APPROVED BY BOARD JANUARY 11, 2019

ACUPUNCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OFFICE/WORKING LUNCH

December 7, 2018
Noon

The mission of the Oregon Medical Board is to protect the health, safety, and wellbeing of Oregon citizens by regulating the practice of medicine in a manner that promotes access to quality care.

Committee Members:
Collin Stoll, LAc, Chair
Lisa Albanese, MD
David Berkshire, LAc
Barbara de la Torre, MD
Laura Ocker, LAc
Charlotte Lin, MD, Board Liaison

Staff:
Nicole Krishnaswami, JD, Executive Director
Elizabeth Ross, Legislative & Policy Analyst
Netia N. Miles, Licensing Manager
Eric Brown, Chief Investigator
Shayne J. Nylund, Committee Coordinator

Guests Present:
No guests present.

Mr. Stoll called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Mr. Stoll to announce that pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f) and ORS 192.660(2)(L), the Acupuncture Advisory Committee of the Oregon Medical Board (OMB) may convene in Executive Session to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection or information obtained as part of an investigation, including information received in confidence by the Board and Acupuncture Advisory Committee, information of a personal nature the disclosure of which would constitute an invasion of privacy, and records which are otherwise confidential under Oregon law. The Acupuncture Advisory Committee will reconvene in Public Session prior to taking any final action. Members of the news media may remain in the room during the Executive Session, but are directed not to report on the specific information discussed during the Executive Session.
EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Investigative Update from Eric Brown, Chief Investigator

Eric Brown, Chief Investigator, updated the Committee on acupuncture licensees currently under investigation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Informational item only; no action taken.

2. Entity ID: 1043547

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee recommended granting the applicant’s waiver request and issuing an unlimited, active license. Additionally, it is recommended that the applicant be issued a civil penalty for negatively answering personal history question number two on the application for licensure. Forward to the full Board approval.

PUBLIC SESSION

Time Certain: 12:25 p.m.

3. Acupuncture Advisory Committee Open Acupuncturist Position Interviews
   1. Lisa Pool, LAc: 12:25 p.m.
   2. Hilarey Boly LAc: 12:35 p.m.
   3. Cheryl Wright, PhD, LAc: 12:45 p.m.
   4. Ann Krueger, LAc: 1:00 p.m.
   5. Forrest Cooper, DAOM, LAc: 1:15 pm.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee nominated Forrest Cooper, DAOM, LAc, for the acupuncturist member opening on the Acupuncture Advisory Committee. Forward to the full Board for approval.
DISCUSSION ITEMS

4 Re-Entry to Practice Matrix: Proposed Revisions

The Committee reviewed the proposed revisions of the AC Re-Entry protocol matrix for acupuncturists:

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Example: A practitioner out of practice for 4-4.9 years will be required to complete at least a 160-hour mentorship.

Example: A practitioner out of practice for 8-8.9 years will be required to complete at least a 320-hour mentorship.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee recommended adopting the proposed revisions of the AC Re-Entry protocol matrix and posting it on the Board’s website. Forward to the full Board for approval.

5 Daith Piercings and Migraines

Mr. Stoll stated his concerns that Daith piercings could lead to possible infections, and that they may not be medically effective. Dr. de la Torre stated that after a Daith piercing is placed in the ear, the acupuncture point is lost, and the treatment becomes less effective.
COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee stated that Daith piercings are not within the current scope for acupuncturists. Additionally, the Committee stated that piercers should not advertise Daith piercings as a medical or acupuncture treatment.

Mr. Berkshire requests a clear statement to Oregon licensed acupuncturists that prescribing and dispensing CBD oil is outside their scope if practice, as he has concerns about lack of awareness. Mr. Stoll inquired if there has been any research in regard to the physical danger of using CBD oil. He further asked if there has been any research regarding lethal dosages or if the studies are only focused on the extent of whether or not the use of CBD oil is harmful. Dr. de la Torre stated there is very little research on CBD oil as the popularity of its usage is still fairly new. Ms. Ocker stated there could be a problem if CBD oil is being widely recommended by acupuncturists.

Nicole Krishnaswami, Executive Director, Oregon Medical Board, relayed that the Board’s medical director noted concerns about CBD oil’s absorption through the skin and potential to interact with other medications that the patient is taking, which could create unintended side effects.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee recommended providing communications through the Oregon Medical Board in regard to prescribing and dispensing CBD Oil not being in an acupuncture’s scope of practice. Forward to the full Board for discussion.

Dr. de la Torre reviewed a memo provided by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) regarding the administration of naloxone. OHA states that anyone in the state of Oregon is allowed to administer naloxone, as they are protected by Oregon’s Good Samaritan law if they do. OHA advises that training is not required in order to administer naloxone, although reading the Oregon training protocol is recommended in order to familiarize oneself with signs of overdose.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee recommended that Oregon acupuncturists interested in learning about administering naloxone should follow OHA’s Naloxone Training Protocol at: https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/ProviderPartnerResources/EMSTraumaSystems/Pages/epi-protocol-training.aspx#naloxone.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee acknowledged the Board-approved minutes from June 1, 2018.

Approved Needling Privileges for Visiting Acupuncturists
**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee reviewed the list of approved visiting acupuncturists. Informational item only; no action taken.

| 10  | Approved Clinical Supervisors | Berkshire |

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee reviewed the list of approved clinical supervisors. Informational item only; no action taken.

| 11  | Future Committee and Board Meeting Dates | Stoll |

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:** The Committee reviewed the upcoming meeting dates. No amendments were suggested. No action taken.

| 12  | Public Comments | Stoll |

No members of the public were present for comments.

Ms. Krishnaswami presented Laura Ocker, LAc, with a plaque and thanked her for her three years of service on the Acupuncture Advisory Committee.

**ADJOURN AT 2:00 PM**