## ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS PUBLIC MINUTES

Special Called Meeting
Suite 320, 3300 Cahaba Road, Birmingham, AL
August 10, 2021

**Members Present** 

Gregory W. Ayers, M.D. Eli L. Brown, M.D.

Hernando D. Carter, M.D.

David R. Thrasher, M.D.

Members Present via Videoconference

Mark H. LeQuire, M.D., Chairman

Charles M. A. Rogers, IV, M.D., Vice-Chairman

Beverly F. Jordan, M.D.

Gary F. Leung, M.D.

John S. Meigs, Jr., M.D.

Patrick J. O'Neill, M.D.

Dick Owens, M.D.

William J. Suggs, M.D.

Jane A. Weida, M.D.

Members Present Telephonically

Aruna T. Arora, M.D.

**Members Not Present** 

Julia L. Boothe, M.D.

George T. Koulianos, M.D.

**Recording Secretary Present Via** 

<u>Videoconference</u>

**Amy Dorminey** 

**Staff Present** 

Matt Hart

Blake Henson

Wilson Hunter

Staff Present via Videoconference

Kimie Buley

Amanda Hargrove

Chris Hart

Effie Hawthorne

William Perkins

**Others Present** 

Patrick Samuelson

**Others Present Electronically** 

**Nate Horsley** 

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## Call to Order to Establish a Quorum: 6:56 p.m.

With prior notice given in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act, and with a majority of a quorum of the Board physically present, at 7:00 p.m., Board Chairman, Mark H. LeQuire, M.D., convened a special called meeting of the Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners. Board Vice-Chairman, Charles M. A. Rogers, IV, M.D., chaired the meeting.

## **CURRENT BUSINESS**

Limited Protocol for Advanced Practice Providers After consideration of a Limited Protocol that would allow a hospital chief of staff, hospital medical director, or their physician designee to make application to collaborate with or supervise an unlimited number of Advanced Practice Providers (APPs) who are currently practicing within the facility and to relocate them within the facility for the purpose of treating patients suffering from or affected by SARS-CoV-2, a recommendation was made to amend the protocol to expire in ninety (90) days rather than six (6) months with the option to extend the protocol if necessary.

Following additional discussion by the Board, including consideration of a request from Peggy Benson, Executive Officer of the Alabama Board of Nursing, to exclude Certified Registered Nurse Practitioners (CRNPs) and Certified Nurse Midwives (CNMs) from the protocol, a motion was made by Beverly F. Jordan, M.D., that was seconded by John S. Meigs, Jr., M.D., to amend the protocol to expire in 90 days unless extended by the Board, not to exclude CRNPs and CNMs from the protocol, and to adopt the Limited Protocol for Advanced Practice Providers as amended.

Board Vice-Chairman, Charles M. A. Rogers, IV, M.D., called for a vote. Aruna T. Arora, M.D., Gregory W. Ayers, M.D., Eli L. Brown, M.D., Hernando D. Carter, M.D., Beverly F. Jordan,

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M.D., Gary F. Leung, M.D., John S. Meigs, Jr., M.D., Patrick J. O'Neill, M.D., Dick Owens, M.D., William J. Suggs, M.D., David R. Thrasher, M.D., and Jane A. Weida, M.D., voted in favor of the motion.

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## Meeting Adjourned: 7:16 p.m.

The Alabama State Board of Medical Examiners will convene its regularly scheduled public meeting August 18, 2021, 848 Washington Avenue, Montgomery, AL

Amy T. Dorminey

Recording Secretary

**Approved** 

Mark H. Legyire, M.D.

Chairman

**Approved** 

William M. Perkins

**Executive Director** 

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