



Arizona Medical Board

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NOTICE & AGENDA FOR SPECIAL TELECONFERENCE MEETING Scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 1740 W. Adams St., 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 will not provide a physical location for this meeting. Board members, applicants, counsel and staff will participate either by Google Meets or telephonic communication, according to the information appended to this agenda.** 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 I through P pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2).

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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

Laura Dorrell, R.N., 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

Raquel Rivera, Executive Director

- Review, Discussion and Consideration of Chaperone Requirements in Other States
- Update Regarding Board Appointments
- Update Regarding License Portal
- Update Regarding DOJ ADA Accessibility Mandate
- Acknowledgement of Employee Appreciation Week
- Update Regarding Return to In-Person meetings

E. CHAIR'S REPORT

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

- Update on Federation of State Medical Board's (FSMB) Annual Meeting

F. LEGAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

Carrie Smith, Assistant Attorney General

G. PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM (PHP) REPORT

Erinn Poteryaev, PHP Manager

H. DISCUSSION REGARDING DEBRIEFING ON BOARD PROCESSES

Gary R. Figge, M.D., Chair

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- February 4, 2026 Teleconference
- March 4, 2026 Special Teleconference, including Executive Session

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.

J. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR DISMISSAL

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

1. MD-25-0124A, LAUREN T. BONNER, M.D., LIC. #31068
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. Haas
2. MD-25-0321A, BILL H. HALMI, M.D., LIC. #22591
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. Sucher

K. CASES RECOMMENDED FOR ADVISORY LETTERS

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

1. MD-25-1213A, MARY T. JACOBSON, M.D., LIC. #61806
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
2. MD-25-1139A, ROBERT J. TROELL, M.D., LIC. #41486
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
3. MD-22-0623A, STANLET R. SMITH, M.D., LIC. #34173
Staff: Ms. Hart

4. MD-24-1092A, KATHERINE A. LEITNER, M.D., LIC. #54430
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Deschamps
5. MD-25-0811A, TALAL ALSBIEI, M.D., LIC. #33701
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Deschamps
6. MD-23-0580A, BRYAN W. GAWLEY, M.D., LIC. #33914
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis
7. MD-24-1200A, LE ROI A. BAEZ, M.D., LIC. #30154
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Sucher
8. MD-25-0084A, JOSHUA W. HUSTEDT, M.D., LIC. #58460
Staff: Ms. Garcia, Dr. Deschamps
9. THIS CASE HAS BEEN PULLED FROM THE AGENDA.
10. MD-25-0319A, SUMEET SACHDEV, M.D., LIC. #73314
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
11. MD-25-0931A, DEREK B. KENNEDY, M.D., LIC. #70765
Staff: Ms. Cisneros
12. MD-25-0510A, MANSOUR H. ASSAR, M.D., LIC. #23221
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Ashby

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-25-0088A, IHTISHAM CHOUDHRY, M.D., LIC. #46421
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. Haas
2. MD-25-0960A, ERIC S. HAZELRIGG, M.D., LIC. #20772
Staff: Ms. Dittlof, Dr. Ashby
3. MD-23-0206A, SHEL-DON J. LEGARRETA, M.D., LIC. #25100
Staff: Ms. Hernandez, Dr. Ashby

M. REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DISMISSALS

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

1. MD-25-0208A, JONATHAN D'CUNHA, M.D., LIC. #58955
Staff: Ms. Samaradellis, Dr. Deschamps
2. MD-25-1160A, A. MICHAEL BADRUDDOJA, M.D., LIC. #34762
Staff: Ms. Nunes, Dr. McClain
3. MD-25-0446A, SIMON LAVOTSHKIN, M.D., LIC. #63440
Staff: Ms. Garcia, Dr. Sucher
4. MD-25-0557A, LAKSHMAN GOLLAPALLI, M.D., LIC. #58632
Staff: Ms. Garcia, Dr. Ashby
5. MD-25-0934A, ALLISON R. OPTICAN, M.D., LIC. #63612
Staff: Ms. Augugliaro, Dr. Deschamps
6. MD-25-0524A, JUAN S. URIBE, M.D., LIC. #53935
Staff: Ms. Colvin, Dr. Medlen
7. MD-25-0524B, JONATHAN J. LEE, M.D., LIC. #68386
Staff: Ms. Colvin, Dr. Medlen
8. MD-25-0524C, JOSEPH M. ABBATEMATTEO, M.D., LIC. #75714
Staff: Ms. Colvin, Dr. Medlen

N. PROPOSED CONSENT AGREEMENTS (Disciplinary)

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

1. MD-25-0188A, NIKI L. POPP, M.D., LIC. #67064
Staff: Ms. Poteryaev
2. MD-25-0863A, NOEL A. ZWEIG, M.D., LIC. #59778
Staff: Ms. Poteryaev
3. MD-25-0601A, JASON J. EMER, M.D., LIC. #56784
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
4. MD-24-1127A, PHILIP C. KACZAR, M.D., LIC. #26301
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
5. MD-25-0033A, KHAWAJA S. H. BAIG, M.D., LIC. #72048
Staff: Ms. Hernandez
6. MD-25-0977A, JEREMY M. ALVORD, M.D., LIC. #50936
Staff: Ms. Poteryaev

O. LICENSE APPLICATIONS

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

i. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LICENSURE BY ENDORSEMENT PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 32-1426(B) AND R4-16-201(F), OR TAKE OTHER ACTION

1. SHERIF A. A. DABASH, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Quinonez
2. SHADY AL-HAYEK, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Callon
3. SHALINI SINGH, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Corsi

ii. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION, OR TAKE OTHER ACTION

1. MD-25-0710A, INDERSUKHPREET S. RANDHAWA, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Hart

iii. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE OR DENY LICENSE APPLICATION, OR TAKE OTHER ACTION WITH STAFF RECOMMENDATION

1. MD-25-0250A, ABHAY GUPTA, M.D., LIC. # N/A
Staff: Ms. Hart

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

OTHER BUSINESS

P. REQUEST FOR TERMINATION OF BOARD ORDER

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

1. MD-23-0084A, PARVEZ M. FATTEH, M.D., LIC. #68224
Staff: Ms. DesMarais

Q. 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).

R. ADJOURNMENT



Raquel Rivera

Raquel Rivera, Executive Director

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