyd, Board Administrator. With a quorum present, the meeting started at 9:02 am CST.

Review and Approve Board Meeting Minutes from the October 21, 2021, Meeting

Dr. Hosenfeld made motion, to accept the minutes as written. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Office of General Counsel

Associate General Counsel, Kevin Griffin presented the OGC Report.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST If you have a personal or financial interest in the outcome of any issue or matter before this board which may suggest a bias on your part, you are asked to state that interest on the record so that a determination can be made as to whether there exists a need for recusal. You are reminded that it is the duty of this board to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Tennessee and that the administration of this solemn responsibility is dependent upon avoiding even the appearance of impropriety.

LITIGATION MATTERS: The Office of General Counsel currently has three (3) open disciplinary cases on three (3) chiropractic physicians pertaining to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

APPEALS There are no pending appeals from Board action.

CIVIL SUITS None.

RULES: The Office of General Counsel has two rule changes in process, regarding the CTA/CTX rules and the DC rules. The CTA/CXT rule packet is currently under review by the Attorney General's Office and is pending approval by Gov Ops. The DC Telehealth rule packet is currently in process.

Office of Investigations

The Office of Investigations presented the board with the quarterly reports as follows:

Office of General Counsel: Summary of Currently Monitored Providers January Disciplinary Report for the Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Summary: This report provides the total number of licensees currently being monitored for discipline. The total number of Chiropractic Physicians being monitored for discipline is 18.
The total number on reprimand is 9.
The total number on probation is 3.
The total number on suspension is 3.
The total number that has had their license revoked or surrendered is 3

Statistical Complaint Report:

Chiropractic Physicians	YTD
New Complaints	88
Total Closed Complaints	44
Closed-Insufficient	7
Closed-BIV, EMS, HCF, AW	11
Complaint Closed	13
Closed-Ltr Concern	4
Closed-Ltr Warning	9

Fraud/False Billing	3
Sexual Misconduct	3
Advertising	1
Malpractice/Negligence	1
Unlicensed Practice	1
Unprofessional Conduct	30
Medical Record Req	1
Lapsed License	4
Criminal Conviction	1
Practice Beyond Scope	2
CE Violation	35
Outside INV Scope	3
Covid 19	3

Chiropractic Therapy Assts.	YTD
New Complaints	41
Total Closed Complaints	21
Complaint Closed	21

Unlicensed Practice	4
Lapsed License	1
CE Violation	35
Outside INV Scope	1

Chiropractic X-Ray Tech	YTD
New Complaints	4
Total Closed Complaints	4
Closed BIV, EMS, HCF, AW	2
Complaint Closed	2

Lapsed License	1
CE Violation	2

Applicant Interview

Dr. Justin Coffeen, appeared in person to request the board approval to reinstate his surrendered Chiropractic license. He voluntarily surrendered his license in April 2019 as a condition of an agreed order brought against him. Dr. Hulme, made motion, that the board administrative staff have authority to reinstate Dr. Coffeen's license upon completion and submission of a favorable TMF Evaluation, and proof of (24) hours of TN Board approved ceus. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Ratification of Initial Determinations

Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to ratify the names of all Newly Licensed Chiropractic Physicians, Reinstated Chiropractic Physicians, Newly Licensed Chiropractic Therapy Assistants, Reinstated Chiropractic Therapy Assistants, New Licensed Chiropractic X-Ray Technologist, Reinstated Chiropractic X-Ray Technologist, and Closed Applications. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Board of Chiropractic Examiners **Ratification October 9, 2021 – January 14, 2022**

Newly Licensed Chiropractic Physicians

Adkisson, William
Bradley, Mallory
Conn, Brian
Darnell, Elizabeth
Darnell, Jeremy
Fahrnbauer, Jasmine
Gardner, Christopher
Grant, Dalton
Hull, Marshall
James, Justin
Janssen, Kyle
Jarrell, Maxwell
Johns, Fallon
Jordan, Brice
Martin, William
Myers, Sarah
Ney, Carley
Nichols, DePaul
Popidac, Marija
Porter, Teresa
Poston, Jason
Pruitt, Jeffrey
Riaz, Aleena
Riggins, Deena
Roberts, Jeremy
Robinson, Victor
Schneider, Robert
Sharp, Patrick
Snook, David
Snyder, Mark
Steenhuis, Jennifer
Taylor, Lauren
Taylor, Martavious
Tonnos, Matthew

Reinstated Chiropractic Physicians

Burgess, Emily
Chandler, Michael
Collins, Christopher
Forrester, Brandon
Holt, Michael
Lo, Jerry
Upchurch, Chad

Temporary/Externs

No new applicants

Acupuncture

No new applicants

Closed Applications

DC Graham, David
DC Jamison, Ryan
DC Powers, Eric

Tysdall, John
Voigt, Austin
Waido, Michael
Worrall, Jason

Newly Licensed Chiropractic Therapy Assistants

Anderson, Emily
Bull, Leslie
Choate, Leigh
Cleek, Crystal
Clifford, Judie
Fawver, Ashton
Gonzales, Amber
Green, Conner
Johnson, Tracy
King, Rebekah
Mason, Lynessa
McCarthy, Alexandra
Money, Stephanie
Ortega, Anna
Sammons, Anna
Seurfert, Megan
Smith, Deborah

Reinstated CTA's

Johnson, Valerie
Konz, Adam
Oody, Ashley
Robinson, Janice

Newly Licensed Chiropractic X-Ray Technicians

Anderson, Emily
Brigance, Cassandra
Freitas, Ciara
Parsons, Nola
Price, Rande
Royston, Michael
Seufert, Megan
Stuwe, Wayde
Vaughn, Jacqueline

Reinstated CXT's

Johnson, Valerie

Administrative Report

Sabrina Craig-Boyd presented the Administrative Report for the period of October 9, 2021-January 14, 2022.

**BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
January 27, 2022**

This is an administrative report from Sabrina Craig-Boyd, Board Administrator. The information contained in this report will keep the Board aware of all essential activities pertaining to licensure for Chiropractic Examiners.

STATISTICAL DATA

As of October 8, 2021, the Board of Chiropractic Examiners has **1409** active Chiropractic Physicians, **401** Chiropractic Therapy Assistants, and **125** Chiropractic X-Ray Technologists.

LICENSURE STATUS TOTALS FROM THE MONTHS OF
October 9, 2021- January 14, 2022

CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN	
Total applications received – 233	
New licenses issued – 38	Renewal Total – 181
Reinstatements – 7	Online Renewals – 131
Temp Licenses/Externships- 0/3	Paper Renewals – 50
Licenses Retired – 7	
Failed to Renew/Expired Licensees – 10	
New Acupuncturist- 0	
CHIROPRACTIC THERAPY ASSISTANT	
Total applications received – 69	
New licenses issued – 17	Renewal Total – 40
Reinstatements – 4	Online Renewals – 28
Licenses Retired – 8	Paper Renewals – 12
Failed to Renew/Expired Licensees – 10	
CHIROPRACTIC X-RAY TECHNOLOGIST	
Total applications received – 21	
New licenses issued – 9	Renewal Total – 10
Reinstatements – 1	Online Renewals – 7
Licenses Retired – 5	Paper Renewals – 3
Failed to Renew/Expired Licensees – 2	

For this reporting period, the usage rate for utilizing the online renewal portal for Chiropractic Physicians is 72 %, Chiropractic Therapy Assistants, 70 % and, Chiropractic X-Ray Technologists, 70 %.

Audit

CE Audit will be initiated in CE Broker no later than February 10, 2022. A more in-depth report will be available at the April 21, 2022 meeting.

Upcoming Board Meeting Dates

April 21, 2022

July 21, 2022

October 20, 2022

INTERNET

The Board's internet website is an excellent location to find valuable board information for licensees and applicants. Please visit the site at <https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/chiro-board.html> . Should you have any suggestions or comments, please feel free to contact the Board at 615.741.3807 or unit2hrb.health@tn.gov.

Agreed Citations

Emily Burgess DC2728- Dr. Burgess was issued an agreed citation for practicing on an expired license for one month in excess of (30) days from expiration. She has paid the \$500 fine and has agreed to the terms of the citation. Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to accept the agreed citation as written. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Michael Holt DC2735- Dr. Holt was issued an agreed citation for practicing on an expired license for four months in excess of (30) days from expiration. He has paid the \$2000 fine and has agreed to the terms of the citation. Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to accept the agreed citation as written. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Jerry Lo DC2659-Dr Lo was issued an agreed citation for practicing on an expired license for four months in excess of (30) days from expiration. He has paid the \$2000 fine and has agreed to the terms of the citation. Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to accept the agreed citation as written. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Adam Konz CTA1625- Mr. Konz was issued an agreed citation for practicing on an expired license for one month in excess of (30) days from expiration. He has paid the \$100 fine and has agreed to the terms of the citation. Dr. Blackwelder, made motion, to accept the agreed citation as written. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. Dr. Hosenfeld recused himself from this motion. All others in favor. The motion carried.

Applicant Interviews

- A. Farley, Kevin DC-request for extension to complete new licensee course- Dr. Blackwelder, made motion to grant an extension until March 1, 2022, to complete the course, and to send a letter of concern. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.
- B. Johnson, Matt DC-request for extension to complete new licensee course- Dr. Blackwelder, made motion to grant an extension until March 1, 2022, to complete the course, and to send a letter of warning. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.
- C. Sneed, Petra- request for extension to complete CTA intern hours-Dr. Hulme made motion to grant an extension for six (6) months to complete the intern hours with stipulation that no further extensions to be granted. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.
- D. Walker, Reece- request for extension to complete CTA intern hours- Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to grant an extension until December 31, 2022, to complete the intern hours with stipulation that no further extension to be granted. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.
- E. Parrigan, Pamela- request for extension to complete CTA intern hours- Dr. Blackwelder, made a motion, to grant an extension until September 1, 2022 to complete the intern hours with stipulation that no further extension to be granted. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Election of Officers

Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to keep current board positions with Dr. Damien serving as Board President, Dr. Hosenfeld serving as Vice President, Dr. Hulme serving as Board Secretary. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Old and New Business

Board Meeting Dates for 2023. Dr. Blackwelder, made motion, to accept the proposed meeting dates for 2023 as shown. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

January 19, 2023

April 20, 2023

July 20, 2023

October 19, 2023

Discussion of current CE Policy. With the expiration of Executive Order allowing for all online continuing education for all health boards, Dr. Hosenfeld, made motion, to remove the boards temporary policy requiring online courses to be approved by board consultants. Removal of this policy requires licensees to revert to current rules limiting to a total of six (6) hours of distance learning. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Dr. Blackwelder, made motion, to authorize Board Director, Noranda French and Dr. Hosenfeld, to review CE policies and interview processes of other Health Related Boards, and report back to the Board with recommendations. Dr. Hulme, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

Adjourn

With no further board business, Dr. Hulme, made motion, to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 a.m. Dr. Blackwelder, seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. The motion carried.

THESE MINUTES WERE RATIFIED AT THE APRIL 21, 2022 BOARD MEETING.