The regularly scheduled meeting of the New Hampshire Board of Mental Health Practice (the "Board") was held at the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification ("OPLC") on January 21, 2022, beginning at 9:03 a.m., with the following members present:

Unless otherwise indicated, the members present and participating were: Gary Goodnough, Ph.D., LCMHC, NCC, Chair; Samuel Rosario, LICSW; Sheryl Reasoner, LCMHC, MLADC, Community Mental Health Center; Amy Alletzhauser, LPP; Debbie Robinson, Public Member; and Christina Gribben, Public Member

Sheryl Reasoner and Christina Gribben joined via zoom

Absent: All members present

I. ADMINISTRATIVE:

A. Minutes:

Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the minutes from December 17, 2021, as stated.

II. TABLED: N/A

III.HEARINGS/MEETINGS:

A. Samantha Whelan, MS, Show Cause Hearing, RE: Conditional Denial of a Clinical Mental Health Counselor application – **9:30 a.m.**

Hearing Counsel, and Presiding Officer, Attorney Nikolas Frye called to order the Show Cause Hearing of Samantha Whelan at 9:34 a.m. regarding the conditionally denied application for licensure as a Clinical Mental Health Counselor. Ms. Whelan testified and provided documentation to show she completed the National Counselor's Examination ("NCE") in 2002, and the constraint studying to complete the National Clinical Mental Health Counselor Exam ("NCMHCE") would have. Ms. Whelan has been licensed as a Professional Licensed Counselor for approximately 20 years in another state, however, she did not actively practice between 2007 and 2019.

Attorney Frye concluded the Show Cause Hearing at 10:05 a.m.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Rules – discussion to be continued during February 2022 meeting.

- B. No Surprises Act update from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) <u>No</u> <u>Surprises Act | CMS</u> –Informational, no Board action required
- C. Discussion regarding Mhp 402.01 (d) Suicide Prevention continuing education Ms. Robinson requested the Board's input on what feedback was received from licensees when the suicide prevention requirement was added to the administrative laws and rules. Ms. Robinson intends to reach out to other professional Board's to discuss the use of suicide prevention continuing education.
- D. The Board reviewed the waiver request from Amanda Rudy Huyler, LCMHC, on behalf of Aimee Prevost, MSW, requesting backdating and approval of a supervision agreement with a previous supervisor. Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Ms. Reasoner, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to <u>approve</u> this request.
- E. The Board reviewed the waiver request from Paula Nadeau-Booth, MSW, requesting a waiver of Mhp 302.01 (a)(m) and Mhp 302.03 (c) 2, requesting use of alternative documents to verify clinical supervision. Upon a motion by Ms. Gribben, with a second by Ms. Robinson, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to <u>approve</u> this request.
- F. The Board reviewed the waiver request from Tara Mahoney, LPC, requesting a waiver of Mhp 305.04 (a), NCMHCE requirement. Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Mr. Rosario, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to <u>approve</u> this request. The Board noted the content of the waiver, including the amount of clinical supervision received, and the additional graduate course work completed.
- G. The Board reviewed the waiver request from Carol Lee, LPC, requesting a waiver of Mhp 305.04 (a), NCMHCE requirement. Upon a motion by Dr. Goodnough, with a second by Mr. Rosario, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to <u>deny</u> this request.
- H. The Board reviewed the waiver request from Ashley Mills, LPC, requesting a waiver of Mhp 305.04 (a), NCMHCE requirement. Upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second by Mr. Rosario, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to <u>deny</u> this request. In Favor: Dr. Goodnough, Mr. Rosario, Ms. Reasoner, Dr. Alletzhauser, Ms. Gribben; Abstained: Ms. Robinson; motion carries

