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Scope of Practice Committee April 13, 2012 Oregon School of Massage Portland, OR

Attendance

Committee Members:

Nick Chrones, LMT; Committee Chair
Todd Pennington, LMT
Tina Rea, LMT
Jon Grossart, LMT
Gary Vigeant, LMT

OBMT:

Kate Coffey - Executive Director
Christine West – Policy Analyst

Absent:

Shelly Stephenson, LMT
Melanie Morin, LMT – Board Liaison

Guests:

Michelle Boyles, LMT

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m. The minutes were approved from the March meeting with one change; *nope* was changed to *not defined*.

Introduction of members - Chrones, Pennington, Rea, Grossart, Vigeant and Coffey.

Public Input – Michelle Boyle attended to see the progress and current activities of the committee.

Coffey reported that to add license endorsements DOJ stated that we would have to have a statutory change. Currently we have two legislative concepts that the Board has approved to file:

- 1) license endorsement and a name change to be a broad umbrella; and
- 2) facilities licensing, to license massage facilities.

Currently we only license massage therapists, but we are finding Asian massage facilities opening along the I-5 corridor, we can issue a fine to the unlicensed practitioner only, with facility licensure we would fine the owner. If you are an individual LMT, the facility licensure will not affect you.

Lori Lindley, is our assigned DOJ counsel. She has drafted a legislative concept for license endorsement. Now the Scope of Practice committee needs to specify what type of endorsements the Board would have.

The committee viewed the Draft license endorsement and a name change Legislative Concept. The Board has asked this committee for areas of Endorsements, lets looks at broader areas of endorsement categories, modality endorsements, site/location endorsements, how does this committee see the framework of the endorsements. **Coffey** stated that we can define these permits/certificates/or endorsements by rule for the required amount of time or level of required training.

(As a Starting Point) Potential Modalities:

Structural Integrationist would require ?; **Grossart** will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer.

Watsu would require ?; **Chrones** will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer.

Myofascial Release would require ?; **Vigeant** will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer.

Shiatsu would require 250 hours (?) of advanced training; **Rea** will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer.

Lymphatic Draining requires 135 hours of advanced training, but this is medical training speed vs massage training speed, what training would be required at a regular training pace ?;

Pennington will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer.

Break Returned at 2:15

What approach does the committee feel would be most successful to define the training provided: the hours of training or list the training components?

Vigeant / Pennington will work together for Intraoral/Nasal, Internal Cavity will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer. **Rea** will work on Breast Massage and will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer. **Chrones** will look at Infant and Pregnancy he will come back to the next committee meeting with the answer.

Public Comment – Michele Boyles Understands the Boards name change – proposes Board of Massage Therapy and Bodyworkers. Spa and Estheticians call themselves masseuses, would like more of a clinical boundary for being a therapeutic massage. Facility Licensure, would like to advocate for this, perhaps a network or flash mob to the senate for the bill hearing. Would like somehow to get more publicity for the illicit activity and demonstrate a need for someone to regulate this. Likes the tiered licensing approach and raising the standard for the people that would like to do more than relaxation massage. The paramedics and truckers even have tiered licensure. The Board should look at what the students are seeking, set the standards and let the schools step-up or close. A potential client recently sought my credentials and hours of training before she chose me for massage. I would suggest Hot Rocks be an endorsement, just as a protection since the Board removed hydrotherapy from massage requirements. Would out call massage therapists be required for facility license?

Fredrickson responded that is something the Board was working on, you must direct your question to the Board.

Homework: Christine will print definitions from other Health Licensing Agencies to understand what names are defined by other license boards (manual therapy?). **Committee** Review the Draft Name Change concept and send suggestions to Christine to merge into one Legislative Concept for the Board to review.

Vigeant informed the committee that Florida just passed a bill to exclude massage therapist and chiropractors from PIP.

Next meeting is May 18 at 1:00.

Adjourned at 2:55 pm.