

Texas State Board of Examiners of Marriage and Family Therapists

BOARD MEETING BY VIDEOCONFERENCE

Friday, August 14, 2020, 8:30 a.m.
333 Guadalupe, Suite 2-450E
Austin, Texas 78701

Due to Governor Greg Abbott's March 13, 2020, proclamation of a state of disaster affecting all counties in Texas due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and the Governor's March 16, 2020, suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, this Board meeting will be held by videoconference.

Members of the public will have access and a means to participate in this Board meeting with two-way communication by entering the URL address <https://zoom.us/j/99289485419> or by calling 346-248-7799 and entering the meeting ID 992 8948 5419. An electronic copy of the agenda will be available at https://dshs.texas.gov/mft/mft_meetings.shtm before the meeting.

FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS: After the Board meeting convenes, staff will ask you identify yourself by name and state whether you would like to provide public comment. When the Board reaches the agenda item for public comment, staff will recognize you by name and give you an opportunity to speak. All public comments will be limited to three minutes. In the event Governor Greg Abbott's March 13, 2020, disaster declaration is not renewed or expires prior to August 14, 2020, then pursuant to Texas Government Code, §551.127, notice is hereby given that one or more Board members may appear at the scheduled meeting via videoconference, but the presiding officer will be physically present at the above-noticed location. This location will be open to the public only in the event the March 13 disaster declaration is not renewed.

Please note that the Board may request input during the meeting from any interested parties or members of the public during its discussion of an agenda item.

If you are planning to attend this meeting and need auxiliary aids, services or materials in an alternate format, please contact the Board at least 5 working days before the meeting date. Phone: (512) 305-7700, FAX: (512) 305-7701, E-MAIL: Executive.Director@tsbep.texas.gov, TTY/RELAY TEXAS: 711 or 1-800-RELAY TX.

The Board may go into Executive Session to deliberate any item listed on this agenda if authorized under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

The Board may discuss and take action concerning any matter on the agenda and in a different order from what it appears herein.

AGENDA

(Smothermon, Bateman, Francis, Husband-Thompson, Merchant, Miller, Scoma, Stoglin)

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Approval of minutes of the July 24, 2020, videoconference Board meeting.
3. Discussion and possible action regarding rules:
 - A. Discussion and possible action regarding review public comments and recommendation of adoption of proposed amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 801, concerning Licensure and Regulation of Marriage and Family Therapists. The proposed amendments, repeals, and new rules as well as call for public comment were published in the July 10, 2020 issue of the *Texas Register* (45 TexReg 4661).
 - B. Discussion and possible action concerning staff-recommended amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, §801.43(b) and (g), regarding Professional Representation.
 - C. Discussion and possible action regarding staff-recommended amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, §801.53, concerning Advertising and Announcements.

- D. Discussion and possible action concerning staff-recommended amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, §801.44, regarding Relationships with Clients.
 - E. Discussion and possible action regarding staff-recommended amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, §801.142, concerning Supervised Clinical Experience Requirements and Conditions.
 - F. Discussion and possible action regarding staff-concernng amendments to Title 22 of the Texas Administrative Code, §801.204, regarding Licensing of Military Service Members, Military Veterans, and Military Spouses.
4. Discussion and possible action regarding future priorities and activities of the Board.
 5. Public Comment.
 6. Executive Session: Consultation with Board attorney pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071 regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or settlement offers.
 7. Discussion and possible action regarding pending or contemplated litigation or settlement offers.
 8. Announcements and comments not requiring committee action, such as statements regarding conferences and other recent or upcoming events.
 9. Adjournment.

Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Texas Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

Pursuant to Section 30.07, Texas Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Texas Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

Action may be taken on any of the above items. The Board reserves the right to go into executive session on any agenda item as authorized by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Agenda items may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Chair. An individual who wishes to speak on an issue that falls under the Board's jurisdiction shall be heard during the Public Comment agenda item. The Chair may establish and announce limitations on speakers, including time limits and when speakers may address the Board. The limitations, if any, may vary from meeting to meeting.

This meeting is open to the public. No reservations are required and there is no cost to attend this meeting.

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