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SOCIAL WORK CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE NOTICE OF AGENDA & PUBLIC MEETING

Scheduled for October 12, 2012, at 9:00 AM
3443 North Central, Room 908, Phoenix, Arizona

2nd amended (10/10/12)

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the general public and to members of the Social Work Credentialing Committee that the Committee will hold a regular meeting open to the public on the date and at the time indicated above. (The meeting room is located on the 9th floor of the building.)

The Committee reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for those matters set for a specific time.

The Committee, upon majority vote of a quorum of the members, may hold an Executive Session on any item on the agenda, where applicable, for purposes of reviewing and considering confidential records, to obtain legal advice and/or to consider its position and instruct its attorneys pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2), (3) and (4). Executive Sessions are not open to the public.

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The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Call to order (Chair)

2. Roll call (staff)

3. Minutes: review, consideration and action

A. *September 14, 2012, general meeting minutes*

4. Complaints and other disciplinary matters: review, consideration and action.

The committee may go into Executive Session to discuss confidential medical records pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

Pending complaints represent unproven allegations. On investigation, many complaints are found to be without merit or not of sufficient seriousness to merit disciplinary action against the licensee and are dismissed. Except as provided by A.R.S. §§32-3281(D)(1) and 32-3281(E), action by the committee on all disciplinary matters is a recommendation only and all final decisions are made by the Board.

A. *2012-0117, Brent Case, LPC-12277*

Informal meeting for review, consideration and action.

B. *2011-0006, Eric Cuestas-Thompson, LCSW-12502 and LISAC-10713*

Informal meeting for review, consideration and action.

C. *David Jensen, LMSW applicant*

Review, consideration and action regarding opening a complaint and possible disciplinary action based on the background investigation.

D. 2011-0009, Arline Lemeshewsky, LCSW-3634
Informal meeting for review, consideration and action.

E. 2011-0025, Chelsie Reed, LPC-12936
Informal meeting for review, consideration and action.

F. 2013-0016, Bruce Somers, RLMFT-15041 and LMFT applicant
Informal meeting for review, consideration and action.

G. 2012-0127, Gary Straus, LCSW-3663
Informal meeting for review, consideration and action.

5. Report from the Chair

The committee may go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1), discuss confidential medical records pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

6. Report from the Executive Director and/or staff

The committee may go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1), discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(2) or to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

- A. General Agency Operations*
- B. Discussion regarding application review process requirements*
- C. Update regarding proposed rule changes by DBHS*
- D. Training regarding credentialing committee dismissal of complaints pursuant to AAC R4-6-3281(D)*

7. Board, committees and subcommittee reports (discussion and possible action)

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8. National and regional news regarding the profession(s)

9. Supervisor exemption requests: review, consideration and action.

- A. Sophia Krell (Lisa Blyth, LPC)*
- B. Courtney Nitschke (Edward Lovejoy, PhD)*
- C. Ruth Claire Weintraub (Jill Killeen, LPC)*
- D. Christian Sanders (Ella Cook, LPC)*

10. Applications for reassessment: review, consideration and action.

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11. Consent agenda: review, consideration and action regarding requests for deficiency extensions and inactive status

- A. Lou Ann Darras, Inactive status*
- B. Willie Ruth Denard, Inactive status*

12. Exam accommodation and/or extension requests and inactive extensions: review, consideration and action.

- A. Wendy Walker-Bowers, exam extension request*

13. Applications for licensure: review, consideration and action.

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Names of applicants to be reviewed are posted in the reception area of 3443 North Central Avenue, Suite 1700, Phoenix, AZ at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Independent Clinical Supervisor
Christian Sanders (Anne Blair, LCSW)

Appeals

Meleika Wadley

Ruth Weintraub

Melvin Taylor

14. Future agenda items

15. Call for public comment

Those wishing to address the Committee do not need to request permission in advance; however, the Committee may limit those persons speaking during this time to a reasonable number on any given public matter. In addition, each person wishing to address the Committee will be given five (5) minutes to do so. Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.01(H), the Committee can only take action on matters listed on the agenda. Action on public comment matters that are not listed on the agenda will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or to schedule the matter for further discussion at a later date.

16. Establishment of future meeting dates

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 9, 2012, at 9:00 a.m., at 3443 North Central, 9th floor conference room.

17. Adjournment

October 10, 2012

Debra Rinaudo
Executive Director