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The Illinois State Medical Board convened an **open meeting** at **9:11 a.m. on Wednesday, June 20, 2024** at 555 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60661 and at 320 West Washington Street in Springfield, IL 62786. Both locations were connected by video conferencing. The meeting was accessible for guests to attend remotely via WebEx.

The following board members were physically present for the meeting:

Sreenivas Reddy, MD, Board Chair
Thomas Boyle, DO, Member
Mary Huffman, DC, Member
Maria Laporta, MD, Member
James MacKenzie, DO, Member

Douglas Matzner, Vice Chairperson
James Brooks, Public Member
Mohammed Jameel, MD, Member
Radhika Lohia, Public Member
Caroline Moellering, MD, Public Member

The members physically present constituted a quorum.

The following board members attended the meeting via WebEx:

Donald Diemer, PA, DHSc, Member

The following Department staff were physically present for the meeting:

Lauren Craig, JD, Associate General Counsel
Brandon Thom, JD, Chief of Medical Prosecutions
Greg Marion, Chief of Medical Investigations
Todd Robertson, Board Liaison
Iris Freeman, Administrative Assistant

The following Department staff attended the meeting via WebEx:

Shami Goyal, MD, Chief Medical Coordinator
Theodore Adams, JD, Chief of Investigations
John Zander, MD, Deputy Medical Coordinator
Joseph Fojtik, MD, Deputy Medical Coordinator
Jessica Pantoja, Patient Advocate Liaison

Recommendations made by the Complaint Committee on June 20, 2024

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

Close 24 complaints - 5 with a letter of concern, refer 5 complaints to Medical Prosecutions for review, close 11 mandatory reports, and refer 5 mandatory reports to Medical Prosecutions for review.

A motion was made and seconded (Jameel/Reddy) to accept the recommendations made by the Complaint Committee on June 20, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendations made by the Medical Board in closed session on June 20, 2024

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

Approve 8 variances from the provision in 68 Ill. Adm. Code 1285.60(a)(7) requiring completion of all USMLE steps within 7 years from passing the first step taken for: Olivia Copelan, MD, Sabrina Imam, MD, Meredith Rogers, MD, Raj Thapar, MD, Liana Kozanno, MD, Osas Uduevbo, MD, Amna Ali, MD, and Steven Reinhart, MD; approve 3 subpoenas; approve 10 consent orders for: Craig Dondal Ramsdell, MD, Joshua Jon-Michael Berger, DC, Noel Bell, MD, Anil Gupta, MD, Scott Morrison, MD, Edwin V. Espinosa, MD, Witold M. Zajewski, MD, Patrick G. O'Donnell, MD, Hang Yin, MD, and Paul Tack, MD; and approve 9 non-disciplinary orders.

A motion was made and seconded (Matzner/Brooks) to accept the recommendations made by the Medical Board during the closed session meeting on June 20, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

Mr. Marion reported for the period of June 1, 2024 through June 13, 2024 that 64 complaints were received; 21 complaints were referred to Medical Prosecutions for review; 103 cases were closed; there were 490 open investigations; and the average caseload for an investigator was 61 cases.

Dr. Goyal reported that as of June 18, 2024, there were 157 cases assigned to the medical coordinators with 29 agreements of care, counseling, or treatment (CCT) and 303 cases monitored by the Probation unit.

Mr. Thom reported that as of June 18, 2024, there were 876 open cases assigned to the Medical Prosecutions unit with 4 tax liability cases.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Medical Board, a motion was made and seconded (Jameel/Matzner) to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.