- I. The Board reviewed the waiver request for Adrienne Cameron, MSW, requesting a waiver of documentation of a Candidate for Licensure: Supervision Agreement. Waiver indicates the supervision took place in 2009, 2010, prior to an application being created by the Board. Upon a motion by Ms. Reasoner, with a second by Ms. Gribben, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve this request.
- J. Mike Mariska, LCMHC, on behalf of Brooke Griswold, MS, requests a waiver of Mhp 302.01 (11) and Mhp 302.01 (h)(2), the requirements of an official graduate transcript. TABLED DUE TO QUORUM, Dr. Goodnough recused
- K. Brian Hannigan, MS, request backdating of the submitted supervision agreement to September 1, 2021. TABLED DUE TO QUORUM, Dr. Goodnough recused
- L. NH Professionals Health Program quarterly update informational, no Board action required
- M. Proposed legislation of interest, for full list see Appendix A Upon a motion by Dr. Goodnough, with a second by Ms. Reasoner, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to allow Dr. Goodnough to send emails to the legislative sponsors for bills: HB1405, HB1014, SB277, and SB330.

V. NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Motion to commence Non-Public Session:

At 11:43 am, upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Mr. Rosario, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of evaluating complaints, the approval disapproval/correction of the Non-Public Minutes 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:5, IV, RSA 330-A:29, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Non-Public Session:

[Minutes kept separately]

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Mr. Rosario, the Board voted to withhold 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/or to render the proposed action ineffective.

QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Upon a motion by Ms. Robinson, with a second by Dr. Alletzhauser, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the following applicants for licensure.

MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: Mental Health Counselors:

- A. FIELD, Samantha, MS
- B. MAHONEY, Tara, MA
- C. PAONE, Gina, MS
- D. PUTTGEN, Julie, MA
- E. SOMERVILLE, Sandra, MS
- F. TURNER, Linda, MS

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE – RATIFY: Mental Health Counselors:

- A. ANDERSON, Nicolette, MS
- B. BURDEN, Veneita, M.Ed
- C. DREW-CHADBOURNE, Caitlin, MA
- D. DUBAY, Elizabeth, MS
- E. ENGLISH, Eileen, M.Ed
- F. GINGERICH, Darcy, M.Ed
- G. GUILMET-TALBOT, Kali, MS
- H. HANDLEY, Elizabeth, M.Ed
- I. HARTLEY, Gina, MA
- J. JOYCE, Karen, MA
- K. KARAYIANES, Annmarie, MS
- L. MARCHAND, Sarah, MS
- M. NEWTON BROWN, Heather, MA
- N. RUPP, Scott, MS
- O. SINCLAIR, Laura, MA

3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Mental Health Counselors:

- A. BOWERS, Anna, MS
- B. CARSON, Brogan, MA
- C. CROMWELL, Joy, MS
- D. DALEN, Susan, MA
- E. DEWITT, Zachary, MS
- F. FOY, Allison, MS
- G. HELFRICH, Allie, MS
- H. JONES, Jennifer, MS resubmit
- I. LEE, Elizabeth, MA
- J. MACKAY, Aleah, MA
- K. MCCARTHY, Charli, MS
- L. MRVOS, Jared, MA
- M. NTENGERI, Delvine, MA
- N. POLAND, David, MS
- O. SAPARETO, Elizabeth, Ph.D

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Mental Health Counselors:

- A. BUCCINI, Callie, MS
- B. COMEAU, Christine, MA
- C. DARRAH, Rebecca, MS
- D. DONLON, Cheryl, MS
- E. ELLIS, Emily, MA
- F. ETUKA, Bryant, MS
- G. FAHEY, Justine, MA
- H. HANNIGAN, Brian, MS
- I. KLEIN, Laura, MA
- J. LUSHEFSKI, Christine, MA

SOCIAL WORKERS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: Social Workers:

- A. CAMERON, Adrienne, MSW waiver
- B. CONLEY, Jennifer, MSW
- C. DOUCETTE, Alexandra, MSW
- D. DUARTE, Melissa, MSW
- E. MALCOLM, Jessica, MSW
- F. MARTINEZ, Ana, MSW
- G. MCDERMOTT, Meghan, MSW

- H. MITCHELL, Alison, Ph.D
- I. NADEAU-BOOTH, Paula, MSW waiver
- J. STANLY, Sundaram David, MSW

