



**WASHINGTON STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CERTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES**

**June 24, 2011**

**LOCATION:** Department of Health  
Point Plaza East  
310 Israel Road SE, Conference Rooms 152/153  
Tumwater, WA 98501

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder, CDP, Chair  
Lisa Romwall, CDP, Vice-Chair  
David Moore, CDP, Ph.D., Vice-Chair  
Deb Cummins, DSHS/DASA Representative – DASA is now called the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR)  
Betty Hames, CDP  
Anthony Hanley, CDP  
Jerome Dirkers, MD, CDP

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Tania Blackburn, Public Member

**STAFF PRESENT:** Bob Nicoloff, Executive Director  
Betty J. Moe, Program Manager  
Billie Jo Dale, Program Manager

**AAG PRESENT:** Jason Howell, Assistant Attorney General

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Melissa Johnson, AAG  
Paula Fisher, CDPWS Schick.  
Robin Smith, Crisis Clinic  
Grace Creasman, Eastern Washington University

On June 24, 2011, the Chemical Dependency Professional Advisory Committee met via teleconference. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the meeting agenda was e-mailed to members of the Chemical Dependency Professional Listserv.

**1. CALL TO ORDER – Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder, CDP, Chair**

**9:05 a.m.**

- 1.1 The chair introduced Jerome Dirkers, MD, CDP, Betty Hames, CDP, and Anthony Hanley, CDP new committee members.
- 1.2 The committee approved the meeting agenda.
- 1.3 The committee approved the April 1, 2011 meeting minutes as written.

**2. ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (AAG) REPORTS – Jason Howell, AAG**

Nothing to report at this time

**3. MANAGER REPORTS – Bob Nicoloff, Executive Director, Betty Moe, Program Manager**

- 3.1 Ms. Moe gave the licensing stats as of June 8, 2011. The committee asked that the number of applications denied for each of the new credentials. Program will include those numbers at the next committee meeting.

<b>Current License Totals</b>	<b>11/20/2009</b>	<b>3/8/2010</b>	<b>6/15/2010</b>	<b>8/17/2010</b>	<b>11/12/10</b>	<b>3/11/11</b>	<b>6/8/11</b>
<b>CDPT:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	215	473	1068	1333	1503	1707	1861
Number of Applications Denied						12	12
Active licenses	142	372	939	1134	1261	1363	1397
<b>Certified Counselor:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	61	138	836	1077	1168	1213	1245
Active licenses	0	0	167	455	662	705	718
<b>Certified Adviser:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	1	0	8	18	22	23	23
Active licenses	0	0	0	0	4	11	10
<b>Agency Affiliated Counselor:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	604	1646	5476	6395	6791	7116	7406
Active licenses	470	1300	3511	5762	6035	6102	6042
<b>Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist – Associate:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	50	101	229	321	338	367	415
Active licenses	28	83	187	240	269	292	310
<b>Licensed Mental Health Counselor - Associate:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	123	297	904	1193	1334	1426	1530
Active licenses	77	231	651	1010	1172	1236	1240
<b>Licensed Advanced Social Worker - Associate:</b>							

Number of Applications Received	25	80	318	212	188	200	213
Active licenses	13	32	102	142	166	175	176
<b>Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker – Associate:</b>							
Number of Applications Received	125	235	638	745	815	901	954
Active licenses	84	203	537	667	745	783	795
<b>Total applications received:</b>	1204	2970	9477	11294	12159	12953	13647
<b>Total active licenses:</b>	814	2221	5927	8955	9648	10667	10688

<b>Current License Totals</b>	<b>11/18/09</b>	<b>9/14/09</b>	<b>5/28/09</b>	<b>6/15/2010</b>	<b>8/17/2010</b>	<b>11/12/10</b>	<b>3/11/11</b>	<b>6/8/11</b>
Total active licenses	2578	2586	2566	2633	2653	2656	2661	2659
Total inactive licenses	3	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
Total retired active	96	81	75	157	165	171	147	148
Total expired	878	878	886	930	929	929	1288	1324

