

Maryland State Board of Examiners of Psychologists

Open Board Meeting Minutes – April 3, 2020

The 649th Open Board Meeting of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Chairperson, Christopher Bishop, Psy.D.

Board Members Present:

Crystal Barksdale, Ph.D.
James F. Gormally, Ph.D., ABPP
Irene W. Leigh, Ph.D.
Neal R. Morris, Ed.D. MS, CBSM, ABPP
Reginald Nettles, Ph.D., CGP
Raj Razdan
Zeno St. Cyr II

Staff Present:

Lorraine Smith, Executive Director
Stephanie Coley, Administrative Assistant
Brett Felter AAG, Board Counsel

Due to COVID-19 the April 3, 2020 Board meeting was held via teleconference. The public was asked to submit questions by 3:00 on Thursday, April 2nd. The Board approved the following to assist with providing continuing of care.

- Psychologists located outside of Maryland may apply for a Temporary Exception to Practice to treat current patients located in Maryland by completing the Temporary Exception to Practice Application on the Board's website. The following conditions must be met:
- The psychologist must be in good standing in their licensing state and must have been licensed under requirements substantially equivalent to (or higher than) Maryland requirements;
- The psychologist can only provide services to existing patients to ensure continuity of care during the crisis;
- The psychologist pays a one-time processing fee of \$100.00;
- The temporary exception will be valid for up to 30 days (an extension can be granted beyond the thirty days upon request);
- The Temporary Exception to Practice is not available to psychology associates or interns;
- Services can be provided by telepsychology, but must be in accordance with Maryland state law, any relevant Executive Orders, the Board's regulations in COMAR 10.36.10 (to the extent they're not inconsistent with any emergency executive orders), and federal law."

The open meeting closed at 10:45 a.m.