

**Georgia Composite Medical Board  
Meeting Minutes from February 05, 2026**

The Georgia Composite Medical Board (GCMB or Board) held its regular meeting on February 05, 2026, at the Board Office to consider Board matters.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

John S. Antalis, MD  
William K. Bostock, DO  
Kathryn Cheek, MD, Chair  
Debi Dalton, MD  
Austin Flint, MD  
Judy Gardner, Consumer Member  
Alexander Gross, MD  
Charles Harris, Consumer Member  
George Harrison, MD  
Kamesha Harbison, MD  
J. Jeffrey Marshall, MD  
Matthew Norman, MD  
David Retterbush, MD  
Barby Simmons, DO

**EX-OFFICIO PA ADVISOR PRESENT:**

Ashley Griffin, PA

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Sreeni Gangasani, MD

**BOARD STAFF PRESENT:**

Latisha Bias, Compliance Manager  
Kimberly Emm, Deputy Executive Director/Legal Counsel  
David Harris, Licensure Manager  
Jason Jones, Executive Director  
Traylor Rogers, Chief of Operations  
Tarodrick Harper, Chief Financial Officer  
Cailin Van Eizenga, Paralegal

**LEGAL STAFF PRESENT:**

Michelle Sawyer, Assistant Attorney General  
Vanessa Alva, Assistant Attorney General

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Cheek called the meeting of the Georgia Composite Medical Board to order at 7:31 AM, and a quorum was established.

**AGENDA**

Dr. Marshall made a motion, seconded by Dr. Retterbush, to approve the agenda of the February 05, 2026, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

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**MINUTES**

Dr. Marshall made a motion, seconded by Dr. Antalis, to approve the minutes of the January 08, 2026, meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Dr. Cheek reminded Board members about recusal packets and took a headcount for the March 05, 2026, meeting, which will be held in-person at the Board office. A discussion regarding dissolving the Rules Committee was held but the vote was delayed until the end of the meeting to allow all members to consider the request.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Jones shared updates that were for information purposes only.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Correspondence from Susan Blank, MD, and Robin McCown with the Georgia Professional Health Program (PHP):
  - Does the Board support a PHP Internship Rotation Program, Georgia Psychiatry Residents and Addiction Medicine Fellows, open to psychiatry residents and addiction psychiatry fellows in Georgia?  
Response: Dr. Marshall made a motion, seconded by Dr. Bostock, to support the PHP Internship Rotation Program.
2. Correspondence from Susan Blank, MD, with the Georgia PHP?
  - Do physicians in Georgia have a duty to report colleagues they believe to be impaired?  
Response: Table for review of law and rules and consideration of rule promulgation. Consider if legislative change is required.

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE**

Ms. Emm presented the Board with bills that are currently moving through the legislative process that would have an impact on the Board, practice(s) regulated by the Board, or that would be of interest to the Board including:

- HB 717 - Medical Practice Act; regulation of the administration of psychedelic-assisted treatment and therapy
- HB 981 - Professions and businesses; expand certain advanced practice registered nurse and physician assistant prescriptive authorizations
- HB 1138 - Increasing Access to Contraceptives Act
- HB 1088 - Chiropractors; replace term chiropractor with chiropractic physician
- HB 1089 - Controlled substances; ivermectin as an over-the-counter medication
- HB 1273 - Professions and businesses; authorize physician assistants to receive certain delegated authorities from podiatric physicians
- HB 1295 - Physician Assistant Licensure Compact; enter into an interstate compact
- SB 427 - Physicians; limited provisional licenses and a pathway to licensure for certain internationally trained physicians
- SB 162 - Georgia Composite Medical Board; implement an automated credentialing system for healthcare providers in this state

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- SB 395 - Department of Public Health; eligible for the Low THC Oil Patient Registry; require a physician to submit certain information to the Georgia Composite Medical Board
- SB 411 - Professions and Businesses; dry needling to be performed by certain licensed professionals

**PHYSICIAN LICENSURE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Gross presented the Physician Licensure Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Marshall seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Rule Petitions Approve:**

1. Demie, Ephrem – 360-2-.02(5) – USMLE 7-Year Rule Waiver
2. Kaur, Harjeet – 360-2-.02(5) – USMLE 7-Year Rule Waiver
3. Xu, Hongmin – 360-2-.01(1)(f)(ii) – Foreign Medical Education Official Transcript

**Approve for Licensure:**

Danato, Daniel  
Dharajiya, Nilesh  
Esmaeil Pour, Mohammad  
Evenhuis, Walther  
Lembo, Nicholas  
Menachof, Michael  
Newman, Barbara  
Novello, Paul  
Palleti, Sujith  
Reid, Maurice  
Rhoades, Denis  
Ricotti, Carlos  
Siddiqui Saqib  
Wasson, Allison  
Zaklin, Ryan

**Administratively approve (institutional to full) once full application received:**

Pandav, Vivek  
Patel, Naiya

**Table:**

AP  
CS

**Interview:**

AA  
DS

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**Revisit – Approved:**

Peavey, Janica  
Slaker, Dirk – Administrative License  
Welch, Mark – Administrative License

**Deny:**

LF

**Information Only:**

RT – Application Withdrawn – Accepted

**Addendum from February 5, 2026:**

Donathan, Chelsea – Approved  
PFGM – Deny or Allow to Withdraw  
ST – Deny or Allow to Withdraw  
YN – Table

