



**Virginia Board of Psychology  
Regulatory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Monday, October 23, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.  
9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233  
Training Room 2**

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Aliya Chapman, Ph.D., LCP

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
PRESENT:** J.D. Ball, Ph.D., LCP  
William Hathaway, Ph.D., LCP  
Christine Payne, BSN, MBA  
Gary Sibcy, Ph.D., LCP

**OTHER BOARD MEMBERS  
PRESENT:** Susan Brown Wallace, Ph.D., LCP, LSP

**ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS:** Kathryn Zeanah, Ph.D., LCP, LSP

**BOARD STAFF PRESENT:** Jaime Hoyle, Executive Director  
Jennifer Lang, Deputy Executive Director  
Charlotte Lenart, Deputy Executive Director

**DHP STAFF PRESENT:** Erin Barrett, Director of Legislative Affairs and Policy, DHP  
James Jenkins, Deputy Director, DHP  
Matt Novak, Policy and Economic Analyst, DHP

**CALL TO ORDER:** Dr. Chapman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** Ms. Hoyle read the mission statement of the Department of Health Professions and the emergency egress procedures.

**ESTABLISHMENT  
OF A QUORUM:** With five members in attendance, in-person, a quorum was established.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes from the May 22, 2023, Regulatory Committee meeting were adopted as presented.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** The agenda was adopted as presented.

**PUBLIC ATTENDEES:** Denise Daly Konrad, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Policy, Virginia Health Care Foundation  
Leslie Stelljes Nanson, Clinical Psychologist  
Trevor Moncure, Government and Political Relations Coordinator, Commonwealth Strategy Group

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No public comment

**CHAIR REPORT:**

Nothing to report.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Continued discussion regarding master's level psychologist:**

Ms. Barnett indicated the Agency will not be initiating a bill this term for a master's level psychologist license, but the Committee is meeting to discuss the title, scope of practice, education requirements, pathway to independent practice and any other information that will need to be included in potential legislation. Ms. Barnett suggested that the legislation be drafted as emergency regulations so that the Board and the Administration have deadlines.

Ms. Chapman indicated that American Psychological Association (APA) is coming out this spring with model of practice and education requirements for master level licensure. In addition to what was provided in the agenda, the Board will need to consider the requirements for supervisors, number of supervised hours, examination cutoff score and representation on the Board.

**Title:**

National psychology organizations and Virginia Academy of Clinical Psychologist (VACP) have received feedback from their members that the master's level license should not include the word psychologist in the title as it might be misleading to the public. The title psychological practitioner has been suggested.

**Motion:** Dr. Ball made a motion, which Ms. Payne properly seconded, to recommend to the full Board to use the term Psychological Practitioner for the master's level license. The motion passed unanimously.

**Scope of Practice:**

Dr. Ball indicated at the VACP meeting there was concern that the master's level practitioners would not have the training and ability to complete assessments and interventions. The Board discussed that all practitioners must practice within their education and training as outlined in the regulations.

*The Committee took a break at 11:51am and resumed at 12:07pm.*

**Supervision Requirements:** The Committee discussed the need for a minimum of one year of post degree supervision with 2,000 hours of supervised practice. Additionally, the supervisor will need to be a Licensed Clinical Psychologists and the Board may want to allow for master's level licensees to supervise their own license type in the future.


**Examination Requirements:**

The Committee stated that they would like for the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) to allow graduate students to take the first portion of the EPPP during the graduate program. Additionally, the second part of the EPPP should be taken during or after they have completed their supervised experience. The Committee suggested that the Board defer to ASPPB for the recommended examination cutoffs.

Ms. Barrett will draft proposed legislation language for the midlevel license to be discussed at the next meeting. Once the Board has agreed on the proposed language, the Agency will provide the information to the Governor's Office.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** The next Regulatory Committee meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2023.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Dr. Chapman adjourned the meeting at 1:27 p.m.

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Aliya Chapman, Ph.D., Chair Chairperson

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Jaime Hoyle, JD, Executive Director

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