The Illinois State Medical Board convened an open meeting at 10:13 am on Wednesday, August 2, 2023, at the Department’s Chicago office in CMS Conference room 10N Rockford on the 4th Floor of 555 W. Monroe in Chicago, Illinois, and the Department’s Springfield office in Conference room 258 on the 2nd Floor of 320 West Washington Street in Springfield, Illinois. Both locations were connected by WebEx video conferencing.

The following board members were physically present for the meeting:

Maria Laporta, M.D., Board Chair  
Mohammed Jameel, M.D. Member  
Mary Huffman, D.C., Member  
Ratna Kanumury, P.A., Member  
James MacKenzie, D.O., Member  
Douglas Matzner, D.C., Member  
Caroline Moellering, Public Member  
Bartlomiej Nierzwicki, M.D., Member

The members physically present constituted a quorum.

The following board members attended the meeting via WebEx:

Thomas A. Boyle, D.O., Member  
Donald Diemer, DHSc, P.A., Member  
Radhika Lohia, J.D., Public Member  
Caroline Moellering, Public Member

The following Department staff were physically present for the meeting:

Shami Goyal, M.D., Chief Medical Coordinator  
Iris Freeman, Administrative Assistant  
Lauren Craig, J.D., Associate General Counsel  
Brandon Thom, J.D., Chief of Medical Prosecutions  
Todd Robertson, Board Liaison (Springfield)

The following Department staff attended the meeting via WebEx:

John Zander, M.D., Deputy Medical Coordinator  
Joseph Fojtik, M.D., Deputy Medical Coordinator  
Robert Mosley, M.D., Deputy Medical Coordinator
Open Minutes

A motion was made/seconded (Matzner/Hoffman) to approve the open session minutes for the Medical Board meeting on August 2, 2023. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendations made by the Complaint Committee in closed session

Mr. Robertson reported that Complaint Committee made the following recommendations in closed session:

Close 20 complaints - 3 with letter of concern and Refer 9 complaints for prosecution.

A motion was made and seconded (Matzner/Moellering) to accept the recommendations made during the closed session meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendations made by the Medical Board in closed session

Mr. Robertson reported that Medical Board made the following recommendations in closed session:

Approve 7 subpoenas; Approve 9 consent orders and 5 non-disciplinary orders; Indefinitely Suspend 1 Physician and Surgeon license based on Respondents default; and Approve 6 variances from the USMLE 7-year requirement in 68 Ill. Adm. Code Section 1285.60 (a)(7).

A motion was made and seconded (Moellering/Matzner) to accept the recommendations made during the closed session meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

Shami Goyal, Chief Medical Coordinator reported for the period of 7/1/23 to 7/27/23 that:
68 complaints were received, 21 cases were referred to prosecutions, 128 cases were closed, there were 441 open investigations with an average caseload of 55 cases per investigator. Also, that there are 223 cases assigned to the medical coordinators of which 39 are agreements of care, counseling, or treatment (CCT) and 305 cases being monitored by the probation unit.

Brandon Thom, J.D., Chief of General Prosecutions reported that as of 8/1/23, there were 802 cases open with the medical prosecutions unit of which 15 cases are related to tax liability.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Medical Board, a motion was made and seconded (Moellering/Matzner) to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.