

AGENDA

STATE OF CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTROLOGISTS

Wednesday, September 17, 2008
9:30 AM

Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut
Second Floor, Conference Room "E"

Call to Order

I. Minutes

Review and approve minutes of the May 21, 2008 meeting.

II. Quarterly Reports

- A. Examinations Update - *Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Examination Analyst II*
- B. Investigations Update - *Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor*

III. Old Business

- A. Continuing Education
- B. Practical Examination - clients with metal implants

IV. New Business

Practical Examination Protocols

V. Adjournment

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board

The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on May 21, 2008, at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room 2C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Arlene Romajas, LPN, CPE.
Lina Haralambous, B.S., CPE.
Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Tatiana D. Eirmann, Esq.

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health
Stephen Carragher, Health Program Supervisor, DPH
Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Examination Analyst II, DPH
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH
Jeffrey Kardys, Administrative Hearings Specialist/Board Liaison
Lynn Brandner
Darlene Burnett
Donna Crump
Marta Cuminoto

The meeting commenced at 9:45 a.m.

I. Minutes – February 6, 2008

The board reviewed the minutes from the February 6, 2008 meeting. The following edits were made:

- Changes to the date of the meeting and to members present.
- Section I regarding the taking of minutes to be stricken.
- Section V, the reference to Arlene Najam to be stricken.
- Section VI, the following is to be added, “the list of examiners be limited to 10-12 people.”

The minutes were approved as edited. Ms. Romajas and Ms. Lloyd voted in favor of all changes. Ms. Haralambous was opposed to the changes in Sections I and V.

II. Examinations update

Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Examination Analyst, DPH reported that two individuals took the written examination. Results are pending.

Three candidates signed up to take the practical examination, however, only two actually took the exam. Both passed.

III. Investigations update

Gary Griffin, reported there are no current investigations at this time

IV. Continuing Education

Ms. Haralambous initiated the discussion regarding continuing education. Ms. Romajas and Ms. Lloyd asked that discussion be tabled until the next meeting. Ms. Haralambous disagreed and quoted Robert's Rules and discussion took place.

Ms. Haralambous asked for an executive session. Department of Public Health staff reminded the Board regarding the criteria for an executive session and that this topic need to be discussed in open session.

Ms. Haralambous stated that decisions need to be made regarding contact hours and the approval of CEU's. She explained that she took a two hour course in blood borne pathogens but wasn't able to get approval by the American Electrologist Association (AEA). Ms. Haralambous felt she had followed the correct procedures by sending the AEA the course outline and the certificate of completion. Ms. Haralambous also indicated that CEU's regarding laser technology should be considered and mentioned that an international organization to overlook and approve continuing education should also be considered.

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health explained the process for regulatory changes.

The current regulations will be provided to the Board members. Suggestions for proposed changes will discussed at the next meeting.

V. Additional business

Mr. Kardys reported that the Governor's Office is searching for someone to fill the vacant physician member position on the Board.

Ms. Romajs made a motion seconded by Ms. Haralambous to add discussion of the practical examination to the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the issue of using clients with metal implants during the practical examination. Galvanic current should not be used on these individuals as it posses a risk. Ms. Filippone will research this issue and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Ms. Filippone mentioned that a protocol needs to be developed to address problems that may arise during a practical examination. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 am.