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TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
HEALTH RELATED BOARDS

AMENDED MEMORANDUM

**Date:** October 24, 2022

**To:** Dean Flener, Director of Communication and Media Relations

**From:** Sandra S. Bogard, MS, MLS(ASCP) QLC<sup>cm</sup>  
Board Director

**Name of Board or Committee:** Tennessee Medical Laboratory Board

**Date of Meeting:** October 28, 2022

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. CDT

**Place:** Health Related Boards  
665 Mainstream Drive, Iris Conference Room  
MetroCenter Complex  
Nashville, TN 37243

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**Major Agenda Items:**

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Introductions of Board Members and Staff**
3. **Approval of Minutes**
  - A. Approve Minutes: P & E Committee-July 28, 2022
  - B. Approve Minutes: Board Meeting-July 29, 2022
4. **Ratification of Initial Determinations of the Personnel & Education Committee Meeting**
  - A. Verbal Report / Ratification of P & E Committee  
October 27, 2022  
LeeAnne Briggs, MT- Personnel & Education  
Committee Chair
5. **Conduct Contested Case(s)**
6. **Review Consent Order(s), Agreed Order(s),  
Order(s) Compliance**
7. **Presentations to the Board:**
  - A. **TN-PAP Report**  
Teresa Phillips-Executive Director
  - B. **Health Facilities Commission (HFC)  
Presentation**  
Caroline Tippens, Esq., C.H.C.  
Director Licensure & Regulation  
John Carr-Director of Administration  
Introduce new CLIA Director-Tracy McLemore, MT
8. **BHLR Staff Reports:**
  - A. Financial Report Discussion  
Alicia Grice-Fiscal Director
  - B. Office of Investigations (OIV) Report  
Jaime Byerly-Director OIV
  - C. Legislative Update Report  
Elizabeth E. Foy, Esq.-Legislative Liaison  
Nothing to present
9. **Review and Discuss Point of Care Exemption  
Requests:**
  - A. Tristar Centennial Medical Center  
Nashville, TN  
Mollie Wynn, MT-POC/QA Coordinator  
Molly Cassady, MLT-POC Lead Tech

- B. MidSouth Transplant Foundation  
Cordova, TN  
Kylie Peck, BS, MS, MT(ASCP), CHT, CHS(ABHI)  
HLA Lab Technologist
- C. Saint Francis Hospital Memphis  
Memphis, TN  
Ricky Turner  
Administrative Lab Director
- D. Cookeville Regional Medical Center  
Cookeville, TN  
Tammy McCoy, MA, BS, MLS(ASCP)  
POC Supervisor/ABG Technical Supervisor
- E. Parkwest Medical Center  
Knoxville, TN  
Mark Trujillo, RT-Manager Respiratory Care

10. **Direct More Than Three (3) Labs:**  
Nothing to Present

11. **Discuss, Review, and Take Action, if Needed, Regarding but not Limited to the Following:**

- A. Discussion of regulation change regarding the release of tissue samples to providers.  
  
Tennessee Oncology
- B. Discuss the need for a lab facility license.  
  
Encompass Health
- C. Discuss collection station licensure  
  
ETHOS Laboratories  
Newport, KY
- D. Discuss if the collection of research samples requires a collection station license.
- E. Clarification of Board Policy Pertaining to Waived Testing
- F. Discussion if a lab that only performs H & E and special stains needs a state license.
- G. Clarification of Board Guidance Pertaining to Remote Lab Work

1. If pathologists read slides at different hospitals, do they need different facility licenses at each location or one license for the pathology group?
  2. Does the reading of glass slides apply to the Remote Work Policy or only digital images?
- H. Discuss Remote Survey Policy Statement
- I. CLEAR Board Member Training
- J. ASCP Conference
12. **Review, Discuss and Approve Licensure for Medical Laboratory Directors:**
  - A. Shu-Ling Fan, Ph.D.  
Franklin, TN  
Director of Chemistry
  - B. Lijun Wang, MD, Ph.D.  
Chicago, IL  
Director-Molecular Diagnostics
  - C. Amal Aly, Ph.D.  
Wayne, NJ  
Director-Cytogenetics
  - D. Kendall Bryant, Ph.D.  
Portland, OR  
Director-Microbiology
13. **Receive Reports and/or Request from the Board Director**
  - A. Board Director Quarterly Report  
Sandra Bogard
14. **Reinstatement of License:**
15. **Additions/Deletions to the Board's Health Screening Test List:**
16. **Receive Reports and/or Request from the Office of General Counsel**
  - A. OCG Quarterly Report  
Ronda Webb-Stewart – Senior Associate Counsel  
Matt Gibbs – Deputy General Counsel

Medical Laboratory Board Disciplinary Report

17. **Receive Reports from the Regional Surveyors (East, Middle, West) Regarding Compliant investigations and Proficiency Testing**
  - A. East TN Regional Office  
Fowlen Anders
  - B. Middle TN Regional Office  
Vacant-No Report
  - C. West TN Regional Office  
Debbie Haggard
  
18. **Board Ratification of Laboratory Initial Licenses:**
  - A. Biomat USA, Inc.  
Murfreesboro, TN
  - B. Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings  
Memphis, TN
  - C. Kingsport PSC-Walgreens  
Kingsport, TN
  
19. **Other Business**
  - A. Task Force Report - October 27, 2022
  - B. Election of Officers for Personnel & Education Committee
  - C. Election of Officers for Full Board
  - D. New Business
  
20. **Public Comment**
  
21. **Adjourn**