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**The Illinois State Medical Disciplinary Board** convened an open session meeting via WebEx at 9:01 a.m. on Wednesday, December 1, 2021. It was not practical or prudent to meet in-person due to the COVID-19 disaster.

The following members were present for the meeting:

Sreenivas G. Reddy, MD, Chairperson  
Peter Hofmann, MD, Vice-Chairperson  
Darren D. Hancock, DC, Member  
Karen O'Mara, DO, Member  
Umang S. Patel MD, Member  
Aja Carr-Favors JD, Public Member  
Caroline Moellering, Public Member

The members present constituted a quorum.

The following Department staff were present for the meeting:

Shami Goyal, MD, Chief Medical Coordinator  
John Zander, MD, Deputy Medical Coordinator  
Joseph Fojtik, MD, Deputy Medical Coordinator  
Robert Mosley, MD, Deputy Medical Coordinator  
Ted Adams, Chief of Investigations  
Greg Marion, Chief of Medical Investigations  
Jessica Pantoja, Patient Advocate Liaison  
Brandon Thom, Chief of Business Prosecutions  
Vaughn Bentley, Associate General Counsel  
Todd Robertson, Board Liaison

### **OPENING STATEMENT**

Dr. Reddy read the following opening statement: *This meeting is being conducted by audio or video conference without the physical presence of a quorum of the members because the Governor of the State of Illinois has issued a disaster declaration related to public health concerns and an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the disaster described in that declaration. This meeting is further being conducted by audio or videoconference because the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation has determined pursuant to the provisions of Section 7 of the Open Meetings Act that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of a disaster. All votes will be conducted by roll call, so each member's vote on each issue can be identified and recorded.*

### **OPEN MINUTES - Disciplinary Board**

A motion was made and seconded (Dr. Hofmann/Ms. Moellering) to approve the open session minutes for the Disciplinary Board meeting held on November 17, 2021. Roll call vote - Ayes: Dr. Reddy, Dr. Hofmann, Dr. Hancock, O'Mara, Dr. Patel, Ms. Moellering; Abstain: Ms. Carr-Favors; Nays: None. The motion passed.

**RECOMMENDATIONS made by the Complaint Committee in closed session on December 1, 2021**

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

Close 26 complaints - 6 with Letters of Concern; Refer 12 complaints for prosecution; Defer 1 complaint pending receipt of additional information, Approve 52 miscellaneous closures; and Approve closed minutes from the November 17, 2021 Complaint Committee meeting.

A motion was made and seconded (Dr. Hofmann/Ms. Moellering) to accept the recommendations made by the Complaint Committee during its closed session meeting on December 1, 2021. Roll call vote - Ayes: Dr. Reddy, Dr. Hofmann, Dr. Hancock, O'Mara, Dr. Patel, Ms. Carr- Favors, Ms. Moellering; Nays: None. The motion passed.

**RECOMMENDATIONS made by the Disciplinary Board in closed session on December 1, 2021**

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

Approve 1 CCT termination; Approve 4 Consent Orders, 3 Non-Disciplinary Orders, and 1 Agreed Order (Cease and Desist); Reject 2 Consent Orders and 1 Non-Disciplinary Order; Recommend Indefinite Suspension of License for 1 Default Order; Approve 6 Case Closure Memorandums; Reject 1 Case Closure Memorandum, Approve 6 MDB Subpoenas; and Approve closed session minutes from November 17, 2021.

A motion was made and seconded (Dr. Hofmann/Dr. Hancock) to accept the recommendations made by the Disciplinary Board during its closed session meeting on December 1, 2021. Roll call vote - Ayes: Dr. Reddy, Dr. Hofmann, Dr. Hancock, Dr. O'Mara, Dr. Patel, Ms. Carr-Favors, Ms. Moellering; Nays: None. The motion passed.

**CHIEF MEDICAL COORDINATOR REPORT:**

Dr. Goyal reported that 215 cases are currently assigned to Medical Coordinators of which 52 are CCTs and 265 cases in Probations.

**CHIEF OF MEDICAL INVESTIGATIONS REPORT:**

Mr. Marion reported that for the month of November: 88 complaints were received, 19 cases were referred to Medical Prosecutions, and 137 cases were closed. There are 1009 cases open in Medical Investigations with 215 case files assigned to Medical Coordinators. The average caseload per investigator is 144 cases.

**CHIEF OF MEDICAL PROSECUTIONS REPORT:**

Mr. Thom reported that a total of 770 cases are open in Medical Prosecutions - 27 cases are tax cases.

**GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT:**

Mr. Bentley reported that the Department is preparing for the Licensing Board and Disciplinary Board to merge next month. The first meeting of the new Medical Board is scheduled for January 5, 2022. The Medical Board will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further open session business to be brought before the Disciplinary Board, a motion was made and seconded (Dr. Hofmann/Ms. Carr-Favors) to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by a voice vote -the open session meeting adjourned at 9:10 a.m.