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE – RATIFY: Social Workers:

- A. ABESHAUS, Aviva, MSW
- B. CASELLA, Sophia, MSW
- C. DUGGAN, Maria, MSW
- D. FISHER, Karen, MSW
- E. GRIFFIN, Jennifer, MSW
- F. ISMAN, Robyn, MSW
- G. KELLY, Anne Marie, MSW
- H. KOZEY, Kristen, MSW
- I. LIST, Robin, MSW
- J. PADGETT, Amy, MSW
- K. PREVOST, Brandee, MSW
- L. REES, Kelsey, MSW
- M. ROSNEY, Sarah, MSW
- N. SINGER, Deborah, MSW
- O. SMITH, Holly, MSW
- P. STANGER, Linda, MSW
- Q. TRAUTH, Angela, MSW
- R. YANDOW, Gwynn, MSW

3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Social Workers:

- A. BARBONE, Kelli, MSW
- B. COCHRANE, Cassandra, MSW
- C. DASILVA, Kalyn, MSW
- D. DEBATIS, Traci, MSW
- E. DESMOND, Barbara, MSW
- F. DYCKES, Rebecca, MSW
- G. HUESTIS, Bonnie, MSW
- H. JOHNSON, L'Tonya, MSW
- I. KERN, Rachel, MSW
- J. SPAINHOWER, Sophia, MSW
- K. WOODS, Rachel, MSW

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Social Workers:

A. DAHLBERG, Stephanie, MSW

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: Marriage and Family Therapists:

- A. RAMIN, Cristina, MA
- B. CALL, Trenton, Ph.D

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE – RATIFY:

- A. ELSMAN, Debra, MS
- **3.** CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Marriage and Family Therapists:
 - A. WILLIAMS, Gail, MS

4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Marriage and Family Therapists: N/A

PASTORAL PSYCHOTHERAPIST

- 1. APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE: Pastoral Psychotherapists: N/A
- 2. APPLICATIONS FOR REINSTATEMENT: Pastoral Psychotherapists: N/A
- 3. CANDIDATES FOR LICENSURE SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Pastoral Psychotherapists: N/A
- 4. APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE IN SUPERVISION AGREEMENTS: Pastoral Psychotherapists: N/A

Motion to adjourn the meeting:

At 1:06 pm, upon a motion by Dr. Alletzhauser, with a second Ms. Reasoner, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to adjourn the meeting.

Appendix A: Proposed Legislation of interest:

<u>The General Court of New Hampshire (state.nh.us)</u> – to find out more information, use the "Find a Bill" search function

- A. SB397 enacting the mental health counseling compact In favor
- B. **SB220** relative to establishing a committee to study licensure of mental health professionals **In favor, Dr. Goodnough happy to assist**
- C. **SB330-FN** relative to reciprocal licensing requirements for boards, commissions, and councils administered by the office of professional licensure and establishing registration of paid feeding assistant programs **Opposed**
- D. SB277-FN relative to emergency or temporary health care licenses Opposed, due to timeline
- E. HB1065-FN relative to the regulation of art therapists In favor
- F. HB1405 allowing out-of-state mental health care providers to provide telehealth treatment during a mental health emergency – Opposed, due to information regarding licensees with fewer than 5 clients
- G. **SB313** relative to the authority of the office of professional licensure and certification to establish fees **In favor**
- H. SB382 relative to licensure requirements for telehealth services In favor
- I. **HB1014** allowing public meetings to be conducted virtually **Opposed, due to line about "chat" function**
- J. SB222 permitting licensing boards to conduct remote meetings In favor
- K. SB322 relative to remote meetings under the right-to-know law In favor

Informational – not necessarily relevant to Board statute:

- 1. HB1409 relative to the age at which a minor may receive mental health treatment without parental consent
- 2. HB1416 relative to consent for mental health treatment in parenting cases with shared decision-making responsibility
- 3. HB1537-FN establishing a pilot mental health drop-in center program
- 4. HB602-FN relative to reimbursements for telemedicine