**Administratively Approved Physician Licensure Applications between January 08, 2026  
and February 04, 2026:**

<u>Name</u>	<u>License #</u>	<u>License Type</u>
Abdelrahman Abdelghani Zaied	111009	Physician
Adam Johnson	110994	Physician
Adetunji Adegboyega	TM344	Physician
Adonteng A Kwakye	110932	Physician
Ahmad Nawaf Alkhasawneh	110948	Physician
Akilan Gopal	110896	Physician
Alana Wright	TM346	Physician
Alexander S Kwok	110963	Physician
Alexis Ariel O'Connell	110965	Physician
Ali Kassem	110869	Physician
Alice June Savage	110900	Physician
Alicia Nicole Seeds	110970	Physician
Amanda Walsh	111073	Physician
Amy Grace Johnson	111095	Physician
Amy M Harrison	111060	Physician
Ana Gabriela Lopez-Rexach	110867	Physician
Andrea Omehe	110863	Physician
Andrew George Bernard Glass	110895	Physician
Andrew Harold Fowler	111054	Physician
Anita Kumari	110887	Physician
Aparna Pendurthi	111035	Physician
Arika Shaikh	111059	Physician
Arslan Zahid	110860	Physician

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Ashkan Javadzadeh	110941	Physician
Asigul Yimit	110931	Physician
Ava Youngha Jang	110982	Physician
Avinash Rayavarapu	111022	Physician
Ayesha Safdar	111094	Physician
Benjamin Christopher Ford	110923	Physician
Bethlehem Gebre	111066	Physician
Beverly Khodra	110893	Physician
Bhakti Arun Sanghani	111036	Physician
Billi S Wallace	111027	Physician
Bonnie Ann Sarrell	110934	Physician
Bruce Myron Hairston	111034	Physician
Bruhalem Faris Gichilla	110910	Physician
Buffy Ferguson Dekmar	111048	Physician
Cabrini Lariviere Sutherland	110945	Physician
Carl Michael Truesdale	110855	Physician
Carlos Botas	111008	Physician
Carolyn Marie Rubi	111041	Physician
Casey Alexander Capp	15199	Physician
Cather Marie Cala McKay	110974	Physician
Chandni Patel	110913	Physician
Chika Ikenna Nwachukwu	111007	Physician
Christina Council	110891	Physician
Christina Monaco Poloni	111071	Physician
Christine Angela Shaw	111091	Physician
Christine Lynne Cooley	110929	Physician
Christine Marie Longo	111050	Physician
Christophe Hansen-Estruch	111010	Physician
Christopher Francis Mcnicoll	TM343	Physician
Christopher Hunter Ross	111032	Physician
Cindy Hsinten Tsai	111031	Physician
Clariliz Munet-Colón	111072	Physician
Clark Hall	111069	Physician
Courtney Leigh Floyd	110987	Physician
Daniel Hubbard	111070	Physician
David Johnson Hardy	111092	Physician
David Owen Zepeda	110889	Physician
Denise Francois	111049	Physician
Dhiraj Baruah	110899	Physician
Dolly Roy	110883	Physician
Dominic Tashi Munassi	110953	Physician
Douglas D Franz	110879	Physician
Douglas James Golding	111086	Physician

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Edward Mardakhaev	110868	Physician
Edwin Emmanuel Batte	110999	Physician
Ehab Yacoub	111002	Physician
Elliot Tyler Dawson	110927	Physician
Eric Hyman Grover	110854	Physician
Eugene A. Burke	111024	Physician
Faustine Ceasor	110947	Physician
Felipe Augusto Ribeiro Batista	111033	Physician
Francisco Jose Rodriguez, Jr.	110978	Physician
Freda Denise Thompson	111058	Physician
Genevieve Eloise Moya Viamonte	111089	Physician
Genevieve McCloskey	110975	Physician
Ghassan Zora	110919	Physician
Gina Lynne Wilson	110971	Physician
Gordon Irwin Groh	111006	Physician
Grace Mary Ann Varas	110881	Physician
Grace Park	110886	Physician
Grant Robinson	110884	Physician
Grayson Keith Carter	111040	Physician
Gregory Lloyd Steinke	110870	Physician
Hammed Abidemi Ninalowo	110898	Physician
Hamza Iqbal	TM341	Physician
Hamzah Mohammad Shroof	110943	Physician
Hanna Assefa Negash	111015	Physician
Hasan Moeenaldeen D Al Sayed	110859	Physician
Hayalneh Gessesew	110990	Physician
Heather Leigh Daniels	111037	Physician
Henrik Manassarians	111005	Physician
Hesamoldin Khodadadi Chamgordani	110861	Physician
Hossein Hasanpour	111051	Physician
Howard Zihao Yan	110912	Physician
James Forrest Calland	110996	Physician
Jamie Christian HENZES	111020	Physician
Jason Martin Andrus	110922	Physician
Javier Alejandro Zorrilla Munoz	110968	Physician
Jeane Darlene Khoo	110957	Physician
Jeanne Jiyuan Feng	110935	Physician
Jenna B Smedes	111011	Physician
Jennifer Dai	111044	Physician
Jennifer Theresa Davel	110981	Physician
Jenny Nancy Guo	111084	Physician
Jenny So	111026	Physician
Jessee D Kruse	111068	Physician

