



New Mexico Medical Board
Interim Board Meeting
April 1, 2026

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Video Conferencing: Karen Carson, MD, Chair
Eileen Barrett, MD
Jeannine Daniels, Public Member
Angela Medrano, Public Member
Laura Onorato, PA
Michael Richards, MD
Bradley Scoggins, DO, Secretary Treasurer
Mark Unverzagt, MD, Vice Chair
David Foster, Esq., Contract Attorney
Tom Banner, Esq., Contract General Counsel
Ken Moskow, Esq., Attorney on behalf of Jennifer McCain, D.O.
Jennifer McCain, D.O.
Douglas Allsup, Esq. Assistant Attorney General, DOJ

Absent: Kristin Reidy, DO

Excused: Paul Roth, MD

Others Present: Monique Parks, Interim Executive Director
Elishia Lucero, Compliance Supervisor
Natalie Padilla, Compliance Coordinator
Marta Beltran Del Rio, Investigations Supervisor
Christiana Griego, Investigator
Jacqueline Edwards, Investigator
Philip Shields, MD, NMMB Medical Director
Daniel Holmes, NMMB Board Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Dr. Carson, after establishing the presence of a quorum, called the April 1, 2026, Interim Board Meeting of the New Mexico Medical Board to order at 4:00 p.m., roll call was completed.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the agenda for the April 1, 2026, Interim Board Meeting. **SECONDED:** Ms. Daniels. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Unverzagt. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the minutes from February 5-6, 2026, Board Meeting with the following changes:

- Page 9 – Legislative Update (SB1): Revise the date from 2/5/226 to 2/5/2026.
- Page 4 – Case No. NMMB-20240193: Amend the ending quotation to read: “initiation and discontinuation of care.”

SECONDED: Dr. Scoggins. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Unverzagt. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **RECUSED:** Ms. Daniels.

MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: LICENSING REQUESTS AND ACTIONS, NEW APPLICANTS/ REINSTATEMENTS/ COMPLIANCE

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 New Mexico 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. Scoggins. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Unverzagt. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **MOTION CARRIED.**

OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session. Dr. Carson stated for the record that the matters discussed in executive session were limited only to those specified in the motion for closure.

4. LICENSING REQUESTS AND ACTIONS, NEW APPLICANTS/ REINSTATEMENTS/ COMPLIANCE

Jennifer McCain, DO - Request for Release from Stipulation Order for Inactivation of License while under Investigation.

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to allow the Interim Stipulated Order for Inactivation of License to Stand. The Licensee has not complied with the Board’s August 2025 Order requiring successful completion of the requirements outlined in the order. If the licensee does not comply the Board may take further action. **SECONDED:** Dr. Scoggins. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Unverzagt. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Marjenhoff v. New Mexico Board of Medicine - Possible settlement of D-132-CV-2021-01101.

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to agree to the settlement agreement that was presented to the Board by Douglas Allsup, Esq., Assistant Attorney General for the Department of Justice (DOJ). **SECONDED:** Dr. Scoggins. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards, Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Unverzagt. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **MOTION CARRIED.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORTS

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5. COMPLAINT COMMITTEE ACTIONS RELATED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Committee EC

Case# NMMB-20240437 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins to offer physician a Stipulated Order requiring the successful completion of the PACE program within six months. If physician does not accept offer, a Notice of Contemplated Action will be issued based on, but not limited to, incompetency to practice and repeated negligent act. **YES:** Ms. Daniels, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case# NMMB-20260064 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins to offer the physician applicant the chance to withdraw his application while under investigation. If physician applicant does not accept offer, a Notice of Contemplated Action will be issued to deny licensure based on, but not limited to, adverse licensure action in another state, conduct unbecoming, and interactions with others that could reasonably affect patient care. **YES:** Ms. Daniels, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case# NMMB-20260066 Recommendation was made by Dr. Scoggins to offer the physician applicant the chance to withdraw his application while under investigation. If physician applicant does not accept offer, a Notice of Contemplated Action will be issued to deny licensure based on, but not limited to, adverse licensure action in another state, conduct unbecoming. **YES:** Ms. Daniels, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Richards. **RECUSED:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Scoggins, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Committee E

Recommendation was made by Dr. Unverzagt to close the following case with no action: **NMMB-20240176. YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Scoggins **RECUSED:** Dr. Richards, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Case# NMMB-20250369 Recommendation was made by Dr. Richards to offer physician a stipulated order for inactivation of license while under investigation within 48 hours. If physician does not accept, a Notice of Summary Suspension and a Notice of Contemplated Action will be issued based on, but not limited to the following violations of 61-6-15 (D)NMSA:

- (7) Habitual or excessive use of intoxicants or drugs.
- (15) Use of a false, fraudulent, or deceptive statement in a document connected with the practice of a licensee, specifically, fraud or misrepresentation in the 2025 renewal application (failure to disclose termination from employment; see PPQ #5).
- (19) repeated similar negligent acts or a pattern of conduct.
- (21) failure to report to the board any adverse action taken against the licensee by a health care entity.
- (23) Failure to furnish the board, its investigators, or representatives with information requested by the board.
- (26) Injudicious prescribing, administering, or dispensing of a drug or medicine to oneself or others.
- (33) Improper management of medical records, including failure to maintain timely, accurate, legible, and complete records.
- (36) Conduct or interactions with physicians, hospital personnel, patients, family members, or others that interfere with patient care or could reasonably be expected to adversely impact the quality of care rendered and;

Failure to report adverse action pursuant to 16.10.10.13 NMAC and other violations of the Medical Practice Act that may be identified in related matters. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Richards, Dr. Unverzagt.

