



Jim Pillen, Governor

DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
IN-PERSON AND WEBEX MEETING
Date Posted April 5, 2024

Hampton Inn
Husker Room
7343 Husker Circle
Lincoln, NE 68504

Friday
April 19, 2024
2:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held in-person. The public is welcome to attend any Open Session discussion at the Hampton Inn Hotel. This meeting will also be available to the public to participate by WEBEX using this link:

<https://sonvideo.webex.com/sonvideo/j.php?MTID=mc8bf7fe06541c0ed9fa096eb13b677f4>

or call in information is **1-408-418-9388** using meeting number of 2494 466 3454

Here is a link to the Open Meetings Act:

https://nebraskalegislature.gov/laws/display_html.php?begin_section=84-1407&end_section=84-1414

Here is a link to a copy of all the Open Session discussion items:

<https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Board-Meeting-Documents.aspx>

For Information: Heather Ord, Health Licensing Coordinator, 402/471-2118

1. Roll Call & Announcement: *A current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available in the meeting room.*
2. Review of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes – September 8, 2023
4. Investigational Reports – **CLOSED SESSION** pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-1,105 (*The Board will go into closed session for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals.*)
5. Disciplinary Reports – **CLOSED SESSION** pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-1,105
 - A. Proposed Orders/Agreed Settlements
 - B. Proposed Assurance of Compliance
 - C. Compliance Monitoring Report
 - D. AG Reports 3rd & 4th Qtr 2023
6. Application Review – **CLOSED SESSION**
7. Application Review – **OPEN SESSION**
8. Ratify Email Ballots Since the Last Meeting
9. Legislation Updates
10. Regulations Update
11. Practice Question – Are radio frequency (RF) treatments within the scope of practice for the treatment of dry eye disease?
12. Discussion Regarding Canadian Examination
13. Public Comment
14. Adjournment

All items known at time of distribution of this agenda are listed; a current agenda is available in the office of the Licensure Unit, First Floor, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Notice: A tape recording of the meeting will be made for the purpose of preparing minutes of the meeting. Said tape will not be transcribed but will be available to the public until such time that the minutes of this meeting are approved by the Board. In accordance with the records retention schedule of the Licensure Unit as authorized by Nebraska Statute, the Division may dispose of the tapes ten (10) days after the meeting; however, staff shall retain the tapes until the Board has approved the minutes.

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at a meeting, please call Vonda Apking with the Licensure Unit at 402/471-2118 (voice); or for persons with hearing impairments, please call the Director of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health at 402/471-9570 (TDD) or Nebraska Relay System at 800/833-7352 (TDD) prior to the meeting date. Advance notice of seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.