

New Jersey Office of the Attorney General

DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ADVISORY COUNCIL PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES May 12, 2011

The New Jersey State Occupational Therapy Advisory Council held its meeting on May 12, 2011, at the State Office Building at 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, N.J. The meeting was convened in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act with prior notification having been sent to the Secretary of State and the following publications: The Record in Bergen County, The Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, Trenton Times, Aisling Swift Press of Atlantic City and Asbury Park Press, to advise of the scheduling of this meeting. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Betty Thomas at 9:40 a.m.

Opening Statement - Regarding compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act

Present Council Members: Betty Thomas, O.T., Chairperson
Aida Mendez-Boud, O.T.A., Vice-Chairperson
Mariann E. Moran, O.T.
Tiffany Charles, O.T.

Also, Present Deputy Attorney General, Nancy Miller, and
Executive Director Laura L. Anderson

Members of the public were present.

I. MINUTES: The Council, upon motion made by Aida Mendez-Boud and seconded by Mariann E. Moran, voted to approve the January 13, 2011, Public Session Minutes as presented.

II. LEGISLATURE

A. Assembly Bills

A- 3851 Introduced February 22, 2011

This bill requires information concerning certain public employees be made public.

Council considered this material as informational.

III. RULES AND REGULATIONS

- A. Pursuant to N.J.A.C 13:44-5.4 Use of Physical agent modalities by a licensed occupational therapist; delegation to licensed occupational therapy assistant. The proposal should appear in the May 16, 2011 issue of the New Jersey Register . Public comments to expire on July 15, 2011.

The Council, upon motion made by Maryann E. Moran and seconded by Aida Mendez-Boud, determined to have the July 7, 2011 meeting re-scheduled for July 19, 2011 in order to facilitate comments review and process of this proposal.

- B. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:45G; Notice appeared in the March 21, 2011 issue of New Jersey register . (120 day rule)

Council considered this as informational material

IV. REPORTS

Prepared by Darlene Kane for Council's review is the Fiscal year 2011 Budget report (1st Half)

Council considered this material as informational

V. MODALITIES COURSES APPROVAL

A. Request for modalities courses approval from Licensees

The Council reviewed letters and courses taken by the following licensees for approval:

1. Heather Lawrence, Lic # 46TR00428000

The Council, upon motion made by Maryann E. Moran and seconded by Tiffany Charles, determined that a letter be sent to Ms. Lawrence advising her of the missing hours of training in light, heat and ultrasound as required by N.J.A.C. 13:44K-5.4; Use of physical agent modalities.

B. Request for approval of modalities courses by providers

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44K-5.4 Use of physical agent modalities, Council reviewed committees's recommendation regarding physical agent modalities courses submitted by:

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| 1. Rehab Education, LLC | March 20-21; 27-28, 2011
April 7-10, 2011
April 9-10; 16-17, 2011
May 15-16; 22-23, 2011 |
| 2. DUNAMIS Training, LLC | May 21-22, 2011
June 4-5, 2011 |
| 3. Tender Touch, Rehab Services, LLC | March 26-27, 2011
April 2-3, 2011 |

The Council, upon the motion made by Maryann E. Moran and seconded by Tiffany Charles, voted to accept the recommendation of the committee and approved courses for modalities on the dates shown.

4. R.A.S HealthCare

The modalities training course submitted by R.A.S. HealthCare was reviewed by the Modalities's Committee and it was found not in compliance with the requirements pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44K-5.4, therefore not recommended for approval.

The Council, upon motion made by Mariann E. Moran and seconded by Aida Mendez-Boud voted that a letter be sent to R.A.S.HealtCare advising of the denial and also offering the company the opportunity to re-submit a course that will meet the regulatory requirements along with the curriculum vitae of the instructor (s).

5. ELITE Rehabilitation Solutions (Off Agenda)

The modalities training course submitted by ELITE Rehabilitation Solutions was reviewed by the Council. The course was to be offered in two different formats, online "blended" and "traditional" live, in person instruction. The curriculum vitae of the instructor was not submitted.