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John Christen Bunyasanand	111014	Physician
John Eric Whitaker	110964	Physician
John Maurice Leahy	110954	Physician
John Thomas Cinicola	111067	Physician
Jordan Dooley	111018	Physician
Jose Antonio Acosta	110991	Physician
Joseph Aaron Gotesman	110956	Physician
Joseph Turner Vaughan	111075	Physician
Joseph Windham Walters	110908	Physician
Juanita Duran Rincon	111057	Physician
Jun Sup Kim	110940	Physician
Justin Donlan	110944	Physician
Justin Spraglin	110949	Physician
Kaitlyn Mary McBride	111042	Physician
Kamaria Laine Muraba Lee	111082	Physician
Karina Raquel Marcelo	110952	Physician
Kathleen Susan Rathbun-Duncan	110951	Physician
Kaylee Susanne Brown	110998	Physician
Kelyn Nicolas Pittman	110985	Physician
Kevin James Kawalec	111029	Physician
Kevin Joseph Carl	TM347	Physician
Ky Buu Huynh	110967	Physician
Laercio Lopes Da Silva	110856	Physician
Lara Artemis Pappas	110959	Physician
LaTonya Benitress Washington	111003	Physician
Lauren Elizabeth Reid	111080	Physician
Levi Francis Mazza	111023	Physician
Linda Akbarshahi	110955	Physician
Loveleen Bhogal	110937	Physician
Lt. Col. Michael Jason Russell	110853	Physician
Maaz Sheikh	111001	Physician
MacKenzie Lan Alexandra Wyatt	110972	Physician
Madonna Hikmet Romaya	14572	Physician
Maha Raslan Jones	111064	Physician
Mansur Abdul Ghani	110918	Physician
Marcus Daniel Gonzalez	110928	Physician
Marimar Contreras Nieves	110906	Physician
Mateus Lima	111043	Physician
Matthew Kozminski	110925	Physician
Matthew Louis Hedberg	111046	Physician
Matthew Walt Gerenz	110902	Physician
Meenal Pathak	111039	Physician
Michael Alan Mortellaro	110866	Physician

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Michael Barca	110920	Physician
Michelle Denise Miller	111052	Physician
Mira Itani	110960	Physician
Miral Munqeth Rashad Mehyar	111074	Physician
Mohamed Tantawi	110901	Physician
Mohammad Hamza Bin Abdul Malik	110979	Physician
Moses Anthony Washington	111045	Physician
Muhammad Ali Anees	110992	Physician
Muhammad Awais Ashraf	111078	Physician
Muhammed Kabiru Olanrewaju Atere	111030	Physician
Myka A'jayla Taylor	110917	Physician
Nabi Castellano Ferra	TM339	Physician
Naga Periseti	110871	Physician
Nana Bernie Mensah-Nyante	110986	Physician
Narbeh Tovmassian	TM340	Physician
Nathan Badillo	111087	Physician
Neal Nolan	110924	Physician
Nicholas Hayes Orr	110903	Physician
Nicole Neal	110942	Physician
Nikita Patil	111055	Physician
Nina-Serena Burkett	110926	Physician
Nirupama Nayudu	110984	Physician
Nishant Gogna	110872	Physician
Nita Bhat	111021	Physician
Nithin Chand Kurra	110888	Physician
Nonso S Emechebe	111017	Physician
Oluremi Oiza Oparah	110914	Physician
Oluwadamilare Olalekan Ajayi	111085	Physician
Oluwafeyikemi Oritseetsolaye Okome	111077	Physician
Oluwakemi Oluwafunmilola Osholake	110977	Physician
Oluwatoyosi Onwuemene	110897	Physician
Omar Haider	111062	Physician
Pablo Martin Pella	87462	Physician
Paul J Pettinato	110938	Physician
Paul Warner Cartwright	110988	Physician
Ram Niwas Bishnoi	111012	Physician
Raymundo Zheng Wu Marcelo, Jr	110907	Physician
Rebecca Anne Miksad	110946	Physician
Renford Cindass, Jr.	111028	Physician
Richard Chadwick Ford	110909	Physician
Richard Kelley Myers	110885	Physician
Ricky Alan Buckshaw	110962	Physician
Rishi R Patel	110993	Physician

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Robin Ellett	111083	Physician
Roslyn Chaisanguanthum	TM342	Physician
Rozina Haile	110980	Physician
Ruben Ngnitewe Massa'a	110894	Physician
Ryan C Weegens	111079	Physician
Ryan Steven Morasse	110892	Physician
Sally El Sammak	111047	Physician
Samantha Davenport	110915	Physician
Samuel Paul Popinchalk	110930	Physician
Sana Dang	110976	Physician
Sanjeev Pravin Shah	110916	Physician
Sean Edwin Bourke	TM345	Physician
Shabnaz Rob	110966	Physician
Shalini Dutta	111081	Physician
Shayer Alkhayer Chowdhury	110880	Physician
Sheila Nazarian Mobin	111004	Physician
Sher Singh Tucker	111088	Physician
Sheraz Anjum	110950	Physician
Shideh Javadi	110936	Physician
Shri Kiriti Sessa Rajan	110973	Physician
Shruthi Ramachandran	111063	Physician
Sirin Khajaviyan	110969	Physician
Siyun Xie	111019	Physician
Sridhar Srinivasan	62292	Physician
Stacy Ann Mitchell Doyle	110921	Physician
Stephen Joseph Patacsil	110905	Physician
Subrahmanyam Valadi Ramakrishnan	111090	Physician
Sujith Baliga	110958	Physician
Swapna Gangasani	110890	Physician
Syed Siddiquallah	110939	Physician
Talha Ahmed	111093	Physician
Tie Qian	111061	Physician
Tiffany Nicole Hall	110882	Physician
Tomonori Nakagama	111056	Physician
Tracey E Smithey	110961	Physician
Travis Coleman Downey	110911	Physician
Tyler Gavin Allen	111065	Physician
Utkarsh Pandey	110863	Physician
Valerie Jenkins	110904	Physician
Valerie Nicole Ivanovich	110989	Physician
Vanil Bhadresh Pandya	111025	Physician
Victor Gregory Redmon	111076	Physician
Viktoriya Donovan	111016	Physician

