

# GUAM BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

## Regular Board Minutes

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 4:00 p.m.  
Guam Memorial Hospital Board Room  
850 Gov. Carlos Camacho Road  
Tamuning, Guam

Members Present: Nathaniel Berg, MD Chairperson  
Joan Gill, MD Vice Chair  
Kia Rahmani, MD Member  
Aurelio Espinola, MD Member  
Vincent Duenas, MD Member

Absent: Rey Lim, MD Member  
Philip Flores, Public Member  
Shannon Taitano, Legal Counsel

Others Present: Roy Adonay, GRC; Tanya Grant, Georgey Easow, MD; Marlene Carbullido, HPLO Administrator; Myrna Leon Guerrero, HPLO Secretary

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Guam Board of Medical Examiners Chairperson, Nathaniel Berg, MD called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm on March 14, 2018 at Guam Memorial Hospital Board Room.

### II. PUBLICATION NOTICE - Confirmed by Myrna Leon Guerrero, HPLO Board Secretary

### III. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT – Confirmed Quorum

### IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

***Dr. Joan Gill, move to approve the February 14, 2018 minutes; seconded by Vincent Duenas; all in favor, motion carried.***

### V. CHAIRPERSONS' REPORT:

### VI. OLD BUSINESS:

#### 1. Website Online application – ongoing

- a. Teleconference with FSMB was held last month regarding website issues. In attendance was Dr. Berg, Marlene Carbullido, acting Administrator, HPLO with other states Alaska, Hawaii, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Samoa and CNMI. A meeting conference will be setup by Jerry Landau (liaison for Guam) along with the different individual liaison for the smaller and remote boards in Charlotte, NC to conduct reviews and discuss problem issues along with the website.

#### 2. CO-17-03 – Pending report from Dr. Felix Cabrera (GRMC). Have not heard any further information or complaints.

Dr. Berg, stated that Dr. Bellis's (Psychiatrist) evaluation report saw no problems at least of the time being under the provision that he will not work extended long hours. Dr. Easow, as a provider, has acknowledged working long hours was a problem but has not heard a single complaint regarding any patient care issues. He also stated that the only thing missing were the other two evaluations. Dr. Berg was inclined to allow Dr. Easow to work under the provision as directed by Dr. Bellis and suggest for a period of six months, then be reevaluated for whomever he is working with without any restrictions.

Dr. Gill asked Dr. Easow to explain the evaluation report from Dr. Carlos, since no report has been submitted. He mentioned that Dr. Carlos had cleared him for neurologic or memory problems. The computer test that he took had a lot of questions with certain things you had to remember. He admitted not being able to remember everything correctly. Verbally, he and Dr. Carlos did well. The test he took is called neuro trac test. Dr. Gill stated that Dr. Bellis found no psychiatric issue.

Dr. Rahmani volunteered for Dr. Easow to touch base with him on a monthly basis for a period of six months when he's employed and licensed. Dr. Easow orally stated that he's offered a part-time job with American Medical Center and also applying at IHP Medical.

3. Renewal Application – Georgey Easow – *Joan Gill, reviewed and recommended approval.*
4. CO-17-04 - Pending submission (Dr. Powell) of written signed consent for release of information from the patients.
5. CO-17-06 – Pending final report (VA). Dr. Berg made a courtesy call to Dee Fisher (IHP) to follow-up on Dr. Lee and stated that she's doing much better.
6. CO-18-01 – No Violations, for Dr. Safa and Dr. Mary Grace Santos - case closed
7. CO-18-02 – Does not fall under the jurisdiction of the Guam Board of Medical Examiners - case closed
8. CO-18-03 – follow-up request for response from Dr. Arkless
9. Nyame, Verrad – TABLED
  - a. Need clarification & information on San Juan Regional Medical Center if there's any subsequent action report of his indefinite restrictions & limitation.
  - b. Request from the New Mexico Medical Board if there's any report that was not reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank.
10. Craig Settle - submitted remaining CME's – *Dr. Berg, reviewed and recommended approval.*
11. Yoo, Jeena – submitted explanation of 5 years gab – *Dr. Berg, reviewed and recommended approval.*

## VII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Collaborative Practice Agreement- Physician Assistant (signature and approval):
  - a. Tiffany J. Troxel – Supervisor - Dr. Luis Cruz, MD
  - b. Jason Ochoa – Supervisor – Dr. Ian Richardson, MD
  - c. Henya Ring – Supervisor – Dr. Jitka Lom, MD*Dr. Nathaniel Berg, reviewed and recommended approval.*

2. Dr. George P. Macris – NPDB Report September 29, 2008 – Board will take no action.
3. LIMITED LICENSE:
  - a. Beihl, Deborah – *Dr. Aurelio Espinola, reviewed and recommended approval.*
4. TEMPORARY LICENSE:
  - a. Chalom, Rene – *Dr. Aurelio Espinola, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - b. Trinh, Tien – *Dr. Aurelio Espinola, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - c. Vu, Lan – *Dr. Aurelio Espinola, reviewed and recommended approval.*
5. FULL LICENSE:
  - a. Evans, Edward – *Dr. Kia Rahmani, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - b. Helm, Joseph – *Dr. Vincent Duenas, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - c. Im, Albert – *Dr. Vincent Duenas, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - d. Navarro, Romel – *Dr. Kia Rahmani, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - e. Rosado-Morales, Jose – *Dr. Kia Rahmani, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - f. Ross, Elliot – *Dr. Nathaniel Berg, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - g. Russell, Eric – *Dr. Joan Gill, reviewed and recommended approval.*
  - h. Shafransky, Dore – *Dr. Joan Gill, reviewed and recommended approval.*
6. RENEWAL LICENSE:
  - a. Sydney Welt – *Dr. Joan Gill, reviewed and recommended approval.*

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS:

Dr. Joan Gill is requesting GRMC Medical Director or designee to attend GBME board meeting due to the law of The Medical Practice Act.

**DISCUSSION / RECOMMENDATION / CONCLUSION:**

1. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to approve*** CO-17-03 - Dr. Easow - Proposal to grant him his full medical license with provision that he will meet on a monthly basis with Dr. Rahmani; that he will limit his practice to normal daytime practice hours without weekends as suggested by Dr. Bellis, and until such time that Dr. Rahmani in conjunction with the board, states otherwise. His renewal of full license will be renewed with these conditions; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill; all in favor, motion carried.*

2. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to approve no violation*** of the Guam Medical Practice Act - CO-18-01 – Dr. Mary Grace Santos; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill; all in favor, motion carried.*
3. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to send an email reminder*** for response CO-18-03 – Dr. Arkless; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill; all in favor, motion carried.*
4. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to approve*** Craig Settle's full application with updated CME's; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill, all in favor, motion carried.*
5. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to approve*** Jeena Yoo's full application, she provided explanation of the 5 years gab; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill, all in favor, motion carried.*
6. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to sign the Collaborative Practice Agreement*** for Tiffany Troxel; Jason Ochoa; Henya Ring; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill; all in favor, motion carried.*
7. ***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to take no action*** for Dr. George Macris's NPDB report; *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill; all in favor, motion carried.*

***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, made a motion to approve*** all applications (Limited, Temporary, Full and Renewal); *seconded by Dr. Joan Gill; all in favor, motion carried.*

8. Next Regular Schedule Meeting – Wednesday April 11, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the GMHA Board Room.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

***Dr. Nathaniel Berg, move to adjourn the meeting;*** *seconded by Dr. Gill; all in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:03 pm.*