MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, May 15, 2025
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday, May 16, 2025
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

(Or Until Conclusion of Business)

Four Points by Sheraton Sacramento International Airport
4900 Duckhorn Dr.
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Action may be taken on any item listed on the agenda. Meeting times and order of agenda items are subject to change. Please see last page for information on public participation.

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum
2. Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda
   Note: The Board may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting [Government Code sections 11125, 111257(a)].
3. Approval of Minutes from the February 13-14, 2025, Quarterly Board Meeting
4. President's Report, including notable accomplishments, priorities, and communications with interested parties – Kristina D. Lawson, J.D.
5. Executive Management Reports – Reji Varghese
   A. Technology Updates – Sean Eichelkraut
   B. Licensing Program Summary, including personnel, statistics and licensing unit update – Douglas Hock
   C. Enforcement Program Summary, including personnel, expert reviewer program, statistics, and enforcement unit updates – Sharlene Smith
   D. Administrative Summary, including budget, and personnel – Reji Varghese

6. Updates from External Stakeholders
   A. Update from the Department of Consumer Affairs
   B. Update from the Health Quality Investigation Unit – Kathleen Nicholls and Stephanie Whitley
7. Discussion and Possible Action on Legislation – Aaron Bone
   A. AB 360 (Papan) Menopause
   B. AB 408 (Berman) Physician Health and Wellness Program
   C. AB 432 (Bauer-Kahan) Menopause
   D. AB 489 (Bonta) Health Care Professions: Deceptive Terms or Letters: Artificial Intelligence
   E. AB 742 (Elhawary) Department of Consumer Affairs: Licensing: Applicants Who are Descendants of Slaves
   F. AB 876 (Flora) Nurse Anesthetists: Scope of Practice
   G. AB 967 (Valencia) Physicians and Surgeons: Licensure: Expedite Fee
   H. AB 985 (Ahrens) Anesthesiologist Assistants
   I. SB 387 (Rubio) Physicians and Surgeons: Special Faculty Permits: Comprehensive Cancer Centers
   J. SB 470 (Laird) Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act: Teleconferencing
   K. SB 508 (Valladares) Out-of-State Physicians and Surgeons: Telehealth: License Exemption
   L. SB 626 (Smallwood-Cuevas) Perinatal Health Screenings and Treatment
   M. SB 641 (Ashby) Department of Consumer Affairs and Department of Real Estate: States of Emergency: Waivers and Exemptions

Recess, if necessary. Time permitting, all items will be heard on Thursday, May 15, 2025.

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8. Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of a Quorum
9. Discussion and Possible Action Related to the Midwifery Advisory Council (MAC) – Madeleine Wisner, L.M.
10. Discussion and Possible Action on Recommendations from the Special Faculty Permit Review Committee – James M. Healzer, M.D.
11. Updates from the Physician Assistant Board – Veling Tsai, M.D.
12. Future Agenda Items
13. Adjournment

Public Participation

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During Agenda Item **2** – Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda, the Board has limited the total public comment period to forty minutes. Therefore, after forty minutes, no further comments will be accepted. Each person will be limited to three minutes per agenda item.

During public comment on any other agenda item, a total of twenty minutes will be allowed for comments, apportioned between those participating in-person and those participating remotely. After twenty minutes, no further comments will be accepted. Each person will be limited to three minutes per agenda item.

The public is also welcome to submit comments in writing pertaining to any agenda item that may be considered by the Board members. Please submit written comments by May 9, 2025, via our contact form.

Meetings of the Medical Board of California are open to the public except when specifically noticed otherwise in accordance with the Open Meeting Act. The audience will be given appropriate opportunities to comment on any issue presented in open session before the Board, but the president may apportion available time among those who wish to speak. For additional information, call (916) 263-2389.

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