The Council, upon the motion made by Mariann E. Moran and seconded by Aida Mendez-Boud, asked that a letter be sent to ELITE Rehabilitation Services, indicating that the "blended" or online course does not meet the regulatory requirements. The "traditional" model to be offered, as long as provide live, in person instruction, will be acceptable if re-submitted along with the curriculum vitae for the instructor.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Board/Council/Committee members recusal form.

In matters where a member of a Board, Council, Committee etc., has a conflict of interest , such individual must recuse himself/herself from the discussion. The Council reviewed the form that has been developed which must be signed by a member in matters of discussion that may present a conflict of interest. The form must be also part of the licensee/complaint/documentation file.

The Council considered this material as informational.

VII. APPLICATIONS REVIEW (Initial)

The Council, upon motion made by Mariann E. Moran and seconded by Aida Mendez-Boud, voted for the approval of the following applicants for initial licensure:

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS

1.	Stephens, Jacqueline	46TR00539500
2.	McArdle, Katelyn A.	46TR00539600
3.	Lee, Chih-Fen	46TR00539700
4.	Francis, Sherry S.	46TR00539800
5.	Vankerschaver, Melissa A.	46TR00539900
6.	Dornbush, Marie A.	46TR00540000
7.	Doyle, Kristi L.	46TR00540100
8.	Cherian, Abraham, Jr.	46TR00540200
9.	Moer, Shira	46TR00540300
10.	Reilly, Mary K.	46TR00540400
11.	Tepper, Janis M.	46TR00540500
12.	Kohen, Carrie Jill	46TR00540600
13.	Carter, Danielle I.	46TR00540700
14.	Dionisio, Nancy Santos	46TR00540800
15.	Sha, Mansi Baiju	46TR00540900
16.	Rafel, Amanda N.	46TR00541000
17.	Fitzpatrick, Danielle T.	46TR00541100
18.	Damle, Uma Dattatraya	46TR00541200
19.	Anderson, Jeanne Ann	46TR00541300
20.	Ruzgal-Naclerio, Mary Grace	46TR00541400
21.	Quiles, Sabrina	46TR00541500
22.	Ajueyitsi, Aghaogho E.	46TR00541600
23.	Kiefer, Stephanie M.	46TR00541700
24.	Censor, Esther	46TR00541800
25.	Rosen, Christine T.	46TR00541900
26.	Blanar, Stephanie A.	46TR00542000
27.	Sica, Richard G.	46TR00542100
28.	Saba, James	46TR00542200
29.	Svetlitskaya, Yelena	46TR00542300
30.	Harttraft, Heather C.	46TR00542400
31.	Berkowitz, Jessica L.	46TR00542500
32.	D'Souza, Natalia M.	46TR00542600

33.	Manesh, Nazareen I.	46TR00542700
34.	Olmo, Raquel	46TR00542800
35.	Gaitens, Peter M.	46TR00542900
36.	Abraham, Sujith M.	46TR00543000
37.	Bozza, Stephanie E.	46TR00543100
38.	Madurski, Amanda C.	46TR00543200
40.	Mullins, Kaitlin Marie	46TR00543300
41.	Kopitnikoff, Ophira	46TR00543400
42.	Finkle, Shoshana R.	46TR00543500
43.	Ong, Stacy B.	46TR00543600
44.	Lieberman, Amy B.	46TR00543700
45.	Cohn, Deena	46TR00543800
46.	Joseph, Jenny	46TR00543900
47.	Mitchell, Gabrielle Ann	46TR00544000
48.	Wegert, Teresa A.	46TR00544100
49.	Hussain, Huzefa A.	46TR00544200
50.	Gorman, Lauren C.	46TR00544300
51.	Herrera, Felicia A.	46TR00544400
52.	Wacka, Lauren Mary	46TR00544500
53.	White, Rochelle B.	46TR00544600
54.	Allen, Katelyn D.	46TR00544700
55.	Maunz, Katherine Elizabeth	46TR00544800
56.	Palmisano, Kristin L.	46TR00544900
57.	Kang, Sudong	46TR00545000
58.	Soda, Nanci Marie	46TR00545100
60.	Wong, Cameron D.	46TR00545200
61.	Wallens, Rachael Paige	46TR00545300
62.	Baranello, Melissa Rose	46TR00545400
63.	Schrimmer, Anne E.	46TR00545500
64.	West, Lindsay R.	46TR00545600
65.	Strazynski, Brooke J.	46TR00545700
66.	Hertzberg, Alyssa	46TR00545800
67.	Flasser, Kelsey K.	46TR00545900
68.	Dubin, Adina S.	46TR00546000
69.	Lashley, Christina M.	46TR00546100
70.	Trioanello, Tara J.	46TR00546200
71.	Kaplan, Rena T.	46TR00546300
72.	Rosen, Shaina S.	46TR00546400
73.	Soden , Inessa, III	46TR00546500
74.	Lopez, Roberta S.	46TR00546600
75.	Frontera, John Paul D.	46TR00546700
76.	Fulton, Allison R.	46TR00546800
77.	DiGenova, Caitlin Mairi	46TR00546900

