



# STATE OF MARYLAND BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

**OPEN SESSION BOARD MEETING**  
**June 12, 2020 – 2:31 P.M. TO 3:37 P.M.**

## **Teleconference Call**

**MDH METRO EXECUTIVE BUILDING  
CONFERENCE ROOM 110  
4201 PATTERSON AVENUE  
BALTIMORE, MD 21215**

### **Board Members Present**

Gregory Lewis, D.C., President  
Michael Moskowitz, D.C., Vice President  
Robert Frieman, D.C., Past President  
Joshua Levin, D.C., Secretary/Treasurer  
Nelson Miranda, Consumer Member  
Karen Munter, Consumer Member

### **Non-Members Present**

Sharon J. Oliver, MBA, Executive Director  
Kimberly B. Link, J.D., MDH Liaison  
Grant D. Gerber, AAG, Board Counsel  
Marc Ware, Investigator, Board Staff  
Pamela Alston, Admin. Specialist, Board Staff  
Lillian Reese, Legislative Specialist

### **Board Members Absent**

Kindra Ingram, D.C.

## **MINUTES**

On June 12, 2020, the Maryland State Board of Chiropractic Examiners (the “Board”) met via Teleconference Call. In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, the meeting agenda was made available online at least 24 – hours prior to the meeting.

**Call to Order, Roll Call**– Dr. Gregory Lewis, President, called the Open Session Chiropractic Board Meeting to order at 2:31 p.m. Roll was called and six (6) of seven (7) Board Members were present. Dr. Kindra Ingram was absent.

**Review/Approval of the Open Session Agenda** - Dr. Frieman motioned to approve the agenda with additions; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Moskowitz. The motion passed. Board Vote: 6/0/0.

### **PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Lewis announced that Governor Hogan released several Executive Orders mandating the reopening of more of Maryland’s businesses and activities starting June 5, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. In light of this, Dr. Lewis cautioned everyone to be safe during the reopening process. Dr. Lewis stated the two new Board Members have been vetted and are scheduled to be sworn-in in July. When the Metro Building reopens, Dr. Lewis plans to invite Dr. Frieman and Dr. Moskowitz back for a farewell gathering.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Interpretation of Dry Needling Regulations and Clarification of Grandfathering Requirements for Maryland Chiropractors** – The original intent of the Board was to provide a path for Chiropractors who had been trained in and needling, before the dry needling regulations, to qualify for registration by



completing a 3-hour re-certification course. There was discuss on the appropriate course of action to ensuring compliance with the dry needling regulations given the requirements to complete a 20 hour hands-on training program. The recommendation of the Legislative /Regulations Committee was to consider the approval of in-office dry needling experience as the additional 5 hours of hands-on training.

**Approval of grandfathering requirements for Maryland Chiropractors** –There was a motion by the Legislative/Regulations Committee to approve grandfathering requirements for Maryland Chiropractors to include prior training in dry needling techniques, credit for 5 hours hands-on clinical experience, completion of 3 CEU’s in dry needling and to allow Chiropractors to continue performing dry needling, and an extension until September 30, 2020 to complete the requirements; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Levin. The motion passed. Board Vote: 6/0/0.

**Registration Processing Fee Discussion** - There was a recommendation by the Legislative/Regulations Committee to assess a one-time \$100 registration fee for Chiropractors who want to become registered in dry needling. The motion passed. Board Vote: 5/0/1.

**Approval of CA Duties Chart** – The Legislative/Regulations Committee reviewed the CA Duties Chart drafted by Sharon Oliver. Dr. Frieman reviewed each of the CA Duties with the Board. The regulation needs to be revised to reflect the recommendations of the committee. Board Discussion ensued. Dr. Lewis requested to table this item for the July Meeting.

**Externship/Preceptorship DC Licensure** - The Legislative/Regulations Committee recommended using the terms New Graduate Chiropractor & Reciprocity (Pending) Licensed Chiropractor respectively. Board Discussion ensued. The proposed language requires changes in the regulations. Dr. Lewis requested to table this item for the July Meeting.

**Dry Needling Registration Application Form Review and Approval-** Dr. Levin stated that an email was sent to the CEU Committee requesting feedback on the Registration Form. Board discussion ensued. The verbiage will be tweaked and presented before the Board for final approval.

**Approval of Recertification Course – Submission by Drs. Manison & Bross** - There was a motion by the CEU Committee to recommend the dry needling course syllabus as an in- person/live lecture format only; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Moskowitz. The motion passed. Board Vote: 6/0/0.

**Sunset Bill to Extend Term (The Chiropractic Board is set to expire in 2021)** - The Sunset Bill was drafted by Lillian Reese to extend the length of the Chiropractic Board until 2032. Motion to submit the bill to extend the Maryland State Chiropractic Examiners Board until 2032 by Dr. Frieman; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Moskowitz. The motion passed. Board Vote: 6/0/0.

**MISCELLANEOUS -Next Meeting Date – July 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Frieman moved to adjourn the Open Session Meeting at 3:37 p.m. with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dr. Moskowitz. The motion passed. Board Vote: 6/0/0.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Joshua Levin by sro*  
Joshua Levin, D.C.

Secretary/Treasurer