



## Arizona Medical Board

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### **NOTICE & AGENDA FOR SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE MEETING Scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 1, 2024 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room A • Phoenix, Arizona**

Notice is hereby given to the general public and to the members of the Arizona Medical Board (Board), that the Board will hold a special meeting open to the public at the Board's offices located at 1740 W. Adams St., Board Room A, Phoenix, Arizona. A.R.S. § 38-431.02. The Board, upon a majority vote of a quorum of the members, may hold an *Executive Session* on any of the listed agenda items to obtain legal advice. A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) and (3). The Board may vote to go into *Executive Session* to discuss and consider records exempt by law from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is confidential by State or Federal law on agenda items H through O pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for matters set for a specific time. The formal interviews are scheduled to be heard during specific time blocks. However, the Chairman of the Board reserves the right to call cases in random order. Please note that the recommendations listed on the agenda are merely suggested Board actions. These recommendations do not become final until adopted by the Board. The Board has the authority to accept, reject or modify any recommendation listed on the agenda.

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#### **THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM**

##### ***Board Members***

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If you need to speak to a member of Board staff regarding agenda items, please contact the Board Coordinator at (480) 551-2734.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### A. CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 p.m.

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

### B. ROLL CALL

Lois E. Krahn, M.D., Secretary

### C. PUBLIC STATEMENTS REGARDING MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA – 5:00 p.m.

*This item will be limited to items on the agenda. Those wishing to address the Board need not request permission in advance; however, the Board may limit the number of speakers to three (3) per side on any one agenda item.*

### D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director

- Review and Discussion related to the Governor's Request for 2% Reduction in Operating Costs in FY25
- Review Discussion related to Governor's Mandate for Head Count Caps Starting April 27, 2024
- Update on Physician Health Program Committee Meeting held on April 24, 2024

### E. CHAIR'S REPORT

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

- Update on Federation of State Medical Boards Annual Meeting

### F. LEGAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

Carrie Smith, Assistant Attorney General

- Update re: Case 2:21-cv-01417-DLR *Issacson et. al. v Brnovich et. el.*

*The Board may go into Executive Session to discuss or consider legal advice, and/or for discussion with the Board's attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions to avoid or resolve litigation. A.R.S. §§ 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4).*

### G. DISCUSSION REGARDING DEBRIEFING ON BOARD PROCESSES

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

### H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- January 31, 2024 Summary Action Meeting
- February 6, 2024 Regular Session Meeting; including Executive Session

## LEGAL MATTERS

### I. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RECOMMENDED DECISION.

Possible action includes, but is not limited to, adopting Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41- 1092.08(i), the Board may meet and confer for purposes of modifying the recommended decision, including the Findings Of Fact, Conclusions Of Law and Recommended Order set forth in the ALJ's recommended decision issued in case no. 23A-56541-MDX involving Dr. Mark C. Okafor. **(Scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.)**

*The Board may only consider the official record when adjudicating a Formal Hearing Matter; therefore, the Board cannot consider new testimony or evidence at this time.*

1. MD-20-0380A, MARK C. OKAFOR, M.D., LIC. #56541

## **J. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SETTLEMENT OFFER IN LIEU OF FORMAL HEARING (Scheduled to begin at 6:15 p.m.)**

*The Board may only consider the official record when adjudicating a Formal Hearing Matter; therefore, the Board cannot consider new testimony or evidence at this time.*

1. MD-23-0260A, JOEL DWORKIN, M.D., LIC. #62704

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

*The Consent Agenda items may be considered for approval as a single action unless a Board member wishes to remove an item for discussion.*

## **K. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS**

*The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).*

1. MD-23-1275A, SATINDER SINGH, M.D., LIC. #53858  
Staff: Ms. Smith
2. MD-23-0995A, WILLIAM K. SUMMERS, M.D., LIC. #50927  
Staff: Ms. Migdal
3. MD-23-0453A, BRADLEY J. FOLKSTAD, M.D., LIC. #19824  
Staff: Ms. Smith, Dr. Haas
4. MD-24-0031A, CHIHUANG E. YEE, M.D., LIC. #31110  
Staff: Ms. Colvin
5. MD-23-0958A, RAMA VASIREDDY, M.D., LIC. #28052  
Staff: Ms. Migdal
6. MD-23-0712A, LAUREN N. BYRNE, M.D., LIC. #46495  
Staff: Ms. Migdal, Dr. Haas
7. MD-23-0679A, JAMES A. DEES, M.D., LIC. #67257  
Staff: Ms. Smith, Dr. Haas
8. MD-24-0134A, NADEEM M. HUSAIN, M.D., LIC. #42751  
Staff: Ms. Petrie

## **L. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS WITH NON-DISCIPLINARY CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION ORDERS**

*The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).*

1. MD-23-0226A, DEEPA D. AGARWAL, M.D., LIC. #20387  
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Vandenheede

## **M. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISMISSALS**

*The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).*

1. MD-22-1010A, KEVIN S. DOYLE, M.D., LIC. #24495  
Staff: Ms. Schulten, Dr. Deschamps
2. MD-23-1017A, RUCHIR GUPTA, M.D., LIC. #60282  
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. McClain

## **N. LICENSE APPLICATIONS**

*The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following applications.*

### **i. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION, OR TAKE OTHER ACTION**

1. MD-23-1011A, DAVID A. RICHARDSON, M.D., LIC. #N/A  
Staff: Ms. Morey
2. MD-24-0275A, DANA P. DAMORON, M.D., LIC. #N/A  
Staff: Ms. Canez, Ms. Shepherd

ii. **REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPLICANT'S REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENT**

1. JENNIFER B. JOHNSON, M.D., LIC. #N/A  
Staff: Ms. Callon

\*\*\*END OF CONSENT AGENDA\*\*\*

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**O. REQUEST FOR TERMINATION OF BOARD ORDER**

*The Board will review and may vote to take action on the following case(s).*

1. MD-21-0877A, JOSE H. ALVAREZ, M.D., LIC. #21702  
Staff: Ms. DesMarais

**P. GENERAL CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

*Those wishing to address the Board need not request permission in advance; however, the Board may limit those persons speaking during the "General Call to the Public" at three (3) per side on any one issue. A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H). The Board can only take action on matters listed on the agenda and other matters related thereto. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(H). If appropriate, actions on public comment matters that are not listed on the agenda will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or schedule the matter for further discussion at a later date. A.R.S. § 38-4301.01(H).*

**Q. ADJOURNMENT**



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Patricia E. McSorley, Executive Director

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