

# Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Drug Use Professionals

Thursday March 12, 2020 @ 9:00 AM  
Public Minutes

The public meeting for the Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals (the “Board”) was called to order by the Board Chair Jacqui Abikoff at 9:03 a.m. at the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, 121 South Fruit St., Concord, NH with the following members present:

Chair Jacqui Abikoff, MLADC  
Alexandra Hamel, MLADC  
Kathleen Russo, LADC  
Kelly M. Luedtke, MLADC  
Kimberly Haney, CRSW  
Serene Eastman, Public Member - Absent

## I. Approval of Minutes:

A. Upon motion by Kelly Luedtke, with a second by Kathleen Russo the Board approved the minutes from February 13, 2020 Public Minutes as amended.

## II. New Business:

A. **Medicaid to Schools Program** – Lindsey Courtney Acting Executive Director/ Health Director 10:00 am.  
Director Courtney addressed the Board regarding rule revisions. The Director requested a soft deadline to get revisions to John Kelly. If there are individual’s/stakeholders whose input would be beneficial it is more than welcome.

B. **RSA 332-G:13** – General administration of regulatory Board and Commissions FYI – Board to review at their convenience

## III. Old Business:

A. FAQ’s – Continue to work on list  
B. Approved Supervisors – working with MLO Group to pull report of all supervisors. – discussed by the board

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## IV. Tabled Items:

N/A

## V. Public Hearing

N/A

## VI. Request for Approved Supervisor

A. Upon motion by Kelly Luedtke, with a second by Kimberly Haney, the Board voted to deny Shanna Large as a supervisor. Ms. Large does not meet the criteria, in order to be a supervisor she will need to take the Advance Alcohol Drug Councilor exam from IC & RC.

## VII. NEW APPLICANTS RECOMMENDED BY PEER REVIEW

### A. LCS:

N/A

### B. MLADC:

Upon motion by Kelly Luedtke, with a second by Kathleen Russo, Board voted to approve the application of **Douglas Hohenberger** as a Master Licensed Alcohol and Drug Councilor.

### C. LADC:

N/A

### D. CRSW:

Upon motion by Kelly Luedtke, with a second by Kathleen Russo, the Board approved the following applications for Certified Recovery Support Worker:

- 1 CORSON, Rebecca
- 2 DAMON, Mickayla

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- 3 LABONTE, Elizabeth
- 4 MEHOS, Karen
1. ROTHCHILD, Leah

## **E. Reciprocity** N/A

## **VIII. CEU's Recommended by Peer Review**

Upon motion by Kelly Luedtke, with a second by Kimberley Haney, the Board approved the following continuing education courses:

- A. HARBOR HOMES FO PRSS- SUICIDE PREVENTION FOR PEER RECOVERY COACHES, MARCH 28, 2020
- B. HARBOR HOMES – COACHING RECOVERY: THE ART AND SCIENCE OF PEER ASSISTED RECOVERY, 04/27/2020-05/01/2020

## **IX. Questions**

### A. John

I was curious. I've taught several ethics and suicide prevention classes over the last year. Does teaching these classes provide eligibility for receiving the CEU's as it relates to CRSW renewals?

Answer: No

### B. Dawna

I am looking for clarification on the CRSW 400 rules. I am not sure if I am misunderstanding or if it is an error but I see that 404.03(b) says CRSW needs 1 hour of supervision a week while practicing and 404.01(b) says 2 hours per month of supervision while practicing. Could you clarify this for me please?

Answer: This was an error in the rule, the requirements are as follows:

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## C. Chelsi

I have a question regarding obtaining my MLADC. I recently obtained my LADC, and although I have a Master's degree in Psychology I was unable to apply for that licensure as I did not complete a clinical internship as part of my specific degree program. I was hoping that if I completed a clinical internship now, in combination with passing the MLADC exam and submitting the application that I would meet the criteria for obtaining this license. My overall question is, "May I complete a clinical internship now if it is not coupled with a degree program?"

Answer: No, it needs to be a part of a degree program.

## D. Autumn

I had tried calling and reaching someone to speak about my eligibility for my LADC. I have a bachelor's in English, however I have worked in substance misuse coming on 2 years in a few months. I noticed my major was not listed for accepted bachelors, however I very much so want to pursue my LADC and continue in the field. Is this an option for me with the degree I have?

Answer: No, refer to the rules

## E. Sean

I am a Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC) in the State of Maine. I am eligible for my LADC exam on April 1st of this year in Maine. It is my understanding that the LADC in Maine is the equivalent of the LMADC in NH. I have a Master's in Social work and have been working in an alcohol and drug capacity for a year in April meeting the hourly requirement.

I have recently accepted a position in NH at a treatment center. Is there reciprocity between NH and Maine regarding this licensing?

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Does it matter where I take the exam? If I am planning to live and work in NH should I just take the exam once I begin work in NH?

Answer: According to the rules there is no direct reciprocity with Maine, as long as it is the same exam the location is ok. Applicants need to have 3000 hours post master's degree.

## **New Business Continued:**

Upon motion by Kimberly Haney, with a second by Kelly Luedtke, the Board voted to approve a letter which will go out to applicants when applications are received but are not considered complete. This is in response to the email from Attorney Jill Perlow regarding timelines for application.

## **Medicaid to School:**

Upon motion by Kelly Luedtke, with a second by Kimberly Haney, the Board approved the Optional Application Questions regarding Medicaid to schools pursuant to Executive Order 2019-07.

Dr. Sally Garhart addressed the Board with regards to the services provided by New Hampshire Professional Health Program. Currently under a contract with the Board of Nursing, Dental and Pharmacy. Provide supervision to health professionals with alcohol, drug and behavioral problems.

## **Motion to commence Non-Public Session:**

On motion by Kelly Luedtke at 10:30 am, with a seconded by Kimberly Haney, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business 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, RSA 330-C:28, RSA 330-C:29, Murray v. N.H. Div. of State Police, 154 N.H. and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges by roll call vote

Chair Jacqui Abikoff, Yes

Alexandra Hamel, Yes

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Kathleen Russo, Yes  
Kelly M. Luedtke, Yes  
Kimberly Haney, Yes

Public session resumed at 12:28

**[Minutes kept separately]**

## **Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:**

On motion by Kathleen Russo at 12:28 pm, seconded by Kelly Luedtke. 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, that divulgence of the information likely would 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 in roll call.

Chair Jacqui Abikoff, Yes  
Alexandra Hamel, Yes  
Kathleen Russo, Yes  
Kelly M. Luedtke, Yes  
Kimberly Haney, Yes

## **New Business Continued:**

Upon motion by Kimberly Haney, with a second by Kathleen Russo, the Board voted to approve the applications for the following individuals:

LAZARRE, Djemi - CRSW

DAVIS, Melissa – CRSW

Meeting adjourned at 12:28 pm

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