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Wendy Eileen Abbott	110995	Physician
William Claiborne Behl	111053	Physician
William Earle Harousseau	111038	Physician
Wonwoo Shon	110983	Physician
Yagnika Patel	110997	Physician
Yasaman Alam	111000	Physician
Yixi Tu	111013	Physician
Zachary Bruce White, II	110933	Physician

**NURSE PROTOCOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Cheek presented the APRN Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Marshall seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**The following Form Cs were approved:**

Ashley Bostick - Lumbar Cervical Trigger Injections  
Casey Jo Bennett - Hormone Replacement Pellet Replacement  
Cindy Oden - Intra-Articular Shoulder Aspiration and Injection  
Cindy Oden - Neurotoxin Injection  
Cindy Oden - Occipital Nerve Block  
Cindy Oden - Trigger Point Injection  
Erica Lanier - Joint injections aspirations  
Hannah Maloney - Dermal Filler Injections  
Hannah Maloney - Neurotoxin Injections  
Joshua Curtis - Small Bowel Follow Through  
Julie Shrewsbury - Otolaryngology Cerumen removal  
Julie Shrewsbury - Otolaryngology Flex endoscopy  
Julie Shrewsbury - Otolaryngology Rigid nasal endoscopy  
Julie White - Chemical Peels  
Julie White - Microneedling  
Julie White - Neurotoxin Injections  
Kelly Harris - Excisional Sharp Debridement  
Laura McElveen - Arterial line placement  
Laura McElveen - Central line placement  
Maragret Kapasi - Aesthetic Dermal Filler Injections  
Maragret Kapasi - Botulinum Toxin Aesthetic Injections  
Mariola Pena-Denaly - Botulinum toxin injections  
Mariola Pena-Denaly - Hyaluronic Acid (filler) injections  
Michelle Taylor - Biostimulator Injections (Sculptra)  
Michelle Taylor - Hyaluronic Acid Fillers  
Michelle Taylor - Neurotoxin Injections (Botox Cosmetic/ Dysport)  
Natalie Dunagan - Dermal filler  
Natalie Dunagan - Neurotoxin injection  
Nichelle Jackson - EKG and Interpretation  
Nichelle Jackson - IM and SQ Injections  
Nichelle Jackson - IV Placement

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Nichelle Jackson - Pelvic Exam  
Nichelle Jackson - Shockwave therapy  
Nichelle Jackson - Simple wound closure  
Nichelle Jackson - Staple/suture removal  
Nichelle Jackson - Steroid and PRP  
Sarah Coward - Dermal Filler Injections  
Sarah Coward - Neurotoxin Injections  
Sarah Hobbs - Hyaluronic Acid Dermal Filler Injections  
Sarah Hobbs - Neurotoxin Injections  
Stephanie Diers - Dermal Injection Fillers  
Stephanie Diers - Neurotoxin Injections  
Windy Giddens - Knee Joint Injections  
Windy Giddens - Shoulder Joint injections  
Windy Giddens - Trigger Point Injections

**The following Form Cs were denied:**

January Floyd - NAD Infusions  
January Floyd - NAD Subcutaneous Injections  
Kelly Harris - Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy  
Nichelle Jackson - Joint Injections  
Nichelle Jackson - Vaccine Administration  
Njideka Sackey - Exosurge Penile Injection

**The Committee reviewed and approved the following protocol agreements under the provision of O.C.G.A. 43-34-25.**

**APRN**

Blount, Montressa  
Brown, Kirby  
Carlucci, Lindsay  
Chaffin, Taylor  
Drake, Julia  
Dunagan, Natalie  
Dunn, Asia  
Elder, Shelby (Resubmit)  
Falade, Idiat  
Fleming, Ryan  
Golden, Lauren  
Hobbs, Sarah  
Kellogg, Leah  
Leaf, Jeremy  
McDowell, Jason  
McElveen, Laura  
Okeke, Chinonso  
Pena-Donady, Marioly  
Shrewsbury, Julie  
Sokari, Layla (Resubmit)

