On Friday, February 22, 2019, the East Asian Medicine Advisory Committee met at the Department of Health, Creekside Two at CenterPoint, 20425 – 72nd Ave. S., Suite 310, Room 307, Kent, WA. In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notices were sent to individuals requesting notification of meetings.

Members Present: Jacob Godwin, EAMP, DAOM
Lisa Miller, Public Member
Inderjeet Ramgotra, EAMP
Vacant

Members Absent: Cris Angel, EAMP

Staff Present: Vicki Brown, Program Manager
Trina Crawford, Executive Director
Sandie Pearson, Program Representative
Joyce Roper, Assistant Attorney General (AAG)
Jennifer Herbrand, Deputy Credentialing Supervisor
Kevin Robbins, Credentialing Supervisor

Others Present: Leslie Emerick, Lobbyist, Washington East Asian Medicine Association (WEAMA)
Dennis Bloom
Lisa vanHaagen, EAMP
OPEN SESSION – 9:30 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The business meeting of the East Asian Medicine Advisory Committee (committee) was called to order at 9:35 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2019 by Inderjeet Ramgotra, EAMP, Chair.

1.1 Introductions

The committee, staff and audience introduced themselves.

1.2 Approval of Agenda

The committee reviewed and amended the agenda to move Item 5 – Credentialing Process Presentation to Item 2 and renumber the remaining agenda items. Mr. Godwin motioned to approve the amended agenda and the motion was seconded. The committee voted in favor of approving the agenda as amended.

1.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 9, 2018

A motion was made by Ms. Miller and seconded by Mr. Godwin to approve the November 9, 2018 meeting minutes as presented. The committee voted in favor of the motion and the November 9, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

2. CREDENTIALING PROCESS PRESENTATION

The committee was given a presentation on the credentialing process by Jennifer Herbrand, Deputy Credentialing Supervisor and Kevin Robbins, Credentialing Supervisor. Ms. Herbrand shared that there had been changes in the credentialing unit and that Mr. Robbins will now be working with the East Asian medicine practitioner (EAMP) profession.

Ms. Herbrand and Mr. Robbins provided the committee information on the credentialing process and the following steps within that process:

- Intake, including online applications
- Application review
- Background check
- License issuance
3. CALIFORNIA ACUPUNCTURE LICENSING EXAM (CALE) AND NATIONAL CERTIFICATION COMMISSION ON ACUPUNCTURE AND ORIENTAL MEDICINE (NCCAOM) EQUIVALENCY REQUEST

The committee was provided information on the CALE and NCCAOM equivalency request. The committee reviewed and discussed the information provided on the CALE and whether to accept it for licensure. A motion was made and seconded to not accept the CALE. The committee voted in favor of the motion to not to accept the CALE.

4. 2019 LEGISLATION UPDATE

Trina Crawford provided the committee an update on 2019 legislation. She shared that today was the cut-off day for bills to be passed out of committee.

Leslie Emerick shared that the following bills are making their way through the legislative process and may affect East Asian medicine practitioners if passed:

- Senate Bill 1865 – An act relating to acupuncture and Eastern medicine – this bill would change the name and add continuing education to the profession.
- Senate Bill 5601 – Relating to health care benefit management.
- House Bill 1770 – Relating to occupational board reform and adding a new chapter to Title 18 RCW.

An updated legislative report will be presented at the next committee meeting.

5. EAST ASIAN MEDICINE ADVISORY COMMITTEE 2017 – 2019 BUSINESS PLAN

The committee reviewed their 2017 – 2019 business plan and made no changes at this time. The committee will be presented the draft 2019 – 2021 business plan at the next meeting.

6. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT REPORT – Information provided to the committee by the program manager and executive director.

6.1 Interim Operating Budget Report

Ms. Crawford, provided committee members with an updated budget report through December 2018. The report continues to show revenue is exceeding expenditures. She explained that there is a significant fund balance and the budget office may consider lowering fees in the future.

6.2 Recruitment for Professional Member Position

Ms. Brown updated committee members on recruitment efforts for a professional member. She will continue recruitment efforts and will provide an update at the next committee meeting.
6.3 Update credentialing and disciplinary report

Ms. Brown provided an updated licensing statistics report showing the number of licensees. The report listed the following:

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General disciplinary statistics were also provided to the committee. More detailed information regarding the disciplinary statistics will be provided by Ms. Crawford at a future meeting.

6.4 Other

There was no other business presented to the committee for review at this time.

7. CONSENT AGENDA – CORRESPONDENCE

The following item(s) and any additional correspondence received or sent is for the committee’s information. If separate discussion is desired on an item, a single motion by a committee member will place the specific item(s) on the regular business agenda. If there is no motion, there will be no discussion.

There were no items for the consent agenda.

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND PLANNING FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- 2019 – 2021 Draft Business Plan
- Rules hearing or final workshop for Chapter 246-803 WAC
- 2019 Legislative update
- Recruitment update
- Presentation on the 02G fund and how it operates
- Information on committee versus board

9. OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC INPUT

Ms. Emerick thanked the committee for their work. She also shared that she appreciated being included in the committee’s discussions.
10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:16 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2019. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 10, 2019 in Spokane. Updated meeting information will be posted to the East Asian medicine webpage.

Respectfully Submitted By:  

Approved By:

Vicki Brown, Program Manager  
Inderjeet Ramgotra, EAMP, Chair
East Asian Medicine Advisory Committee

11. RULES WORKSHOP

The department conducted a review of chapter 246-803 WAC. The final review will be held on Friday, May 10, 2019 in Spokane prior to having the rules hearing.