

Respiratory Care Practitioners Governing Board
February 11, 2021

OFFICE OF LICENSED ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

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MINUTES February 11 2021

The February 11 2021 meeting of the Respiratory Care Practitioners Governing Board convened at 9:36 A.M. with the following members present:

Richard Mozier, Jr., RCP, Chair
Sarah Stone, RCP
Jeffrey Reisert, D.O.

Absent: None

The Board voted to approve the minutes of December 20 2020 on a motion from Sarah Stone with a second by Jeffrey Reisert.

PUBLIC MINUTES

1. QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

A. RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONER APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE

There were no applications for the Board to review at this time

B. RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONER APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT

There were no applications for the Board to review at this time

C. RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONER CONDITIONAL TO FULL REQUEST

There were no applications for the Board to review at this time

2. RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTITIONER APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE APPROVED UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

Notified the Board of the new spreadsheet for Fast track applications.

First Name	Last Name	License Type	Fast track date
SARA	PARKER	INITIAL	12/9/2020
STACI	MENSCH	INITIAL	12/18/2020
VIRGINIE	BANCE	INITIAL	1/15/2021

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ROBIN LEFEBVRE INITIAL 2/1/2021

ADMINISTRATIVE

3. **Review email requesting guidance on continued education**

Reviewed and discussed Resp 402.02 and Resp 406.01 on continued education hours required. The Board Chair Richard Mozier stated that from his recollection the Board made a rule change to 12 hrs in 2016. The Board will further review this with OPLC Attorney Thomas Broderick at the next Board meeting.

4. **Board Chair to proof read and sign letter for Resp100-200**

Reviewed and discussed letter certifying Resp 100-200 are accurate. Board Chair Richard Mozier to sign and return to Board Administrative Assistant Tracey Pappas to submit to OPLC Rules Division.

5. **Review Allied Board Of Directors Meeting**

Discussed and reviewed the Board of Directors meeting minutes on the following

A. Scope of practice guidance. There was a request by the Allied health boards to review this verbiage as they questioned the use of the word “feels” and asked if the BOD could establish new guidance.

Previous Guidance:

Licensees should not perform services if untrained but if the licensee has had training and feels competent with the skill, they can perform it. If the licensee does not feel competent nor have they been trained, they should use their judgement and clinical safety reasoning.

Updated Guidance:

Licensees should only perform services if the licensee has had training and has demonstrated competency with the skill and is in compliance with the professions scope of practice, rules, and code of ethics.

B. On line Licensing and rule changes. The Board was notified that some necessary rule changes may be brought to the Board in the upcoming months in order to finalize on-line licensure. There is no list of rules that will require a change at this time.

C. New fast track standing order The current standing order only allowed the Board administrator to approve fast track applications. The new standing order allows for “OPLC staff” to approve.

D. Wall certificates. With OPLC’s continued efforts to go paperless the Board agreed that wall certificates would only be issued if specifically requested by the licensee. Individual Allied Boards can decide if they want to submit electronic signatures to OPLC for the distribution of the certificates or they can choose to still sign when they ratify applications.

E. Telemedicine RSA 328-F:11-b – *Persons licensed by governing boards under this chapter shall be permitted to provide services through the use of telemedicine.*

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"Telemedicine" means the use of audio, video, or other electronic media for the purpose of diagnosis, consultation, or treatment. It was explained that as this allows for a NH licensee to service a patient who has crossed state lines it does not protect them from the State Board where their client is at the time of service. The Licensee should still contact the state where their patient is located to determine if that state has any regulations regarding the NH licensee providing the service.

F. Board meeting agenda items. The Board was notified of OPLC policy that Board agenda items must be received 10 days prior to a meeting date. This is to have uniformity between all Boards. The Board thought that since Allied Boards are smaller that perhaps this is why they allowed for last minute submissions however they understand the need for consistency within OPLC.

G. New OPLC website design. OPLC website which is tentatively scheduled to go live on February 15, 2021. The website will have the same page layout for all boards making it more user friendly.

H. 2021 meeting schedule. Respiratory (9:30 A.M.) – 01/17/2021, 02/11/2021, 03/11/2021, 04/08/2021, 05/13/2021, 06/10/2021, 07/08/2021, 08/12/2021, 09/09/2021, 10/07/2021, 11/11/2021 (Holiday conflict will get re-scheduled), 12/09/2021

No non - public session

ADJOURN: on motion by Sarah Stone, with a second by Jeffrey Reisert, the motion to adjourn at 10:13 A.M. carried in the affirmative.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tracey Pappas, Program Assistant.