**Delegating Physician**

Jason Krahnke, DO  
Stephanie Dunlop, DO  
Jason Krahnke, DO  
Richard Spurlock, MD  
Eduardo Safille, MD  
Antoine Trammell, MD  
Steve Mokoko, MD  
Elizabeth Flail, DO  
Olaolu Soley, MD  
Jason Krahnke, DO  
Salman Ashfaq, MD  
Kenneth Harper, MD  
Darren Kies, MD  
Michael Burke, MD  
Darren Kies, MD  
John Frederick, MD  
Priscilla Agbenyefia, MD  
Roland Nash, MD  
Ryan Kauffman, MD  
Jon Ouderkirk, MD

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Webb Emily (Resubmit)  
Yawn, Caitlin

David Wharton, MD  
Kendall Griffith, MD

**The Committee determined that the following protocol agreements meet the provisions of O.C.G.A. 43-34-25 with changes.**

**APRN**

Aguila, Chandra  
Akomas, Blessing  
Anselmo, Deanna  
Barksdale, Whittnye  
Barrett, Bria  
Black, Ashley  
Brown, Robert  
Byrd, Marissa  
Clifton, Stacey  
Cooks, Waretta  
Dixon, Pauline  
Floyd, January  
Groff, Elizabeth  
Guerrero, Juan  
Hapgood, Monique  
Hart, Madison  
Hughes, Shelby  
Mauldin, Michelle  
McDonald, Cecelia  
Nunes, Stephanie  
Pinchin, Alicia  
Sackey, Njideka  
Sanders, Jessica  
Taylor, Jessica  
Temples, Izabella

**Delegating Physician**

Michael Coulthard, MD  
Rakesh Baman, MD  
Paul Richin, MD  
Paul Smurda, MD  
Shana Kothari, MD  
Roland Nash, MD  
Stephen Voss, DO  
Barabara Davies, MD  
Robert Bryan, MD  
Stanley Himes, MD  
Kelly Scheinberg, MD  
Erick Myrtill, MD  
Cole Steber, MD  
Ki-Hon Lin, MD  
Anand Salem, MD  
Charles Baggett, MD  
Rayan Rouhizad, MD  
Gregory Mauldin, MD  
Hanping Wu, MD  
Vincent Zubowicz, MD  
Michael Sumner, MD  
Steven Morganstern, MD  
Arif Ali, MD  
Mohab Hassib, MD  
Ugo Ireh, MD

**The Committee determined that the following protocol agreements do NOT meet the provisions of O.C.G.A. 43-34-25.**

**APRN**

Harguess, Penny

**Delegating Physician**

Ajitabh Pandey, MD

**The following Protocols were tabled:**

**APRN**

Maloney, Hannah  
Taylor, Rita  
Yawn-Lewis, Tonya

**Delegating Physician**

Herbert Kollinger, DO  
Norris Burton, MD  
Donald Rosenbaum, DO

**Protocols Administratively Reviewed: 589**

The following protocol agreements meet the provisions of OCGA 43-34-25:  
Minutes will be amended when the list can be extracted from the new system.

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**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Antalis presented the Physician Assistant Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Gross seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Rule Petitions:**

Jessica Thomas – 360-5-.02(1)(b) - Denied

**The Committee recommended approval of the following applications for initial licensure with a supervising physician:**

**PA**

Amia Akwiwu  
Rithika Archinapalli  
Ivan Arvelo  
Alexander Bearup  
Kanazjae Brown  
Mary Chupuico  
Colton Cooper  
Meredith Cox  
Christina Di Natale  
Alfonso De Diego  
Sheri Fox  
Julia Franklyn  
Hannah Fitzgerald  
Ronald Gause  
Jaclyn Gleske  
Lauren Goring  
Whitney Elaine Jones  
Farah Juma  
Lexi Kriews  
Nicholas Levensailor  
Ayleen Martinez  
Madeline Marks  
Assefa Meshesha  
Anna Grace Miller  
Esraa Nofal  
Washington Ochieng  
Samantha Patterson  
Bhaskar Patel  
Cassie Palma  
Esther Paulk  
Jessica Pham  
Rachel Philpot  
Dhara Rana  
Travis Reeves  
Emma Scheider  
Giovanni Still

**Supervising Physician**

Jacqueline Walters  
Sidney Smith  
Vadim Katsenovich  
Anthony Brenner  
Kenneth West  
Stephen Kim  
Jason Robertson  
Hunter Crane  
Shemille Ellis  
Stephen Ellwood  
Jeffrey Boone  
Jack Yancey  
Bennett Grimm  
Binoy Bhatt  
Ronald Perry  
Nicholas Farber  
David Green  
Marcus Cox  
Morgan Arnold  
Meghan Woody-Fowler  
Yiam Garay  
Rebecca Campen  
Anwar Shagarabi  
Jay Mepani  
Michelle Romeji  
Jason Henry  
Baron Mullis  
Sarah McCraney  
Zachary Payne  
Sarah Burke  
David Nelson  
Anthony Brenner  
Maulik Trivedi  
Andres Santayana  
Nerlyne Jimenez  
Shireen Haque

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Carson Tackett  
Laura Threlkel  
Hunter Allen Wacik  
Margaret Yankovich

Gary Margolias  
Anwar Shagarabi  
Phillip Forys  
Matthew Olliff

**The Committee recommended pending approval of the following applications for initial licensure with a supervising physician:**

**PA**

Kaden Cunningham  
Aubrey Day  
Madison Hancock  
Caroline Holt  
Junia S. Kairys  
Megan Milliner  
Christine Milson  
Hanna Minot  
Maximillian Morbidelli  
Angel Nichols  
Kaitlyn Olson  
Cecily Parker  
Neo Sansone  
Grace Swenson  
Claburn Upchurch

