



**Board of Allied Mental Health Practitioners**  
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE  
VERMONT BOARD OF ALLIED MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS  
October 20, 2022 – REMOTE MEETING

Board Members Present: Tammy Austin, Marjorie Trombly, Lynn Irwin, Christopher Berry, and Lisa Elowson

Board Members Absent: Carol Smith

Office Staff Present: Lauren Layman and Diane Lafaille

1. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.
2. **Minutes** Mr. Irwin moved, seconded by Ms. Trombly, to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2022 meeting. Approved. Ms. Elowson abstained from voting.
3. The Board added the following items to its agenda:  
  
Legislative update  
Discussion on Administrative Rule 4.10(d) and 4.11
4. **Other**
  - a. Act 107, Telehealth Licenses and Registration – Attorney Layman provided the Board with an overview of Act 107 and presented draft rules for Clinical Mental Health Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists who are licensed out-of-state and are seeking Vermont telehealth licenses and registrations. Feedback was provided and the board expressed no concerns with the draft rules. Attorney Layman stated that comments could be submitted to her until October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
  - b. Antioch MFT Memorandum of Understanding – The Board declined to take action on this. It advises Antioch to seek other means of accreditation for the DMT-MFT program.
  - c. The Board discussed the Counseling Compact. The Board needs additional information on how the Compact is handling variations in state law and taking adverse action. Once this information is received, the Board will revisit this.
  - d. The Board reviewed Administrative Rule 4.10(d) and 4.11 and interpreted the Rule to read that one must have a 500-hour internship within their degree conferred (Rule 4.11). If any of the 500 hours are not *direct* service hours, it would be required that those hours that are not direct service hours, be made up

during post-degree supervised practice (Rule 4.10(d)).

- e. Attorney Layman provide the Board with a Legislative update.

## 5. **Applications**

- a. Cruz Sanchez, Jacqueline – MFT Endorsement from New Hampshire – The Board found that the standards and qualifications for licensure in New Hampshire are not substantially equivalent to Vermont's standards and qualifications for licensure because New Hampshire's educational requirements are not substantially equivalent to those of Vermont. Ms. Cruz Sanchez may apply for licensure on the basis of examination.
- b. Gelfant, Alan – Revised Reports of Supervision forms need to be completed and submitted to the Board.
- c. Horton, Maria – The Board reviewed her education. Ms. Horton requested that the Board review her education and advise her on what courses would be required for her to be eligible for licensure as a clinical mental health counselor. The Board determined that the institution that Ms. Horton wishes to attend would need to determine what it will or will not accept from her completed degrees to be transferred into a new degree program. The Board will then review the completed degree to determine whether Ms. Horton is eligible for licensure as a clinical mental health counselor. The Board is not able to determine what an institution will or will not accept for transfer credits to meet its educational requirements to obtain a clinical mental health counseling degree.

## 6. Continuing Education

- a. ICE – 147601 – First Play – Mr. Irwin moved, seconded by Mr. Berry, to approve this course. Approved.
- b. ICE – 165704 – Treatment of Complex Development Trauma ... - Additional information is needed.
- c. ICE 171572 – The Psychedelic-Assisted Therapy Training – Ms. Trombly moved, seconded by Mr. Berry, to approve this course. Approved by a 3-1 vote with Mr. Irwin voting in opposition.
- d. ICE 176574 – The Corona Virus Disease Pandemic – Mr. Irwin moved, seconded by Mr. Berry, to deny this request as it does not meet the requirements of Administrative Rule 3.34 (a)(2). Approved.

## 7. Public Comment - None

8. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

9. The Board adjourned at 1:50 p.m.