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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS–Legislative Committee</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware <b>Conference Room B</b> , second floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>	03/26/2014

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. William Northey, LMFT, Presiding  
Irvin Bowers, Public Member  
Daniel Cherneski, LMFT (11:29 a.m. – 12:01 p.m.)  
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH  
Lisa Ritchie, LCDP (11:22 a.m. – 12:01 p.m.)

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General  
Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

**ALSO PRESENT**

Matthew Turley, DPCA

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Northey called the meeting to order at 11:11 a.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Discussion Regarding Placements of LACMH's and LAMFT's**

Dr. Northey voiced his opinion regarding the need for a formal agreement to be put in place between a supervisor who is not employed with the agency, and the agency for which the LACMH and LAMFT are working with to accumulate the required experience hours.

Ms. Singh advised the Committee that the Board cannot table or deny an application for associate licensure got having an offsite supervisor. If an issue was to occur with the supervisor providing guidance to the supervisee, that violated the agency's policies or federal laws, then the client would have a private cause of action. Ms. Singh also informed the Committee that the supervisors are bound by the written plan and the statute.

The Committee discussed several options, such as guidelines for supervision, requiring supervisors to obtain supervisory certification, and modifying the regulations to include specific qualifications of acceptable supervisors.

**Discussion of LPCMH and LACMH Application Process and Licensure**

Ms. Singh advised the Board that their current regulations do not align with the current statute. The Board previously changed their regulations, requiring individuals who graduated after a specific date, be licensed as an LACMH before they can accumulate any experience hours. Ms. Singh informed the Board that the current statute does not allow it. She stated that in order to require an associate license before being able to apply for a professional license, a statutory change would be required.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

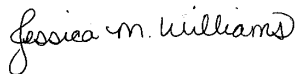
**Next Meeting Date**

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2014 at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

**Adjournment**

Ms. Ritchie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica M. Williams  
Administrative Specialist II