**Supervising Physician**

Christopher Little  
Nicholas Richardson  
Austin Lewis  
Chia-Lin Winchester  
Matthew Clifton  
Richard Culp Jr  
Maria La Via  
Devon Carr  
William Whitley  
Terence Jackson  
Vikas Gupta  
Elizabeth Collins  
Rose Tang  
Lingesh Sivanesan  
John Mahoney

**The Committee recommended approval of the following applications for initial licensure without a supervising physician:**

**PA**

Wesley R. Allen  
Lauren Barker  
Katrina Barkman  
Perla Borelli  
Kyrsten Brader  
Abigael Brady  
Connor Catalani  
Raven Crowder  
Addison DaCamara  
Jordan Daly  
Truc Dao  
Anna Deutsch  
Amy Dolce  
Stephen Ellis  
Brittany Ent  
Courtney Fetto  
Kadi Fields  
Anna Flint  
Jessica Giannotti

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Allison Guagliardo  
Olivia Heinle  
Jenna Hendler  
Krisa Jackson  
McKinley Kemp  
Idalid Lara  
Kaitlyn McClung  
Neley Morales  
Katherine Nealy  
Maribel Nunez  
Pushan Paul  
Katelyn Peak  
Madison Picklesimer  
Jordan Pounds  
Miranda Rein  
Briana Reitz  
Sean Riley  
Tyler Rogers  
Sierra Santellana  
Carter Spear  
Lakin Stephens  
Rachel Van Amburgh  
Sarah Vu  
Eric Washington  
Quanisha Williams-Mobley  
Nolan Woods

**The Committee recommended pending approval of the following applications for initial licensure without supervising physicians:**

**PA**

Samuel Brandon  
Elizabeth Bruehl  
Hildy Fisher-Newman  
Amanda Hok  
Rosa Kim  
Gaytri Kumar  
Christopher Owens  
Katherine Powers  
Shervon Robinson  
Matthew Rump  
Braxton Turner IV  
Sara Wallin

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**The Committee recommended approval of the following applications for reinstatement licensure without a supervising physician:**

**PA**  
Charla Johnson  
Michele Johnson

**The Committee recommended pending approval of the following applications for reinstatement licensure without a supervising physician:**

**PA**  
Tamara Austin  
Nicolette Davis

**The Committee recommended approval of the following applications for reinstatement licensure with a supervising physician:**

<b>PA</b>	<b>Supervising Physician</b>
Nathan Lycan	Chesney Fowler

**The Committee recommended to table the following applications for initial licensure without a supervising physician:**

**PA**  
Madelene Anderson

**The Committee recommended pending 90-day permit approval of the following applications for initial licensure with a supervising physician:**

<b>PA</b>	<b>Supervising Physician</b>
Dina Mulroy	Chijioke Ohamadike
Sikandar Niazi	Anwar Shagarabi
Candyce Wu	Jordan Kaylor

**The Committee recommended approval of the following additional duties:**

<b>PA</b>	<b>Additional Duty</b>	<b>Supervising Physician</b>
Joselyn Amadiz-Bonilla	Stress Test Monitoring	Sheri Lopez
Sierra Blanton	Bladder Botox Instillation Cystoscopy Flexible Female Cystoscopy Flexible Male Cystoscopy Rigid Female w/ Female Pelvic Exam Cystoscopy Rigid Male w/ Male GU Exam Cystoscopy Stent Placement Cystoscopy Stent Removal Foley Catheter Placement Hydrodistension Perineal Ultrasound/ Prostate Biopsy PNE	Jitesh Patel

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Ninghui Chen	Lumbar Puncture with/without Intrathecal Chemotherapy	Jonathan Cohen
Daniel Depeau- Wilson	Stress Test Supervision	Gregory Robertson
Riley Eubank	Image Guided Bone Marrow Biopsy	Annie Williams
Megan Fransman	Arterial Lines Central Lines	Sharaf Khan
Catherine Green	Nexplanon Removal Nexplanon Insertion IUD Insertion	Michael Litrel
Katelyn Hamilton	Thoracentesis	Russell French
Lindsey Hill	Moderate Sedation	Adam Shaver
Jacob Lowry	Bone Marrow Biopsy/Aspiration	Will Lindquenter
Deborah Lindquenter	Thoracentesis	Bryson Hauck
Tanner Perry	Dermal Filler Injections	Christopher Etxgels
Makayla Sims	Venous Radiofrequency Ablation Tunneled Catheter Dialysis Insertion Temporary Central Venous Access	Samer Alaharhi

**The Committee recommended TABLING the following additional duties:**

<b>PA</b>	<b>Additional Duty</b>	<b>Supervising Physician</b>
Kayce Cincar	Biostimulator Filler Chemical Peels GLP-1 Hyaluronic Acid Filler Neurotoxin Kybella	Micah Craig
Erin Eliseo	Moderate Sedation	Neela Natarajan
Catherine Green	Endometrial Biopsies	Michael Litrel
Keyanna Williams	HRT Pellet Replacement	Francisco Jacome

**Revisits:**

CO – Tabled

DD – Interview

**Approved Add/Changes: 487**

Minutes will be amended when the list can be extracted from the new system.

