# NEW MEXICO MEDICAL BOARD Interim Board Meeting June 18, 2025

#### **MINUTES**

#### MEETING MADE PUBLIC VIA ZOOM AND TELECONFERENCE

## Wednesday, June 18, 2025

Video Conferencing: Karen Carson, MD, Chair

Eileen Barrett, MD

Jeannine Daniels, Public Member Kathy Johnson, PA, Vice Chair Angela Medrano, Public Member

Michael Richards, MD

Paul Roth, MD Kristin Reidy, DO

Bradley Scoggins, DO, Secretary Treasurer

Mark Unverzagt, MD

Others Present: Monique Parks, Interim Executive Director

Natalie Padilla, Compliance Coordinator Elishia Lucero, Compliance Supervisor

David Dominguez, Investigator

Marcus Erikson, Investigations Supervisor

Renee Eastty, Investigator

Dr. William Brady, Medical Director Lusan Leyba, Chief Financial Officer Tom Banner, NMMB Contract Attorney David Foster, NMMB Contract Attorney Margaret McLean, NMMB Contract Attorney

Dr. Harry Romel, LFC Analyst Jay Binder, Orthopedic Surgeon

Dr. Aman Patel, MD, Member of Public

# 1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Dr. Carson, after establishing the presence of a quorum, called the **June 18, 2025** Interim Board Meeting of the New Mexico Medical Board to order at 4:08 pm, roll call was completed.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION** was made by Dr. Carson to approve the agenda. **SECONDED**, Jeannine Daniels. **YES**, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED**: Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED**.

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOTION** was made by Jeannine Daniels to approve the minutes from May 1-2, 2025, Board Meeting. **SECONDED**, Dr. Barrett. **YES**, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED**: Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED**.

**MOTION** was made by Dr. Carson to approve the minutes from June 5, 2025, Special Board Meeting. **SECONDED**, PA Johnson. **YES**, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, PA Johnson, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **RECUSED**: Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano. **MOTION CARRIED**.

## 4. REPORTS

# a. Executive Director

i. MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to go into Executive Session pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H) (2) of the Open Meetings Act, Sections 10-15-1 to 10-15-4, the NM Medical Board may close portions of its meeting to discuss limited personnel issues. The term "limited personnel matters" means the discussion of hiring, promotion, demotion, dismissal, assignment or resignation of or the investigation or consideration of complaints or charges against any individual public employee. All final actions concerning any particular license will be made in an open meeting." SECONDED, PA Johnson. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. EXCUSED: Ms. Daniels. MOTION CARRIED.

# b. **Board Chair**

- i. Dr. Carson moved the meeting back into Open Session.
- ii. Dr. Carson then spoke on the Complaint Algorithm. She updated the Board on what the Algorithm will be used for and how it will benefit the Board and NMMB staff in stratification for processing complaints. Dr. Roth then addressed topics and gave clarification and more information on what the goals are for the Complaint Algorithm, in remaining consistent and categorizing complaints coming into NMMB.
- iii. MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the Complaint Algorithm. SECONDED, PA Johnson. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. EXCUSED: Ms. Daniels. MOTION CARRIED.

## c. Medical Director

i. Dr. Brady spoke on policy updates that were made to the IV Policy, AI Policy, Cannabis use by Licensee Policy, Self-Prescribing Policy and the Ketamine Policy and provided the Board with additional information on what specific changes were made to each policy and explained the substance within each policy remained basically the same as the previous policies. After several questions from the Board, Dr. Carson made a suggestion to table the approval of each policy for a later date to give the

- Board more time to review and make suggestions. A decision was made to form a committee to review changes from the existing policies and the updated versions.
- ii. MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to table the approval of the IV Policy, AI Policy, Cannabis Use by Licensee Policy, Self-Prescribing Policy and the Ketamine Policy. SECONDED, Dr. Barrett. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.

