

GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Regular Board Minutes

Wednesday, November 15, 2017 4:00 p.m.

Guam Memorial Hospital Board Room

850 Gov. Carlos Camacho Road

Tamuning, Guam

Members Present: Nathaniel Berg, Chairperson
Joan Gill, MD Vice Chair
Vincent Duenas, MD Member
Aurelio Espinola, MD Member
Philip Flores Member

Absent: Rey Lim, MD Member
Kia Rahmani, MD Member

Others Present: Myrna Leon Guerrero, HPLO Secretary; Tanya Grant, GRMC, Antoinette Rodriguez, SDA; Senator Mary Torres; Josh Wilson, Chief of Staff; Roy Adonay, GRC

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Guam Board of Medical Examiners Chairperson, Nathaniel Berg, MD called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm on November 15, 2017 at Guam Memorial Hospital Board Room.

II. PUBLICATION NOTICE - Confirmed by Myrna Leon Guerrero, Board Secretary, HPLO

III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT – Confirmed Quorum

IV. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

1. October 11, 2017 – Amended minor corrections - *Approved by Joan Gill, MD Vice Chairperson Seconded by Vincent Duenas, MD Member, all members are in favor motion carries.*

V. CHAIRPERSONS' REPORT:

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Website Online Application – Chairperson stated a & b together (website online application & automation) Senator Mary Torres in favor, Dr. Berg wanted to recognize Senator Torres and Josh Wilson, Chief of Staff at our request.
- b. GBME Automation update on document scanning Initiative is at 85% digitizing – Dr. Berg, Chairperson, gave background to Senator Torres of digitizing all paper records that has been submitted and are being scanned as individual physicians and will be medi tag and to have as much electronic data so it'll be available to

anyone. A created fillable PDF's for online application has been worked on with the assistance from the consultants from the Federated State Medical Board. It was recommended by them to get all scanning done then populate the online application and deposit all into the servers.

- c. Kim, Eli – **Conditionally Approved** by Phil Flores, Public Member, seconded by Joan Gill, MD Vice Chairperson all members in favor. (Dr. Berg, MD Chairperson proposed to board members pending submission in writing that he will not advertised himself as a Dermatologist other than Family Practitioner with special interest in skin care and not to use the word dermatology in his communication with patients, colleagues or advertising in a manner that could perceive or construe himself as dermatologist. Dr. Berg will call him to get written statement.
- d. Ross, Gerald – Request to withdraw his application – Chairperson, Dr. Berg tabled to remove from agenda until otherwise submit it again.
- e. Brown, Elaine - Obstetrics & Gynecology – **Conditionally Approved** by Joan Gill, MD Vice Chair and all board members in favor. Dr. Berg, MD Chairperson to request a.) written statement or verification from Michael Ramirez from the Montana Professional Assistance Program that she completed the program with satisfaction or graduated. b.) provide actual report of the National Practitioner Data Bank for 2001 lawsuit showing no restriction)
 - Dr. Berg, Chairperson, expresses to Senator Torres that he wanted to do legislation for Physicians program addicted to Meds or substance abuse. Guam has no programs and don't have protection with the Sunshine Act for individual health care Physicians. Dr. Berg request how to help figure a way to protect the integrity of the board while at the same time protecting people from public disclosure when they are trying to continue to practice without necessarily exposing their own flaws. Wants to tackle this by next year or next quarter. Senator Torres agrees and willing to work with the legislation.
- f. Rackman, Alexander – Internal Medicine – Left Guam and GRMC disregard full license.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Draft Bill 202-34 – Introduced and presented by Senator Mary Torres
Bill was introduced in late October to allow greater access to Physicians professional information. Under current statutes, a member from the public can obtained certain information by making request to the board about disciplines or any action on a physicians' license if someone is interested in. The objective is to not police physicians' here on island or to look for any derogatory information on someone. It's a public interest legislation for people who are new to Guam or doctor shopping. Bill 202 will also allow to expand an upgrade board website in line of automation to provide pertinent information on medical professionals it licenses on Guam whether active or inactive. Dr. Berg is willing to work with Senator Torres on the bill.

- b. Medical Board Logo – Pending design from graphic artist in Philippines.
- c. CO-2017-17-02 – to send letter of notification
- d. CO-2017-17-03 – to send letter of notification
- e. CO-2017-04 – Dr. Vincent Duenas, MD Member to submit summary report of investigation from GMH

f. **TEMPORARY LICENSE:**

- 1. Akrami, Jason – Diagnostic Radiology – Virtual Radiologic
Joan Gill, Vice Chairperson, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 2. Blunck, Joshua - Diagnostic Radiology
Joan Gill, Vice Chair, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 3. Davis, Steven – Diagnostic Radiology
Joan Gill, Vice Chair, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 4. Delavallade, Dawn - Diagnostic Radiology
Philip Flores, Public Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 5. Kerns, Scott - Diagnostic Radiology
Philip Flores, Public Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 6. Lanoue, Mark - Diagnostic Radiology
Philip Flores, Public Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 7. Otto, Tara – Diagnostic Radiology
Philip Flores, Public Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 8. Runyan, Stephanie - Diagnostic Radiology
Vincent Duenas, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 9. Van Kirk, Christian - Diagnostic Radiology
Vincent Duenas, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 10. Welte, Frank - Diagnostic Radiology
Vincent Duenas, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 11. Wolfe, Gregory - Diagnostic Radiology
Vincent Duenas, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval

g. **FULL LICENSE:**

- 1. Dhillon, Sara – Pediatrics
Philip Flores, Public Member – reviewed and recommend approval
- 2. Holeman, John – Internal Medicine
Aurelio Espinola, MD Member – reviewed and recommend approval
- 3. Rana, Saurabh – Internal Medicine
Aurelio Espinola, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 4. Rivard, Shayna – Dermatology
Aurelio Espinola, MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval
- 5. Zubair, Imran – Cardiology/Internal Medicine
Joan Gill, Vice Chair MD Member – reviewed and recommended approval

- h. **RENEWAL LICENSE** – 325 renewals applications were submitted for review and approval. Board members agreed to randomly review ten each renewal applications for their review and approval. Applications with “yes” on the

questionnaire form was also reviewed along with CME hours that were not completed.

Pending renewal application for submission for approval for next board meeting:

1. Georgey T. Easow – Hold pending complaint CO-2017-17-03
2. Albert Whiting – Need more information from questionnaire form.
3. Kathryn Guffrey – Need more information on the “yes” questionnaire form on the attached case summary under the provider case outcome.
4. Kimberly Kilgore – Need CME’s certificate.
5. Vincent Akimoto – Pending CME of 23 credit hours
- 6.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Next Regular Schedule Meeting will be on Wednesday, ***December 13, 2017*** at 4:00 p.m. at the GMHA Board Room.

ADJOURNMENT:

Vincent Duenas, MD Member motion to adjourned the regular board meeting at 6:30 p.m. seconded by Joan Gill, Vice Chair MD Member.