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**COSMETIC LASER PRACTITIONER ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Dalton presented the Cosmetic Laser Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Retterbush seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Table Applications:**

AL  
BL  
HC  
IL  
JC  
JM  
KL  
KT  
LS  
MP

**Approve for SLP Licensure:**

Harris, Alexandria  
Holmes, Madison  
Robella, Heidi  
Terrell, Keiya  
Tucker, Alethea

**Approve for ALP Licensure:**

Baldo-Downs, Isabella  
Bassford, Emily  
Bates, Rachel  
Black, Nikki  
Camey, Faviola  
DeSouza, Yona  
DeWitt Jessica  
Edwards, Heather  
Francis, Jemica  
Fulbright, Brianna  
Goldberg, Kylee  
Hamirani, Shehnaz  
Hernandez, Anahi  
Keller, Mary  
Lee, June  
Lodoeva, Oksana  
Lopes, Alexis  
Lowery, Estelle  
Maguire, Morgan  
Mancini, Jenna  
Miller, Lapreshia  
Peters, Julia

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Proffit, Dana  
Rivas, Jessica  
Rosa, Yamilet  
Shultz, Amy  
Silva, Marineis  
Smith, Lynda  
Smith, Lynda  
Star, Morning  
Stoddart, Crystal  
Tan, Gracie  
Thomas, Abbi  
Vaughan, Victoria  
White Jasontiss  
Young, Kim

**RESPIRATORY CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Harrison presented the Respiratory Care Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Marshall seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Correspondence:**

CE Follow Up – The Committee held a discussion related to Board Rule 360-13-.10(9)(1) regarding accepting CE credits from the Georgia Nursing Association. The Committee voted to refer the question to Rules to evaluate whether the rule should be removed or amended as most nursing courses will only provide basic respiratory knowledge that will not advance the knowledge or skill of a Respiratory Care Professional. The Committee is not interested in expanding the rule to include courses approved by the American Nursing Association.

**Full Licensure Approvals:**

Barrett, Monique  
Collins, Priscilla  
Davis, Jaylah  
Denis, Kimberly  
Jackson, Brooke  
Kormos, Michael  
Lorme, Vincent  
McCauley, Darling  
Palermo, Nancy  
Saint-Brave, Wildine  
Wheeler, Brianna

**Full Licensure Approvals Pending Documentation:**

Allen, Tanzie  
Atkins-Cleveland, Tamika  
Basile, John  
Collins, Cara  
Davis, Brittanie

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Hardy, William  
Humphries, Brandi  
Jonas, Makayla  
Opaaje Jr., Obafemi  
Simpson, Suree  
Smith, Victoria  
Toles, Naomi  
Vo, Jeffrey

**Reinstatement Approval Pending Documentation:**

Harris, Sylvia

**PERFUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Marshall presented the Perfusion Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Retterbush seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Applications Approved for Full Perfusion Licensure:**

Simmons, Qasim  
Strole, Phillip

**ACUPUNCTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

As the Acupuncture Committee was unable to establish a quorum on February 03, 2026, Dr. Bostock presented the applications and correspondence item to the Board. Dr. Marshall made a motion to accept the recommendations made by the Board, Dr. Antalis seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Correspondence from Bn Kim:**

Would 10 years of experience as an Herbal Pharmacist in South Korea be sufficient to waive the required one year of supervised postgraduate practice?

Response: No, your prior experience as a licensed Herbal Pharmacist in South Korea cannot be applied toward the mandatory one-year supervised practice requirement for Georgia acupuncture licensure. Upon graduation from an accredited acupuncture program and meeting all other licensure requirements, you would be required to complete the supervised practice period as outlined by Georgia law and Board rules.

**Approve the Following Quarterly Reports:**

Richard Son

**Approve the Following for Initial Licensure:**

Kristen Nye  
April Stanbury  
Jacky Zhu

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**ORTHOTIST & PROSTHETIST ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT**

As the Orthotist & Prosthetist Committee was unable to establish a quorum on February 04, 2026, Dr. Bostock presented the applications to the Board. Dr. Marshall made a motion to accept the recommendations made by the Board, Dr. Antalis seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Administratively Approve for Reinstatement Licensure Upon Receipt of Additional Info:**

Benson, Daniel

**Administratively Approve for Dual Licensure Upon Receipt of Additional Info:**

Kowalsi, Gregory

**Approved for Upgrade to Dual Licensure:**

Capestany, Luis

Snyder, Ryan

**PAIN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Ms. Gardner presented the Pain Management Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Marshall seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Approve the Following for Pain Licensure:**

The Interventional Spine & Pain Management Centers, PC

Pain Management and Rehabilitation, Inc.

Savannah Pain Management

Georgia Pain and Wellness Center, LLC

**Approve the Following for Licensure Renewal:**

Better Life Medical Spine and Joint Institute

**Applications Administratively Approved:**

Axis Pain Center – Add APRN Tiara McCoy

Physician Pain Care – Delete APRN Jasmine Gause

**GENETIC COUNSELOR COMMITTEE REPORT**

Dr. Simmons presented the Genetic Counselor Committee Report as a motion. Dr. Marshall seconded, and the motion carried unanimously. The Board took the following actions:

**Discussion:**

- CE – the advisory board would like to add language on the website and propose a rule change to make licensees aware of the approved types of continuing education that can be used towards their renewals including category 1 and 2. Guidance must be sought from Legal prior to any changes or recommendations.
- TERM LIMITS - Per Board Rule 360-39-.07(2), members may be reappointed for an additional 3-year term by majority vote of the Board but may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms. (License specialist will keep note of current member term limits). Board committee member Ami Rosen has reached her term limit and

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will fall off after this month. New recommendations are welcomed by existing committee members.

