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The Task Force on Internationally-Licensed Health Care Professionals Meeting Minutes

Date: October 9, 2025

I. Call to Order

Ericka Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Location: 555 West Monroe Street 8th Floor, Conference Room 8C1

Chicago, IL 60661

320 West Washington Street, 3rd Floor, Conference Room 376

Springfield, IL 62786

The locations were connected by interactive video conferencing.

II. Roll Call/Introductions

A quorum of members were present:

IDFPR Secretary or Designee: **Ericka Johnson**

Speaker of the House of Representatives: **Theresa Mah**

Minority Leader of the House of Representatives: **Erin O'Brien**

President of the Senate: **Suzy Glowiak-Hilton**

Minority Leader of the Senate: **David Porter**

DPR Director or designee: **Lauren McGinn**

Nursing Coordinator of the Division of DPR: **Michele Bromberg**

Chief Medical Coordinator of the Division of DPR: **Dr. Shami Goyal**

Representatives of an organization that seek to eliminate employment barriers and advance the skills for immigrant professionals: **Tamar Frolichstein-Appel;**
Bethany Atkins

A representative of an organization that recruits immigrants and foreign students to work in health related areas; focusing on raising the awareness of social, political, and economic issues faced related to immigrant health: **Mike Zimmer**

A representative of an organization that seeks to increase the number of internationally educated medical professionals for practice within diverse communities: **Óscar Iván Zambrano**

Guest(S) Dr. Bill Hauter, April Harrington, Joe Ourth

IDFR staff were present for the meeting:

Mario Treto Jr.
Katie Workman
Chris Slaby
Sarah Snow
Dan Lewis
Chloe Compton

III. Meeting Minutes

An edit was made to the August 14th meeting minutes to reflect the due date of the task force report that will be submitted to the Governor and General Assembly one year from August 14, 2025. Senator Glowiak-Hilton made a motion to approve the amended August 14th minutes, and the motion was seconded by Dr. Goyal. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. New Business & Reports

Miss Johnson reported that the International Medical Graduate (IMG) rules have been finalized since the task force convened in August, and the IMG applications were opened recently and are now available.

Presentation by IDFPR

Katie workman presented the new application process for International Medical Graduates on the Department's new Comprehensive Online Regulatory Environment (CORE) system and reported that there are 9 IMG applications pending. A total of 6 applications were submitted during the previous week.

Lauren McGinn reported that the Department has provided follow up information to individuals who have contacted the Department recently regarding the International Medical Graduate rules and application process.

Miss Johnson presented the proposed workplan priorities for the task force. The proposed plan will be distributed to task force members and guests.

Dr. Goyal reported that she and Mrs. McGinn are participants of the Federation of State Medical Boards which is a group of stakeholders from other states who are currently working on rules that are either in progress or already active. Dr. Goyal stated that there is a concern of

reimbursement of care for IMGs and noted that Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement may be an area worth exploring on behalf of International Medical Graduates.

IV. Open Discussion

Miss Johnson asked if there were any comments for open discussion. Miss Johnson reminded the task force members of the health care related licenses group list attached in the meeting invitation.

V. Public Comment

There were no comments.

VI. Adjournment

Miss Johnson informed members and guests that the December 11th meeting for Chicago attendees will be held in a new room, which will serve as the meeting location for the remainder of the task force.

There being no further business to discuss, Miss Johnson asked if there was a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Tamar Frolichstein-Appel, and seconded by Representative Theresa Mah at 11:07 a.m., and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 11, 2025, at 10 a.m. in the Chicago and Springfield meeting rooms.