ACUPUNCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA
BOARD OFFICE/WORKING LUNCH

June 1, 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
David Berkshire, LAc
Barbara de la Torre, MD
Laura Ocker, LAc (arrived at 12:13 pm)

Staff:
Kathleen Haley, JD, Executive Director
Joe Thaler, MD, Medical Director
Nicole Krishnaswami, JD, Operations & Policy Analyst
Netia N. Miles, Licensing Manager
Shayne J. Nylund, Committee Coordinator
Nicole Burke, Legal Extern

Guests Present:
No guests present.

Mr. Stoll called the meeting to order at 12:04 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.
PUBLIC SESSION  
Time Certain: 12:10 p.m.

2  Acupuncture Advisory Committee Open Physician Position Interviews:  
   1) Lisa Albanese, MD  

   de la Torre

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee nominated Lisa Albanese, MD, for the physician member opening on the Acupuncture Advisory Committee. Forward to the full Board for approval.

3  Applicant Review: Entity ID: 1017502  
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   Ocker

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Due to the applicant’s length of time out of practice, the Committee recommended granting an active license via a Consent Agreement for Re-Entry to Practice. The Agreement will require the applicant to complete a mentorship under a Board-approved mentor, who is not the applicant’s treating acupuncturist, for 320 hours. Additionally, the applicant will be required to submit documentation that she has completed 120 continuing education units (CEU). Forward to the full Board for review.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4  Review of Re-Entry to Practice Matrix  
   Stoll

The Committee reviewed the current Re-Entry protocol matrix for acupuncturists that is included in the Re-Entry to Clinical Practice packet, which is posted on the Board’s website. The Committee agreed that the matrix should be updated because it may give false expectations to some applicants.

Ms. Ocker stated that the matrix shouldn’t be unnecessarily complicated; however, it should be clear in defining the minimum re-entry requirements so that applicants know what to expect and understand that their re-entry requirements may be different from other applicants. The Committee proposed the following:

- An applicant who has been out of practice more than one year but less than two years must submit 15 hours of CEUs for each year out of practice. In addition, *if the applicant has had less than one year of clinical practice*, the applicant will be required to complete a 40-hour mentorship, and Committee review will be necessary before approval of the Consent Agreement for Re-Entry to Practice.

- An applicant who has been out of practice for at least two years but less than five years will be required to submit 15 hours of CEUs for each year out of practice and complete a mentorship. Committee review is necessary before approval. Mentorship length will depend on the amount of time out of practice:
  - 80-hour mentorship for 2-3 years out of practice,
  - 120-hour mentorship for 3-4 years out of practice,
  - 160-hour mentorship for 4-5 years out of practice, and
  - 200-hour mentorship for 5-6 years out of practice.
• An applicant who has been out of practice for five years or more will be required to complete a mentorship of at least 240 hours and obtain CME. Committee review is necessary before approval.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee recommended revising the current AC Re-Entry Protocol matrix and bringing a draft for review at the Acupuncture Advisory Committee meeting on December 7, 2018.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

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<td>Review of Board-Approved Minutes from December 1, 2017</td>
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee acknowledged the Board-approved minutes from December 1, 2017.

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

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

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<td>Future Committee and Board Meeting Dates</td>
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: The Committee reviewed the upcoming meeting dates. No amendments were suggested. No action taken.

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No members of the public were present for comments.

Nicole Krishnaswami, JD, Operations & Policy Analyst, described the Board’s two Legislative Concept requests for the 2019 Legislative Session. One bill would add a third public member on the Board. The other bill would expand the registration program for limited liability for volunteer services to include acupuncturists; the Oregon Association for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine is supportive.

Ms. Krishnaswami also stated that occasionally the Board is asked whether nurses or dentists may perform battlefield acupuncture. The Board informs the inquirer that only licensed acupuncturists and physicians may perform acupuncture, and the inquirer should consult their own licensing board with questions on their scope of practice.

ADJOURN AT 1:48 P.M.