**Approve the following Genetic Counselor applicants (with full):**

Borto, Elizabeth  
Cook-Shukla, Lola  
Ledbetter, April  
Kiger, Laura

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Dr. Marshall motioned, seconded by Dr. Gross, to go into executive session to discuss confidential matters. The motion carried unanimously.

**OPEN SESSION**

Dr. Cheek declared open session.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION REPORT**

The LEAR was presented as a motion by Dr. Retterbush and was seconded by Dr. Marshall. The Board accepted the report by unanimous vote for information only.

**LEGAL SERVICE REPORT**

The Legal Services report was presented as a motion by Dr. Retterbush and was seconded by Dr. Marshall. The Board accepted the report by unanimous vote. The Board took the following actions:

AK – Petition to terminate private consent order (Dr. Bostock recused) – approved  
Kerri Bryan – Request for education related application records to be sent to Oregon – approved

**ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT**

The AG report was presented as a motion by Dr. Retterbush and was seconded by Dr. Marshall. The Board accepted the report by unanimous vote. The Board took the following actions:

Cases/Matters Closed in 2026: 6

**Upcoming/Pending Hearings:**

Melvin Perry, MD  
Michael Gross, MD  
Shrinath K. Nadig, MD

**Ratification of Orders:**

William H. Frazier, MD – Public Consent Order Docketed (01/30/2026)  
Rizwan Khan, MD – Amendment to Consent Order  
Crystal Barnwell, MD – Public Consent Order  
George U. Arimah, MD – Public Consent Order  
Joel Jones, DO – Public Consent Order  
Gianluca Cerri, MD – Public Consent Order

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Jean Paul Landry, MD – Public Consent Order  
Elis Y. Olson, MD – Voluntary Surrender  
Veronica Russ, PA – Public Consent Order

**INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEWS**

The Investigative Interviews report was presented as a motion by Dr. Retterbush and was seconded by Dr. Marshall. The Board accepted the report by unanimous vote. The Board took the following actions:

20241871      Letter of Concern  
20260253      Table

**INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Investigative Committee report was presented by Dr. Marshall with one amendment. Dr. Bostock made a motion to accept the amended report as presented, seconded by Dr. Retterbush. The Board accepted the report by unanimous vote. The Board took the following actions:

AG Discussion Cases:

20252171 – Rescind referral, further investigation needed, counterproposal declined  
20251803 – Counter proposal declined  
20260238 – Accept Voluntary Surrender  
20241117/20241411 – Rescind referral, Close case and flag license in case of reinstatement  
20251262 – Accept Counter Proposal

Close:

20221712	20251783	20251905	20252054
20231062	20251786	20251907	20252057
20240021	20251787	20251911	20252061
20240441	20251793	20251914	20252070
20240667	20251794	20251916	20252091
20240706	20251798	20251984	20252100
20241070	20251799	20251990	20252113
20241121	20251801	20251991	20252114
20241872	20251804	20251992	20252119
20241893	20251805	20251994	20252120
20250207	20251813	20251995	20252122
20250882	20251868	20252000	20252126
20250941	20251869	20252005	20252175
20250962	20251870	20252011	20260165
20251083	20251871	20252012	20260239
20251380	20251872	20252013	20260284
20251561	20251873	20252014	20260294
20251572	20251882	20252015	20260397
20251580	20251883	20252018	20260399
20251587	20251885	20252019	20260818
20251625	20251886	20252024	20260869

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20251699	20251887	20252029	20260883
20251764	20251896	20252031	20260894
20251765	20251897	20252033	20260920
20251771	20251898	20252035	20260955
20251772	20251899	20252043	20261167
20251775	20251900	20252052	20261168
20251778	20251904	20252053	20261169
20230104	20251623	20250746	20251667
20251145	20251779	20251412	

Letter of Concern:

20260766	20260768
20260767	20261098

Further Investigation:

20252060

Invite for Investigative Interview:

20251070

Table:

20230456	20250685
20251963	20250661
20260760	20260913

Peer Review:

20252111

Refer to Department of Law:

20250472	20260827
20250898	20260321
20260532	

Recusals:

Dr. Dalton	20250472	20251623	20251778
	20251904	20251916	

Dr. Shuman                    20260827

Dr. Bedingfield            20260827

**WELLNESS COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Wellness Committee report was presented as a motion by Dr. Bostock and was seconded by Dr. Retterbush. The Board accepted the report by unanimous vote. The Board took the following actions:

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Georgia PHP, Executive Director Robin McCown, presented the PHP report.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Dr. Marshall made a motion, seconded by Doctor Retterbush, to abolish the Rules Committee and to have discussions on rules led by Dr. Gross during full Board meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion Dr. Marshall, seconded by Dr. Retterbush, to adjourn the meeting at 1:26 PM.

Kathryn Cheek, MD  
Chairperson

Jason S. Jones  
Executive Director

Recorded by:  
Board Staff