

## Texas Physician Assistant Board BOARD MEETING FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 2021 VIDEO CONFERENCE AUSTIN, TEXAS 9:00 A.M.

*The Texas Physician Assistant Board is posting the following Notice per Texas Government Code Sec. 551.041 and 551.127 and Texas Occupations Code Section 204.058.* 

On March 13, 2020, the Governor of Texas certified COVID-19 as posing an imminent threat of disaster to the public health and safety and declared a state of disaster in all counties of Texas. Pursuant to the certification, the Governor suspended certain open-meeting provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location, in an effort to reduce meetings that assemble large groups of people.

Accordingly, the meetings will proceed by Microsoft Team video conference, as allowed under Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.127 and the Governor's suspension referenced above. The public and members may join the meetings by using the internet link or phone number specified below. Members of the public will have an opportunity to attend and participate virtually, and may address the Texas Physician Assistant Board through public comment.

## TEAMS Link http://bit.ly/3vzViNv

Phone number (audio only): <u>+1 512-596-3865,,781595195#</u>

For instructions using Microsoft Teams, please go to <u>https://techhelp.tmb.state.tx.us/index.php/2020/11/24/public-tmb-virtual-meeting/</u>

9:00 a.m. 1. Full Board Call to Order, Roll Call and Mission Statement. *Our Mission is to protect and enhance the public's health, safety and welfare by establishing and maintaining standards of excellence used in regulating the practice of medicine and ensuring quality health care for the citizens of Texas through licensure, discipline, and education.* 

- 2. Board Member Report. Resolution – Jorge Martinez Recognition – Dwight Deter, PA-C
- 3. Executive Director's Report. Budget Report Internal Audit Report

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- 4. Medical Director Report.
- 5. Physician Assistant Liaison Report.
- 6. Public Information Update.
- 7. Consideration and possible action regarding pending litigation.
- 8. Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding licensee requests.
- 9. Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding applicants appearing concerning eligibility.
- 10. Discussion, recommendation and possible action regarding proposed orders offered by the Executive Director.
- 11. Report on physician assistant licenses issued by Board staff.
- 12. Report on physician assistant licensure process statistics.
- 13. Texas Physician Health Program (TXPHP):
  - A. Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding referrals
  - B. Report on Emergent Referrals
  - C. Other discussion items
- 14. Reports and discussion regarding the Investigation, Litigation and Compliance Departments.
- 15. Consideration and approval of membership of the Expert Physician Panel.
- 16. Review, discussion and possible action regarding appeals of dismissed complaints.
- 17. Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding routine follow-up on investigative files previously referred from Discipline and Ethics Committee for follow-up action.
- 18. Review, discussion, and possible action regarding selected files and cases.
- 19. Consideration and Approval of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders and Modification Request/Termination Request of Non-Public Rehabilitation Orders.
- 20. Consideration and Approval of Modification/Termination Request Orders.
- 21. Consideration and Approval of Agreed Board Orders.
- 22. Consideration and Approval of Reinstatement Request Orders.
- 23. Consideration and Approval of Nunc Pro Tunc Orders.

- 24. Consideration and Approval of Mediated Settlement Agreement Orders.
- 25. Consideration and Approval of Termination of Suspension Orders.
- 26. Consideration and Approval of Remedial Plans.
- 27. Consideration and Approval of Administrative Agreed Orders.
- 28. Report on Temporary Suspension/Automatic Orders/Automatic Actions.
- 29. Report on Rehearing Requests.
- 30. Consideration and Approval of Cease and Desist Orders.
- 31. Consideration and Approval of Determinations of Default.
- 32. Consideration and possible action for Proposal for Decisions.
- 33. Discussion, recommendation, and possible action regarding Rule Review and proposed changes to the following chapters in Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code.
- 34. Discussion, recommendation, and possible action, including rule review and adoption of proposed amendments to 22 T.A.C. Chapter 185, Physician Assistants.
- 35. Open Forum for Public Comments.
- 36. Consideration and Approval of the November 6, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.
- 37. Committee reports and the consideration and approval of minutes and action items of committees meeting during the board meeting.
- 38. Adjourn.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:** 

The Physician Assistant Board may close the meeting to the public and continue in executive session for the following reasons:

- a. Deliberations concerning licensure applications or disciplinary action under the authority of Occupations Code Section 204.0585.
- b. Private consultation and advice of counsel concerning pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and/or legal matters subject to the attorney-client privilege under the authority of the Open Meetings Act Section 551.071, Government Code.
- c. Deliberations concerning personnel matters under the authority of the Open Meetings Act Section 551.074, Government Code.

While in executive session, the Board will not take any action, make any decision, or vote with regard to any matter that may be considered or discussed. A certified agenda of any executive session will be made.