

**899 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE  
2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR  
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**April 4, 2024**

**Time: 9:30 am**

**OPEN SESSION AGENDA  
(WEBEX MEETING)**

**Board of Pharmacy Mission Statement:**

“To protect and improve the public health through the efficient and effective regulation of the practice of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Detailing; through the licensure of Pharmacists, Pharmaceutical Detailers, Pharmacy Interns, and Pharmacy Technicians.”

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**PRESIDING:**

**BOARD MEMBERSHIP/ATTENDANCE:**

BOARD MEMBERS:		
	DR. TAMARA McCANTS, PHARM.D. R.PH CHAIRPERSON	
	MR. ALAN FRIEDMAN, R.PH, VICE CHAIRPERSON	
	DR. BENJAMIN MILES, PHARM.D. R.PH	
	DR. ASHLEE BOW, PHARM.D. R.PH	
	DR. ALLISON HILL, PHARM.D. R.PH	
STAFF:	DR. JUSTIN ORTIQUE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR	
	KARIN BARRON, HEALTH LICENSING SPECIALIST	
	LUANNE GREENAWAY, PROGRAM SPECIALIST	
	COUNTEE GILLIAM, BOARD INVESTIGATOR	
LEGAL STAFF:	CARLA WILLIAMS, SENIOR ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	
	ANGEL CRUZ, ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL	
VISITORS:		

## Open Session Agenda

### Quorum:

<b>Introduction:</b>		
0404-O-01	<b><u>Approval of the Open Session Meeting Minutes for:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• January 4, 2024, Open Session Meeting Minutes</li><li>• February 1, 2024, Open Session Meeting Minutes</li></ul>	
<b><u>Consent Agenda</u></b>	None	
<b><u>Chairperson Report</u></b>		Dr. Tamara McCants
<b><u>Office of Government Relations (OGR) Report Updates</u></b>	<b>Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA) Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ DC Health worked on a significant revision of the HORA. This would be the first significant revision in seventeen years.</li><li>▪ The revised HORA received Mayoral approval and has been introduced in the Council as the <i>Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023</i> (<a href="#">B25-0545</a>).</li><li>▪ This legislation received a hearing on <a href="#">December 7<sup>th</sup></a>. Over 80 witnesses, many of whom were healthcare professionals, signed up to provide testimony. DC Health’s Associate Director of Health Professional Licensing Boards provided testimony in support and answered questions from the Council.</li><li>▪ A mark-up was held on <a href="#">March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024</a>. The legislation will now go to the Committee of the Whole for a First and Second Reading.</li></ul> <b>DC Health Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ DC Health will have its Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight hearing in early April. This hearing offers an opportunity for the Committee on Health to review DC Health’s proposed budget for the 2025 Fiscal Year.</li><li>▪ There will be two hearings, one on April 1<sup>st</sup> for public witnesses and one on April 4<sup>th</sup> for representatives from DC Health.</li></ul>	Ms. Kera Johnson
<b><u>Executive Director Report</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Statistical Report on Pharmacy Professionals in the District of Columbia</b></li><li>▪ <b>Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Updates</b></li><li>▪ <b>DCRx (DC Center for Rational Prescribing)</b></li><li>▪ <b>Board of Pharmacy Vacancies</b></li></ul>	Dr. Justin Ortique

	<p>If you are interested in becoming a consumer member, you can apply through the following link:</p> <p><a href="https://motaboards.theresumator.com/apply/1L8k6Q/Board-Of-Pharmacy">https://motaboards.theresumator.com/apply/1L8k6Q/Board-Of-Pharmacy</a></p>	
<b><u>Senior Assistant General Counsel Report</u></b>		
0404-O-02	None	Ms. Carla Williams
<b><u>Subcommittee Reports</u></b>		
0404-O-03	<p><b><u>Legislative and Regulatory Subcommittee Report</u></b></p> <p>(a) Draft 22-B DCMR § 1901 D.C. Mun. Regs. Subt. 22-B, § 1901 1901. GENERAL OPERATING STANDARDS</p> <p>(b) Draft 22-B DCMR § 1920 D.C. Mun. Regs. Subt. 22-B, § 1920 1920. PHARMACIST-IN-CHARGE</p> <p>(c) Draft 22-B DCMR § 1999 D.C. Mun. Regs. Subt. 22-B, § 1999 1999. DEFINITIONS</p>	Mr. Alan Friedman
0404-O-04	<b><u>Communications Subcommittee Report</u></b>	Dr. Allison Hill
<b>NABP E-Newsletter</b>	<p><b>March 20, 2024</b></p> <p>NAM Collaborative Announces March 18 as Annual, National Health Workforce Well-Being Day</p> <p>CDC Prepares Health Care Providers for Possible Tetanus Shot Shortage This Summer</p> <p>FDA Proposes Criteria for Drugs That Qualify for DDC Lists</p> <p>FDA Discusses AI in Recent Paper</p> <p>FDA’s Advisory Committee Recommends Trivalent Seasonal Influenza Vaccines for 2024-2025</p> <p>Innovations: Let’s Talk About Speech vs. Conduct</p> <p>ISMP Publishes 2024-2025 Best Practice Recommendations for Hospitals</p> <p><b>March 27, 2024</b></p> <p>NABP Launches Examination Preparation Videos to Assist Candidates</p>	Dr. Tamara McCants

	<p>CDC Issues Health Advisory with Recommendations for Measles Prevention as Cases Increase in the US and Globally</p> <p>White House Introduces New Challenge to Save Lives from Overdose</p> <p>HRSA Allocates \$50 Million to Rural Opioid Treatment and Recovery Initiative</p> <p>HRSA Allocates \$50 Million to Rural Opioid Treatment and Recovery Initiative</p> <p>Note to the Public: To receive weekly updates from NABP, please sign up by using the following link: <a href="https://nabp.pharmacy/newsroom/news/">https://nabp.pharmacy/newsroom/news/</a>.</p>	
<p><b><u>Comments from the Public</u></b></p>		
<p><b><u>Motion to Adjourn the Open Session</u></b></p>	<p>"Madam Board Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14)."</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE</p>	

This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.

**Open Session Meeting Adjourned at   :   am**

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