

KENTUCKY BOARD OF MEDICAL IMAGING & RADIATION THERAPY

February 8, 2023

1:00 pm

Board Members Present: Doyle Decker, Eric Burchfield, Jeffrey Fannin, Ryan Hamilton, Keri Leamy, Lucas Rodriguez, Nancy Uhls

Board Members Absent: Sharon Whitaker, Stephanie Lester

ExOfficio Members: Carson Kerr, Elizabeth Morgan, Mary-Anne Gillespie

Guests: Anthony Gregory, Kenneth Hicks

AGENDA ITEM	Time	DISCUSSION	Action
Call to order	1 minute		Meeting was called to order at 1:02 pm.
Introduction of New Board Members	1 minute		Lucas Rodriguez and Jeffrey Fannin were sworn in to serve as board members after being appointed by Governor Andy Beshear on February 2, 2023.
Approval of December Minutes	2 minutes		A motion to approve December minutes was made by Ryan Hamilton. Keri Leamy seconded. Motion passed.
Approval of Board travel and per diem	1 minute		Keri Leamy made a motion to approve board travel and per diem for today's meeting and per diem for January's committee meetings. Ryan Hamilton seconded. Motion passed.
Committee Reports	20 minutes	<p><u>Education Committee</u>: No report.</p> <p><u>Complaint/Violation Committee</u>: The complaint/violations committee made a recommendation to approve the following actions: 21.13 Issue a \$3,000 civil penalty to Facility for unlicensed practice. 22.14 Approve Agreed Order for a Payment Plan to pay civil penalty. 22.22 Approve Agreed Order for a Payment Plan to pay civil penalty. 22.26 Close case unless individual applies for the reinstatement of license. 23.01 Initiate Complaint against Facility. 23.03 Initiate Complaint and issue a Cease and Desist Order. 23.04 Initiate Complaint and issue a Cease and Desist Order. The recommendation to approve the list of actions was seconded by Nancy Uhls. Recommendation passed.</p>	

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		<p><u>Applications Committee:</u> The applications committee made a recommendation to approve the following actions: approve applications for Cheryl Costner and Nicole Bryant; approve request to waive exam fee due to error for Amy Dupin. Ryan Hamilton seconded recommendation. Recommendation passed.</p> <p><u>Communications Committee:</u> No report.</p> <p><u>Regulations Revision Committee:</u> a. Investigation of Licensing MR, US, Dosimetry: No report.</p>	
Old Business	15 minutes	<p><u>New Database Update:</u> Ongoing</p> <p><u>Telehealth Scanning (CT):</u> After reviewing job boards for remote scanning positions, it seems that there are at least two facilities currently utilizing remote scanning for MRI, however, it is not clear as to whether remote CT positions are being utilized. If remote scanning were occurring in CT, the individual operating the scanner as well as the individual operating the equipment on-site would be required to hold a license from the Board [KRS 311B.150(2)], “It shall be unlawful for any person to manipulate equipment that produces ionizing radiation or administer radiopharmaceuticals unless licensed under this chapter”].</p>	
Executive Director Update	5 minutes	<p><u>License Update:</u> December 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. New: 33 b. Renewal: 586 c. Late: 1 d. Follow-up to late license submissions: in committee <p>January 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. New: 32 	

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		<p>b. Renewal: 666 c. Late: 4 d. Follow-up to late license submissions: in committee</p> <p><u>Related legislative activity:</u> None.</p> <p><u>Related ARRT, ASRT, NMTCB updates:</u> None</p> <p><u>Budget: Current Report distributed to board members.</u></p> <p>a. Revenue b. Expenditures c. YTD Balance d. Outstanding Bills</p> <p><u>Other:</u> a. Office Updates: Executive Director will join The Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR). CLEAR offers resources to regulatory agencies, including board member training.</p>	
New Business		<p><u>Nuclear Medicine Education</u> Board Chair Decker recognized guests Anthony Gregory and Kenneth Hicks to speak to the Board. Mr. Gregory and Mr. Hicks expressed concern about the fact that there are currently no educational training programs for Nuclear Medicine Technology (“NMT”) in Kentucky, thereby creating a deficit in the field. Both gentlemen noted that this deficit is being seen in rural areas, and they are seeking possible solutions to the issue, perhaps by creating a secondary pathway to NMT license such as cross training.</p>	

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		<p>Chair Decker indicated that any changes to current eligibility for licensing NMT may require updates to statutes and administrative regulations and further pointed out that current requirements for NMT certification exams require completion of a formal education program. An alternate pathway, if established, would not meet requirements for an individual to sit for NMT certification exam, which is the only means currently to establish competency.</p> <p><u>2023 Board Officer Elections</u></p>	<p>Keri Leamy made a motion to refer the topic of Nuclear Medicine Technology requirements for education to the Regulations Revision Committee for further review. Ryan Hamilton seconded. Motion passed.</p> <p>Ryan Hamilton made a motion to maintain current leadership of the board, Doyle Decker as Chair and Sharon Whitaker as Vice Chair. Keri Leamy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.</p>
Future meetings		<p>April 12, 2023</p> <p><i>All meetings are scheduled to start at 1:00 p.m. and are held at the KBMIRT office: 125 Holmes Street, Third Floor Conference Room</i></p>	
Meeting adjourned			<p>Keri Leamy made a motion to adjourn meeting. Lucas Rodriguez seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:18pm.</p>