EXCUSED: Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: REPORTS – BOARD CHAIR AND BOARD ATTORNEY

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.

AND

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H)(7) of the Open Meetings Act, Sections 10-15-1 to 10-15-4, the NM Medical Board may close portions of its meeting subject to the attorney-client privilege pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant, or when the Board wants to consult with its attorney about a lawsuit the Board has initiated or is considering initiating, or when the Board wants to consult with its attorney about actual legal disputes that have not yet reached the courts." See Board of County Commissioners, Luna County v. Ogden, 1994-NMCA-010, ¶ 15, 117 N.M. 181, 185, 870. **SECONDED:** Dr. Scoggins. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Richards, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. REPORTS - [Portions may be closed**]

Board Attorney

- a) Personnel Update - Matters discussed in Executive Session

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Board Chair

Dr. Carson, Board Chair, provided the following updates to the Board.

Budget Update:

Dr. Carson stated that she and Ms. Medrano met with Lusan Leyba, CFO and Interim Executive Director, Ms. Parks to review the current budget. The Board is on track to meet budget expectations and anticipates a surplus at the end of the fiscal year. Work has begun on the upcoming budget, which will be presented for review in May.

Consultant Update:

Dr. Carson informed the Board that an offer has been extended to a management consultant, and contract negotiations are in progress. The position is expected to be included in the current and upcoming fiscal year budgets. The anticipated start date is within the next few weeks, pending finalization of the contract.

IMLC / Rules Committee:

Dr. Carson discussed the need to begin drafting rules for participation in the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (IMLC). A rules committee is needed. Dr. Carson stated that she is currently the only one who has volunteered. After discussion, Dr. Scoggins and Dr. Barrett volunteered for the rules committee. Ms. Parks informed the Board that an internal staff committee has been meeting regularly and has started the process, the hope is that staff will have completed most of the heavy lifting.

Strategic Plan:

Dr. Carson provided a quick update on the Strategic plan and upcoming goals. She stated that the strategic plan was developed by Dr. Roth and Kathy. Minor updates were made to reflect changes in timelines, including adjustments related to telemedicine. The plan is intended as a flexible roadmap and will be reviewed periodically to track progress. The Board took a moment to discuss the Strategic plan. Dr Carson stated that the plan may be updated as needed and accordingly and encouraged the Board to review it.

Committee Assignments:

Dr. Carson stated that the Board will reassign committee memberships at the May meeting. Members were asked to consider their interest in specific committees. Upcoming work will include legislative initiatives, including PA practice parameters, foreign-trained physicians, and the telemedicine registry.

New Business

Vote for Rule Hearing for proposed language to be added to NMAC 16.10.2.10 and NMAC 16.10.4.8.

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the language for a rule hearing on 16.10.4.8 with adding that the effective date for the required will be July 1, 2026. The rule will read:

C. Effective July 1, 2026, the Board will require one hour of required CME must be earned directed toward nutrition. The one hour of CME earned toward nutrition may apply toward the 75 hours required in Subsection A of this section and may be included as part of the required CME hours as set forth in Subsections A and B of 16.10.14.11 NMAC.

And

F. The Board may determine the type and or content of continuing medical education required for license renewal. The Board may, by a majority vote, modify such requirements as necessary to address evolving standards of medical practice, and public health needs.

SECONDED: Dr. Barrett. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Richards, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION was made by Dr. Carson to approve the language for a rule hearing on 16.10.2.10 with adding the word “active” before “medical license”. The rule will read:

F. Accepted applications for expedited licensure: The NMMB will accept an application for expedited licensure from any individual who holds an active medical license in all 50 states of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and all other territories or dependencies of the United States. The NMMB will also accept an application for expedited licensure from individuals licensed to practice medicine in Canada, provided they meet the requirements outlined in 16.10.2.10 NMAC. Licensees from all other foreign countries are not eligible for expedited licensure, as their accreditation standards have not been verified as equivalent to those of the United States.

SECONDED: Dr. Unverzagt. **YES:** Dr. Carson, Dr. Barrett, Ms. Daniels, Ms. Medrano, PA Onorato, Dr. Scoggins. **RECUSED:** Dr. Richards, Dr. Unverzagt. **EXCUSED:** Dr. Roth. **ABSENT:** Dr. Reidy. **MOTION CARRIED.**

7. **MEETING ADJOURNED**

There being no further business before the Board, Dr. Carson adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY: _____ DATE: _____

Monique Parks, Interim Executive Director

APPROVED BY: _____ DATE: _____

Karen Carson, M.D., Chair

APPROVED BY: _____ DATE: _____

Bradley Scoggins, D.O., Secretary Treasurer