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MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE
FLORIDA BOARD OF MEDICINE**

**Credentials Committee Meeting
September 29, 2007
8:00 a.m.**

**Hyatt Regency
9300 Airport Boulevard
Orlando, Florida 32827
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To accommodate individuals required to appear before the Committee. The chairman adjusted the sequence of the agenda items. The minutes reflect the actual sequence of events rather than the original agenda order.

Dr. Robert Cline called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Those present for all or part of the meeting included the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Chizner, M.D
Robert Cline, M.D., Chairman
Mammen Zachariah, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Gloria Nelson, Regulatory Supervisor
Whitney Bowen, Regulatory specialist I

MEMBERS ABSENT:

H. Frank Farmer, Jr., M.D.
Laurie Davies, M.D.

BOARD COUNSEL:

Deborah Loucks

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PERSONAL APPEARANCES

8:00 a.m.

ROBERT CLINE, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 1-4

**Judith E. Shannon-Irizarry, M.D. – University of Cincinnati – Examination..... 1
Issue(s) Positive response to question #34 on licensure application.**

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. Dr. Rivenbark addressed the Committee and supports the applicant for licensure. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Tomoaki Kato, M.D. - Osaka University Medical School – Examination.....2
Issue(s) Lack of approved postgraduate training pursuant to section 458.311(1)3.a.c and 458.311(1)(h), F.S.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant and counsel were present and sworn in by the court reporter. Mr. Grossman addressed the Committee. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure due to the applicant's outstanding credentials with the condition that he maintains a faculty position at a Florida medical teaching facility for two (2) years. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with the condition that he maintains a faculty position at a Florida medical teaching facility for two (2) years.

Jon P. Lamb, M.D. - American University of the Caribbean Cupecoy - Endorsement 3
Issue(s) Positive response to questions 30, 33, 34, and 36 on licensure application.

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. Dr. Rivenbark addressed the Committee and supports the applicant for licensure. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Sunanda Chugh, M.D. – St. George’s University School of Medicine - Endorsement 4
Issue(s) Postgraduate training at St. Luke’s Roosevelt Hospital Center.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

MAMMEN ZACHARIAH, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 5-8

Lee E. Brown, M.D. - University of Santiago School of Medicine - Endorsement..... 5
Issue(s) Postgraduate training, determine if practice requirement has been met pursuant to section 458.313, suspended Oklahoma license, psychiatric evaluation required by Oklahoma, misdemeanor conviction and malpractice complaint.

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. Dr Rivenbark addressed the Committee and supports the applicant for licensure. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure with two (2) years direct supervision. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with two (2) years direct supervision.

**Stephens D. Taylor, M.D. – University of Mississippi – Endorsement.....6
Issue(s) Staff privilege at Crestwood Medical Center**

The applicant was not present nor was he represented by counsel. Ms. Loucks informed the Committee of the applicant's request to withdraw his application for licensure. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the applicant's request. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the applicant's request to withdraw his application for licensure.

**Jeanne E. Germeil, M.D. – Universidad Autonoma Metropolitana – Examination.....6a
Issue(s) Failure to disclose probation and repeated rotations at Bella Vista Hospital.**

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure pending a corrected application page, specifically number 13a. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure pending a corrected application page, specifically number 13a.

**Joshua M. Trabin, M.D. - University of Miami School of Medicine - Examination 7
Issue(s) Positive response to question #30 on the licensure application.**

Accompanied by Judy Rivenbark, M.D., Assistant Medical Director, Professionals Resource Network.

Represented by Rebekah Poston, Esq.

The applicant and counsel were present and sworn in by the court reporter. Dr. Rivenbark addressed the Committee and supports the applicant for licensure. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

**Mark L. Patterson, M.D. – University of Illinois College of Medicine - Endorsement 8
Issue(s) Action by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulations, Medical Education and postgraduate training at Advocate Christ Medical**

Center.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

MICHAEL CHIZNER, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 9-12

Shelia Mohammed, M.D. – American University of the Caribbean -Endorsement.....9
Issue(s) Postgraduate training at Hurley Medical Center, Mercy Hospital, Union Hospital and failure to disclose probation at all three hospitals on the resident registration application.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Marcy L. Street, M.D. - University of Illinois - Endorsement10
Issue(s) Dismissed administrative complaint by the State of Michigan.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Laith Kasir, M.D. – Mustansiriah University – Endorsement.....11
Issue(s) Considering request for petition or wavier of variance rule 64B8-4.009, F.A.C. and malpractice settlement.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the applicant’s request for a petition for waiver or variance and the application for licensure. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the applicant’s request for a petition for waiver or variance and the application for licensure.

Karl D. Friedrich, M.D. - Ross University School of Medicine- Endorsement.....12
Issue(s) Probation and less than favorable evaluation at Duke University.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

ROBERT CLINE, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 13-16

Naglaa Z. Abdel-al, M.D. – Alexandria University Faculty of Medicine – Endorsement.....13
Issue(s) Reasons for interruptions during postgraduate training.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Angelo R. Consiglio, M.D.-University of Illinois - Endorsement14
Issue(s) Criminal conviction and discipline by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

Represented by Monica Rodriguez, Esq.