#### d. Finance

- i. NMMB's Chief Financial Officer, Lusan Leyba gave a report to the Board on the NMMB amended budget amount. She noted that NMMB was previously given an incorrect budget amount for FY26 from the New Mexico Department of Finance (DFA) and shared with the Board where the changes were within the updated amount.
  - Amended FY26 Operating Budget which is now \$3,591.600
  - Budget was reduced by 27,000.00
  - \$3,618.600.00 Approved last board meeting
- ii. MOTION was made by PA Johnson to approve the updated FY26 NMMB Budget. SECONDED, Dr. Reidy. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.
- iii. Dr. Harry Romel introduced himself to the Board and NMMB Staff. He spoke to the Board about his background and shared information on what his role will be with NMMB as an LFC analyst. He noted that his main focuses are going to be agency analysis, budget review and looking at healthcare workforce and answered specific questions from Board members.

**MOTION** was made by Dr. Carson to go into Executive Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H) (1) of the Open Meetings Act, Sections 10-15-1 to 10-15-4, the NM Medical Board may close portions of its meeting to discuss matters pertaining to a particular license, such as the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license. All final actions concerning any particular license will be made in an open meeting. **SECONDED**, Dr. Barrett. **YES**, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **MOTION CARRIED**.

# 5. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dr. Carson moved the meeting back into Open Session.

#### **Committee A:**

**Recommendation** was made by Dr. Carson to close the following cases with approval of full licenses without restriction. **Case# NMMB-20250209, NMMB-20250210, NMMB-20250211, NMMB-20250213, NMMB-20250215. YES,** Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Roth. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

**Recommendation** was made by Dr. Carson to table the following case and return to Investigations for further information. **Case# 2025-0214. YES,** Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Roth. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

### 6. <u>Licensing Requests and Actions, New Applicants/Reinstatements</u>

IMO: Aman Patel, MD - Case No. 2025-004- Review and Decision of the Hearing Officer's Report

• Dr. Patel and David Foster, NMMB Contract Attorney were both given ten minutes to speak on behalf of Dr. Patel's open prosecution case.

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SECONDED, Dr. Barrett. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.

Dr. Carson moved the meeting back into open session.

- In the matter of Dr. Aman Patel Case# 2025-004
   MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to accept the Hearing Officer Report. SECONDED, Dr. Roth. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.
- In the matter of Dr. Aman Patel Case# 2025-004
  MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to accept the Hearing Officer's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law which include that the respondent engaged and violations of Sections 61-6-15(D)(14), 61-6-15(D)(19), 61-6-15(D)(21), 61-6-15(D)(29) and 61-6-15(D)(36). SECONDED, Dr. Roth. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.
- In the matter of Dr. Aman Patel Case# 2025-004
   MOTION was made by Dr. Barrett to Revoke License Dr. Patel's license in New Mexico.
   SECONDED, Dr. Roth. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms.
   Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION
   CARRIED.

**IMO:** Gregory Roth, MD -Case No. 2024-004- Review and Decision on Motion for Entry of Default Order

• MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to go into Executive Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H) (1) of the Open Meetings Act, Sections 10-15-1 to 10-15-4, the NM Medical Board may close portions of its meeting to discuss matters pertaining to a particular license, such as the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license. All final actions concerning any particular license will be made in an open meeting. SECONDED, Dr. Barrett. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.

Dr. Carson moved the Meeting back into open session.

In the matter of Dr. Gregory Roth Case# 2024-004
 MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to Grant the Motion for Entry of Default Order Revoking Dr. Roth's License in New Mexico. SECONDED, Dr. Barrett. YES, Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, PA Johnson, Ms. Medrano, Dr. Reidy, Dr. Richards, Dr. Roth, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. MOTION CARRIED.

NMMB's Interim Executive Director, Monique Parks informed the Board of the two new hires that joined the NMMB team and let the Board know about the Staff Appreciation barbeque. Dr. Carson followed up with more information on the Board Retreat and let the Board know about an upcoming presentation at the next legislative Health and Human Services Committee.

# 7. Meeting Adjourned

There being no further business before the Board, Dr. Carson adjourned the meeting at 4:37 pm.

SUBMITTED BY: Dates	DATE: _	8/21/2025	
Monique Parks, Interim Executive Director			
APPROVED BY: Waren Carson Turb	DATE: _	8/21/2025	
Karen Carson, M.D., Chair			
APPROVED BY:	DATE:	8/21/2025	
Bradley Scoggins, D.O., Secretary Treasurer			