



WASHINGTON STATE
CHIROPRACTIC QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2016 – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Department of Health
[CenterPointe, Room 309](#)
20425 – 72nd Avenue S
Kent, WA 98032

Commission Members:

Matthew Waldron, DC, Chair, Aaron Chan, DC, Vice-Chair, Winfield Hobbs, DC, Vice-Chair, James Slakey, Public Member, (absent), Gabe (Gary) Smith, DC, Doug Long, DC, Robert Schmitt, DC, Bryson Langel, DC, Ronwynn Pratt, DC, Maria Best, DC, David Folweiler, DC, Louise Stephens, Public Member, (absent), Judy Colenso, Public Member, and Kimberly Corbin Waters, DC (absent after 10:30 a.m.)

Commission Staff Present

Leann Yount, Program Manager
Bob Nicoloff, Executive Director
Lilia Lopez, Assistant Attorney General (AAG)
Mike Ellsworth, DOH Supervising Staff Attorney
Jessica Jorgensen, Administrative Assistant
Sue Hall, Commission Compliance and Projects Manager

Others Present

Danielle Welliever, DOH Policy Analyst

On March 10, 2016, the Chiropractic Quality Assurance Commission (Commission) met in Kent, Washington at the Department of Health. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the notice of the meeting was made available on line at least 24-hours prior to the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Waldron, DC, Chair 9:00 a.m.

1.1 The Commission approved the March 10, 2016 special meeting agenda.

1.2 Message from the Commission leadership included:

- Mr. Nicoloff presented an option to the Commission regarding how to proceed with the chapter rulemaking. The suggestion was to repeal the CR101 and break the rules down into smaller groupings under categories of “education,” “regulation,” and “scope of practice.” Then in between meetings, individuals can work on rule language to expedite the cumbersome process of drafting the language at the meeting. By doing it this way, the Commission can start revising the language from the draft instead of from scratch.

It was suggested to outline the options on paper and bring it to the April 14, 2016 business meeting for discussion and a decision.

In addition, the Commission is also interested in reviewing the Interpretive Statement that was filed in 1992 regarding chiropractors adjusting animals for no compensation. This item will be added to the April 14, 2016 meeting agenda.

2. PROPOSED SENATE 2016 SUPPLEMENTAL OPERATING BUDGET – Mr. Nicoloff

2.1 Mr. Nicoloff discussed the S-4871.1/16 proposed budget with the Commission and any potential impacts it may have if it is approved, specifically page 293:

"During the 2015-2017 fiscal biennium, the legislature may transfer from the dedicated health professions account to the state general fund such amounts as reflect the excess fund balance of the account."

3. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SURVEY RENEWAL QUESTIONS – Mr. Nicoloff

3.1 Mr. Nicoloff presented the draft chiropractic license renewal survey questions to the Commission for discussion and consideration.

Mr. Nicoloff will revise the draft questions and present the final questions to the Commission at the April 14, 2016 meeting.

4. CORRESPONDENCE – ALL

4.1 Commission members reviewed a letter of concern received from a Washington State attorney regarding independent chiropractic examinations. The letter is encouraging the Commission to adopt standards. The CR101 has been filed and the Commission will initiate rulemaking later in the year.

5. RULES PROCESS PRESENTATION – Danielle Welliever, DOH Policy Analyst 10:00 a.m.

5.1 Ms. Welliever provided an update about the rules process and suggestions regarding how to proceed with the revisions in Chapter 246-808 WAC.

Ms. Welliever also announced that she will be leaving the department the end of April and that the Commission will be receiving a new policy advisor.

6. RULES WORKSHOP - All 10:30 a.m.

6.1 Commission members continued drafting language for the following rules:

- [246-808-150](#) Commission approved continuing education
- [246-808-155](#) Prior approval not required
- [246-808-165](#) Exemptions
- [246-808-565](#) Radiographic standards.
- [246-808-570](#) Pelvic or prostate examination prohibited.
- [246-808-575](#) Intravaginal adjustment restricted.

- [246-808-580](tel:246-808-580) Acupuncture.
- [246-808-585](tel:246-808-585) Clinically necessary X rays.
- [246-808-590](tel:246-808-590) Sexual misconduct.

- 7. PUBLIC COMMENT** **11:30 a.m.**
- 7.1 No members from the public attended the meeting or addressed the Commission.
- LUNCH -** Dr. Smith presented the updated Commission’s Educational Presentation using the Prezi platform. Commission members suggested edits and revisions. Dr. Smith will continue to add content to the presentation and provide the updates at future meetings. **12:00 p.m.**
- 8. RESUME RULES WORKSHOP - All** **12:30 p.m.**
- 8.1 Commission members continued drafting language for the rules as described above.
- 9. PUBLIC COMMENT** **2:45 p.m.**
- 9.1 No members from the public attended the meeting or addressed the Commission.
- 10. NEW BUSINESS**
- 10.1 No new items were requested for the April 14, 2016 business meeting.
- 11. OTHER ITEMS**
- 11.1 No other items were discussed.
- 12. COMMISSION ADJOURNMENT** **3:00 p.m.**

Prepared By: Leann Yount, Program Manager

Date

Approved By: Matthew Waldron, DC, Chair

Date