<b>Exam Results (Level 1)</b>	<b>Dec-10</b>	<b>Jun-10</b>	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Dec-09</b>
Applicants sitting for exam	60	52	43	68
Applicants that passed the exam	49	43	40	59
Applicants that failed the exam	11	9	3	9
Pass Rate	72%	82%	93%	86%

3.2 Ms. Moe presented the current budget report. The CDP program has a current balance of \$592,740. The CDPT program has a current balance of \$45,749. The CDP programs will not have a fee increase this year.

3.3 Mr. Nicoloff provided an update on HB 1493 Providing greater transparency to the health professions disciplinary process. The signed bill is effective July 22, 2011. Implementing this legislation will require the department to draft rules.

The legislation that passed in 2008 abolishing the registered counselor credential and creating 8 new credentials also requires the department to provide a report to the

legislature by December 15, 2011. The committee will see a copy of the completed report.

- 3.4 The committee received three new members. Four members have terms ending this year, but the eligibility exists for a re-appointment.

Ms. Moe presented a document and a matrix created to help answer questions received regarding the credentials needed to provide co-occurring treatment. Deb Cummins expressed concern that an agency affiliated counselor may be in-training status toward certification indefinitely since CD services fall within their scope of practice. DBHR rules do require that a person hold a CDPT credential to perform certain services within an approved agency. The department will only accept experience in the field of chemical dependency up to seven years prior to the date of application for certification. The concern of Ms. Cummins is that dually certified agencies have agency affiliated counselors that don't really intend on obtaining certification so they would be indefinitely in-training status.

The committee approved a motion to continue the discussion at future meetings.

**4. LETTER TO REPRESENTATIVE SEAQUIST – Betty Moe, Program Manager**

Ms. Moe presented the letter from David Burkett, CDP, sent on behalf of the committee regarding alternative training and the application of Mr. Corpolongo.

**5. DBHR RULE-MAKING FOR INTEGRATED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES – Deb Cummins**

The Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) filed a CR 101 April 19, 2011. DBHR is developing a new chapter 388-877 WAC for the purposed of implementing an integrated behavioral health rule, which would integrate three separate WAC's into one. DBHR is working with a consultant, workgroups, and stakeholders. DBHR will include updated information regarding rule-making on their website.

**6. COMMENTS REGARDING ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION – Betty Moe, Program Manager**

Ms. Moe presented two comments received regarding alternative education after the December 3, 2010 meeting minutes were distributed. The committee discussed their interest in alternative education for certification.

**7. CRISIS LINE AND CDPT HOURS – Betty Moe, Program Manager**

The committee reviewed an e-mail from Michael Reading on the use of the Crisis Line in obtaining supervised hours. Robin Smith attended the meeting by phone for Mr. Reading. The crisis line requested the committee to recognize their agency as an agency where a CDPT could obtain hours.

The committee cannot approve agencies. In order for a CDPT to obtain hours toward certification those hours must be obtained under the supervision of an approved supervisor as listed in WAC 246-811-049.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT – Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder, CDP, Chair**

Grace Creasman requested a copy of the Counseling Credentials Matrix.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA**

The items listed under the consent agenda (informational items) are considered routine agency matters and were approved by a single motion of the committee

8.1 May issue of “The Sentinel News for Department Employees.”

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder, CDP, Chair**

- Committee members review of states to determine if they are substantially equivalent.
- Continue discussion of dually certified credential and where field is going.

**11. ADJOURNMENT – Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder, CDP, Chair**

**10:39 AM**

Future Meetings:

- September 16, 2011 – Tumwater, WA
- December 2, 2011 - Teleconference

Submitted by:

Approved by:

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Betty Moe, Program Manager  
Chemical Dependency Certification  
Advisory Committee

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