

**Direct-Entry Midwifery Advisory Committee  
Maryland Board of Nursing  
4140 Patterson Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21215**

**Open Session Committee Meeting Minutes  
October 16, 2020**

NAME	TITLE	PRESENT	ABSENT
<b>Committee Members</b>			
Jan Kriebs	Committee member (CNM)	X	
Jessica Watkins	Committee member (consumer)	X	
Karen Webster	Committee member (LDEM)	X	
Dr. Kai Parker	Chairperson (LDEM)		X
Dr. Harold Fox	Committee member (Maryland Hospital Association Representative)		X
Julia Perkins	Committee member (CNM)		X
Elizabeth Reiner	Committee member (LDEM)		X
<b>Board Counsel</b>			
Lindsey Snyder	Assistant Attorney General	X	
<b>Board Staff</b>			
Monica Mentzer	Manager of Practice	X	
<b>Guests:</b>			
Maureen McIver			
Paige Barocca	LDEM		
Karen Carr	LDEM		
Jennifer Chaffee	MD family for Safe Births		

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1. <b>Call to Order</b>	Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice	The Committee members in attendance (3) was insufficient for a quorum.	At 10:10 a.m. it was motioned by Karen Webster and seconded by Jessica Watkins to call the open session to order.
2. <b>Approval of Minutes</b>	Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice	The Committee members present reviewed the September 4, 2020, Open Session Meeting minutes. The Committee members present had no suggested changes to the September 4, 2020 Open Session meeting minutes.	A vote for approval of the September 4, 2020, Open Session Meeting minutes was tabled due to lack of quorum.
3. <b>Review of the 21 Data Collection Forms submitted by the LDEMS with all identifying information removed</b>	Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice	The Committee reviewed and compiled the data from 21 Data Collection Forms submitted by licensees and received by the Committee.	<p>The results of each question were reported to the Committee and were recorded as follows:</p> <p>Question #1: 269</p> <p>Question #2:</p> <p>Allegany – 2  Anne Arundel – 9  Baltimore City – 9  Baltimore Count – 16  Calvert – 0  Caroline – 3  Carroll – 6  Cecil – 23  Charles – 4  Dorchester – 0  Frederick – 24  Garrett – 1  Harford – 11</p>

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			<p>Howard – 5  Kent – 1  Montgomery – 25  Prince George’s – 16  Queen Anne’s – 3  St. Mary’s – 30  Somerset – 1  Talbot – 1  Washington – 16  Wicomico – 1  Worcester – 1</p> <p>Question #3 – 0</p> <p>Question #4* –  (on one form (#6) missing a response to Question #4)</p> <p>Code 301 – 2  Code 302 – 3  Code 307 – 1  Code 310 – 2  Code 313 – 2  Code 315 – 1  Code 316 – 1  Code 318 – 5  Code 319 – 3  Code 320 – 1 (pre-term labor, placenta precerta)</p> <p>Question #5 – 19  Reason for transfer codes:  504 – 2  506 – 7</p>

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			<p>512 – 5  508 – 1  511 – 1  706 – 1  902 – 1  513 – 1  Outcome for mother codes:  201 – 18  202 - 1  Outcome for infant codes:  201 – 18  202 – 1</p> <p>Question #6 – 4  Reason for transfer codes:  402 - 1  406 – 2  409 – 1  410 – 1  *1 – error, doesn't reflect a code  Outcome for mother codes:  101 – 3  102 – 1  Outcome for infant codes:  201 – 4</p> <p>Question #7* – 6  (*one form was missing an answer for question #7)  Reason for transfer codes:  803 – 1  356 – 2</p>

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			<p>805 – 1  606 – 1  351 – 1  Outcome for mother codes:  101 – 5  (one not listed)</p> <p>Outcome for infant codes:  201 – 3  202 – 2  209 – 1 (other-unspecified)</p> <p>Question #8A – 219  Question #8B – 202</p>
<p><b>4. Review of Informed Consent document with proposed revisions approved by Certified Professional Midwives (CPMs)</b></p>	<p>Karen Webster</p>	<p>Karen Webster provided the Committee with a copy of the “Licensed and Certified Professional Midwife (CPM) Informed Consent document” prepared by members of AIMM with suggested changes to the current Board-approved Informed Consent Form (available on the Maryland Board of Nursing website, Direct-Entry Midwives, under Forms).</p> <p>The Committee members discussed each of the suggested additions/changes on pages 1-2 of the form. The Committee members provided Ms. Webster with feedback and discussion to the items on pages 1-2 of the document. The Committee will continue review of pages 3-4 of the document at its next meeting,</p>	<p>Karen Webster will make the additional proposed changes to the document and will follow-up with further discussion regarding the document.</p> <p>The document will be returned to the Committee members for further review and discussion at the November 6, 2020 Committee meeting.</p>

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		scheduled for November 6, 2020.	
<p><b>5. Update on COMAR 10.64.01.15(b) and COMAR 10.64.02 Code of Ethics</b></p>	<p>Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice</p>	<p>Monica Mentzer provided an update to the Committee members on the status of the recommended regulatory changes by the Committee to COMAR 10.64.01.15(b) presented to the Board by Jan Kriebs at the Open Session Board meeting on February 26, 2020, which were approved by the Board. Based on the fast approaching deadline for submission of regulatory proposals, the Board of Nursing Executive Director and Deputy Director requested that the Committee determine if there are any other regulatory or statutory proposed changes being considered and to submit all proposals at the same time.</p> <p>Monica Mentzer provided an update to the Committee regarding the DEMS Code of Ethics, COMAR 10.64.02: It has been approved by the Governor, signed by the Department of Health Secretary, and has been submitted to the AELR Committee. It is anticipated that the proposal will be printed in the November 6, 2020 Register, and will be posted for a comment period ending on December 7, 2020.</p>	<p>The Committee will discuss any other regulatory or statutory proposed changes at its next meeting.</p>

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<p><b>6. Request for items to be included in the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY '21(July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020) report to the Board on October 28, 2020</b></p>	<p>Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice</p>	<p>The Committee members were asked if there are any additional items to be included on the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY '21 (July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020) Report to the Board at the Board's Open Session meeting scheduled for October 28, 2020.</p> <p>Monica Mentzer provided the Committee members with a copy of HB 0837 Implicit Bias Law (Training and Study) handout for the Committee members to review. The Implicit Bias Law became effective July 1, 2020.</p>	<p>Monica Mentzer will prepare and present the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY '21 (July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2020) Report to Board at the Board's Open Session meeting, scheduled for October 28, 2020.</p>
<p><b>7. Appointment of Roxann Gordon, RN, BSN, MS, CNM to the DEMS Advisory Committee</b></p>	<p>Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice</p>	<p>Roxann Gordon, RN, BSN, MS, CNM, accepted the recommendation from the Committee to fill the vacancy for a registered nurse who is certified as a nurse midwife and the request was presented to the Board on September 23, 2020 at the Open Session Board meeting.</p>	<p>Roxann Gordon was approved by the Board members at the Open Session Board meeting on September 23, 2020 for an appointment to the DEMS Advisory Committee, effective date December 31, 2020.</p>
<p><b>8. Adjournment</b></p>	<p>Monica Mentzer, Manager of Practice</p>	<p>Due to the lack of a quorum, the decision was made to cancel the Closed Session Meeting.</p>	<p>At 12:07 p.m. a motion was made by Karen Webster and seconded by Jessica Watkins to close the Open Session meeting.</p>