78.	Zulaybar, Jackielyn Cielo	46TR00547000
80.	Suveeharan, Danison R.	46TR00547100
81.	Sasso, Carla Ann	46TR00547200
82.	Wilson, Amelia L.	46TR00547300
83.	Mozzam, Shamaila	46TR00547400
84.	Ziemba, Bathsheva	46TR00547500
85.	Weiss, Alysa Michelle	46TR00547600
86.	Tomkiewicz, Janine	46TR00547700
87.	Sarael, Annelyn A.	46TR00547800
88.	Roseman, Jeremy T.	46TR00547900
89.	Hegarty, Kailin Elaine	46TR00548000
90.	Bracero, Sandy C.	46TR00548100
91.	Marmillion, Nicole T.	46TR00548200
92.	Uibelhoer, Zoe O.	46TR00548300
93.	Andersen, Catherine M.	46TR00548400
94.	Mani, Karthik	46TR00548500
95.	Nugent, Lenore J.	46TR00548600
96.	Tulud, Gilleanne	46TR00548700
97.	Wojdyla, Stacy V.	46TR00548800
98.	Rambaran, Mary S.	46TR00548900
99.	Dunsavage, Mallory L.	46TR00549000
100.	Benitez, Kendra L.	46TR00549100
101.	Gesner, Corrine M.	46TR00549200
102.	Gallagher, Kathleen E.	46TR00549300
103.	Bargiel, Tamara R.	46TR00549400
104.	Smith, Allison M.	46TR00549500
105.	Lipman, Aron M.	46TR00549600
106.	Harkins, Andrea E.	46TR00549700
107.	Silhanek, Jennifer L.	46TR00549800
108.	Murphy, Brittany L.	46TR00549900
109.	Kuizon, Karlo J.	46TR00550000
110.	Kearny, Caitlin Ann	46TR00550100
111.	Ginty, Colleen L.	46TR00550200
112.	Giegerich, Faith M.	46TR00550300
113.	Dimon, Jacqueline K.	46TR00550400
114.	DeVoe, Stephanie Carin	46TR00550500
115.	Casey, Caroline M.	46TR00550600
116.	Patel, Nita	46TR00550700

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANTS

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| 1. | Pinto, Claudia | 46TA09079300 |
| 2. | Gibbons, Theresa | 46TA09079400 |
| 3. | Stokes, Abbie | 46TA09079500 |
| 4. | Croshier, Shelley S. | 46TA09079600 |
| 5. | DeGuzman, Candice Gayle C. | 46TA09079700 |
| 6. | Tow, Carmen | 46TA09079800 |

At 11: 50 P.M. the Council, upon motion made by Aida Mendez-Boud and seconded by Mariann E. Moran, voted to move into the Executive Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information receive pursuant to the Council's regulations. The result of these deliberations will be made known when and if the Council's determines to initiate disciplinary or other enforcement action. If the Council determines to issue any sanction, disciplinary action will be taken in public session immediately after the executive session.

At 11: 50 P.M. the Council, upon motion made by Aida Mendez-Boud and seconded by Mariann E. Moran, voted to adjourn the public session.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Anderson
Executive Director