The applicant and counsel were present and sworn in by the court reporter. Ms. Rodriguez addressed the Committee. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure pending a PRN evaluation. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure pending a PRN evaluation.

Okwuolisa A. Ikediobi, M.D. - Meharry Medical College – Examination.....15
Issue(s) Postgraduate training and lack of practice since June 2003.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Miguel A. Arcacha, M.D. - Salamanca University – Endorsement.....16
Issue(s) Eligibility for license pursuant to section 458.313,(1)(b), F.S. or 458.311(1)(h), F.S. and your discharge from the Department of the Army.

Represented by William Whitney, Esq.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. Mr. Whitney addressed the Committee. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure with 1 (one) year indirect supervision. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with one (1) year indirect supervision.

MAMMEN ZACHARIAH, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 17-20

Ralf E. Gebhard, M.D. – RWTH Aachen Medical Faculty - Endorsement.....17
Issue(s) Lack of 2 years approved training in one specialty area.

Accompanied by David Lubarsky, M.D., University of Miami, Department of Anesthesiology.

Represented by Monica Rodriguez, Esq.

The applicant and counsel were present and sworn in by the court reporter. Ms. Rodriguez addressed the Committee. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure with the condition that he maintains a faculty position at a Florida medical teaching facility for two (2) years. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure with the condition that he maintains a faculty position at a Florida medical teaching facility for two (2) years.

Padraic R. Obma, M.D. – The College of Wisconsin – Resident Registration.....18
Issue(s) Failure to meet 458.345(1), FS, has not been accepted in a training program and/or teaching hospital as defined in 408.07(44), F.S.

The applicant was not present nor was he represented by counsel. Ms. Loucks advised the Committee of the applicant's request to withdraw his application for resident registration. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the applicant's request. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the applicant's request to withdraw his application for a resident registration.

Robert S. Gordon, M.D. – Universidad Central Del Este - Endorsement 19
Issue(s) Medical education number attempts required to pass the national examination and failure to respond positively on question #34 on the licensure application.

Represented by Allen Grossman, Esq.

The applicant and counsel were present and sworn in by the court reporter. Mr. Grossman addressed the Committee. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Chizner seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

Stephen D. Kohl, M.D. – University of Miami - Endorsement 20
Issue(s) Positive response to question #35 on the licensure application.

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

MICHAEL CHIZNER, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 21-24

Edgar A. Santiago, M.D. - The University of Dominica School of Medicine – House Physician Registration21

Issue(s) Employment at Westchester General Hospital and Southern Winds Hospital without a house physician registration.

Represented by David Strauss, Esq.

The applicant and counsel were present and sworn in by the court reporter. Dr. Strauss addressed the Committee. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for a house physician registration. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for a house physician registration.

**Jonathan D. Rose, M.D. – Rush University – Resident Registration22
Issue(s) Request for a resident registration.**

The applicant was not present nor was he represented by counsel. Ms. Nelson advised the Committee of the applicant's inability to appear and request to be rescheduled. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the applicant's request. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the applicant's request to be rescheduled.

**Samir H. Haddad, M.D. - Faculty of Medicine, Aleppo University – Resident Registration23
Issue(s) Positive response to question #11 on the application.**

The applicant was not present nor was he represented by counsel. Ms. Loucks advised the Committee of the applicant's inability to appear and request to be rescheduled in January 2008. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the applicant's request. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the applicant's request to be rescheduled.

**Parthiv P. Patel, M.D. – Saba University School of Medicine – Endorsement.....23a
Issue(s) Postgraduate training at NH Dartmouth.**

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

**Jeremie Young, M.D. – Marshall University School of Medicine – Endorsement.....24
Issue(s) Postgraduate training and staff privileges at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center.**

The applicant was present and sworn in by the court reporter. After discussion, Dr. Zachariah made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Dr. Cline seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for licensure.

ROBERT CLINE, M.D. —TO INTERVIEW TABS 25-26

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATIONS

Habib J. Komari, M.D. – Aleppo Medical School – Endorsement.....25
Issue(s) Considering request for a petition for wavier or variance of rule 64B8-4.009(5)
F.A.C.

Appearance not required. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the applicant's request for a petition for waiver or variance and the application for licensure. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the petition for waiver or variance and the application for licensure.

Vadim B. Shatz, M.D. – Tver Medical Institute – Medical Faculty Certificate.....25a
Issue(s) Postgraduate training at Hebrew University Medical Center is equivalent to the
1 year approved training pursuant to 458.3145(1)(d), F.S.

Appearance not required. After discussion, Dr. Chizner made a motion to approve the application for a medical faculty certificate. Dr. Zachariah seconded the motion, which carried 3/0.

To summarize, the Committee voted to approve the application for a medical faculty certificate.

Helping Hands Clinic, Inc.....26
Issue(s) Request approval as an area of critical need facility.

Appearance not required. After discussion, Dr. Cline made a motion to approve Helping Hands Clinic as an area of critical need facility.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.