

## **State of New Hampshire**

# OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION DIVISION OF LICENSING AND BOARD ADMINISTRATION

Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03301-2412 Phone: 603-271-2152

# MINUTES Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy Thursday, January 20, 2022

The January 20, 2022 meeting of the Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy convened at 2:33 pm at 7 Eagle Square, Concord NH with the following members present:

Brandy Cusson, Chair

Winslow Whitten

Richard Serino

Raymond Hebert

Jocelyn Chertoff (remotely via Zoom)

Absent: Catherine Soucy

The Board reviewed the minutes of **December 16, 2021**, on a motion from Brandy Cusson, seconded by Raymond Hebert, the Board voted to approve the public minutes as amended and approve non-public minutes as written.

#### **HEARINGS**

Katie Alessandro – Show Cause

The Board held a non-disciplinary show cause hearing to obtain clarification of questions the Board had regarding Ms. Alessandro's renewal application for licensure as a sonographer. On a motion of Brandy Cusson and a second by Raymond Hebert, the Board voted to move deliberation to non-public session. After discussion during the non-public session, on a motion from Brandy Cusson and a second by Raymond Hebert, the Board voted to approve Ms. Alessandro's renewal application noting that the Board recommends Ms. Alessandro report to ARDMS.

#### **RULE CHANGES**

Mirt 300's – Adopt & Initial Proposal

On a motion by Raymond Hebert, seconded by Richard Serino, the Board voted to adopt Mirt 302.04 Mirt 303.01 - Mirt 303.10, and 305.01-305.03 as written, and to begin the amendment process. The Board will review the initial proposal at the next Board meeting.

HB 1018

The Board discussed the proposed legislature relative to the board of medical imaging and radiation therapy. Board Administrator Jessica Kennedy will notify the Board Members of any future bill hearings scheduled.



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#### APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Carlos Sarmiento

On a motion from Brandy Cusson and a second by Winslow Whitten the Board voted to approve the application.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE RENEWAL

Alicia Panos

On a motion from Brandy Cusson and a second by Jocelyn Chertoff the Board voted to approve the application.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### ACRRT contract

On a motion from Brandy Cusson and a second by Raymond Hebert, the Board voted to table to next month.

#### RHS position statement on Gonadal Shielding

At the request of the Board, Dave Scalise from the DHHS Division of Public Health Services, Radiological Health Section attended the meeting to answer questions the Board had regarding a position statement that was disseminated by the Division of Public Health Services, Radiological Health Section to hospitals. The Board discussed concern with the position statement that was released as it caused misinterpretation within the professional community and there was belief that shielding was no longer required.

The Board believes there should have been collaboration between RHS and the Board before the information was released. Mr. Scalise explained that the reason for the position statement was response to a high number of inquiries from hospitals. The position statement was developed based on information from national professional organizations positions. RHS is the organization that governs the rules regarding radiological health but understands that collaboration would be beneficial. The statement was not telling people not to shield, the position was that RHS does not enforce shielding.

The Board discussed reaching out to ARRT to request clarification. Board member Jocelyn Chertoff will draft a letter.



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NON-PUBLIC SESSION: 3:48 P.M.

[Minutes kept separately]

On the motion of Brandy Cusson and a second by Raymond Hebert, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A: 3, II (c), RSA 91-A: 3, II (e), RSA 91-A: 5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present. The Board returned to public session at 4:04 p.m.

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon the motion of motion of Brandy Cusson and a second by Richard Serino, the Board voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a Board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.