

Louisiana State Board of Nursing

Meeting Notice and Certification

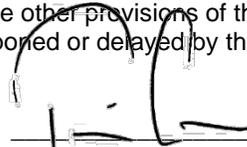
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:19(A), that the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (the "Board"), within the Louisiana Department of Health, State of Louisiana, shall convene a regularly scheduled disciplinary panel meeting of the Board from 9:00 a.m., September 9, 2020, until completed, at the offices of the Board, 17373 Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Board members will participate via video and/or teleconference due to COVID-19 Public Health Emergency during the public and executive sessions. Public participation and viewing is available via live streaming video using Microsoft Teams pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:17.1. Public participation and viewing will not be available during any portion of the meeting held in executive session pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:17.

The State of Louisiana continues to operate under a state of public health emergency declared by the governor, as most recently renewed in Proclamations 110 JBE 2020 and 111 JBE 2020 (August 26, 2020). As a result, a traditional public meeting of the Board disciplinary panel would be detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the public because all individuals are required to avoid groups of any size that do not allow for moderate social distancing.

In order to receive an online meeting link, please contact Carrie Jones at jonesc@lsbn.state.la.us. Should any member of the public wish to comment on an agenda item, present a question to the Board, or present information to the Board, please send an email to the Board at: jonesc@lsbn.state.la.us. Each public comment will be identified and read during the meeting.

Presiding officer's statement: I certify that the agenda of this meeting is limited to one or more of the following:

- a) Matters that are directly related to the public body's response to the disaster or emergency and are critical to the health, safety, or welfare of the public.
- b) Matters that if they are delayed will cause curtailment of vital public services or severe economic dislocation and hardship.
- c) Matters that are critical to continuation of the business of the public body and that are not able to be postponed to a meeting held in accordance with the other provisions of this Chapter due to a legal requirement or other deadline that cannot be postponed or delayed by the public body.



Tim Cotita
President, LSBN

The agenda of such meeting shall be as annexed hereto.

Note: Regular Meeting held and noticed pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §42:19(A). Further, agenda items may be taken out of order and/or in executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:17(A). La. R.S. 42:17(A) states "A public body may hold an executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:16 for one or more of the following reasons: (1) Discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person, provided that such person is notified in writing at least twenty-four hours, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, before the scheduled time contained in the notice of the meeting at which such executive session is to take place and that such person may require that such discussion be held at an open meeting....In cases of extraordinary emergency, written notice to such person shall not be required; however, the public body shall give such notice as it deems appropriate and circumstances permit; (2) Strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining, prospective litigation after formal written demand, or litigation when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body;....(4) Investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct; (5) Cases of extraordinary emergency, which shall be limited to natural disaster, threat of epidemic, civil disturbances, suppression of insurrections, the repelling of invasions, or other matters of similar magnitude; and,....(10) Or any other matters now provided for or as may be provided for by the legislature."

September 9, 2020 Board Hearing

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING
DISCIPLINARY HEARING PANEL
September 9, 2020

AGENDA

NOTE: This agenda is tentative until 24 hours in advance of the meeting, at which time the most recent revision becomes official.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Agenda Approval**
4. **Approval of Minutes**
5. **Executive Session Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(1) for Disciplinary Hearings and For Review of Consent Orders, Automatic Suspensions and Other Disciplinary Actions in the Following Cases:**

REPORT OF CONSENT ORDERS

- **Nurse Practice Act**
 1. [Michael Gene Melder](#)
 2. [Julia Tillie Perrin](#)
 3. [Martin Carter Schulthess](#)
 4. [Fawn Louel Slaughter](#)

REPORT OF MULTIPLE ACTIONS

1. [Dorothy Pearl Smith](#)

NOTE: Any subject of the above may require consideration of his matter in Open Session.

Pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, at LRS 42:16, the hearing panel may, upon 2/3 affirmative vote of those members present and voting, enter into executive session for the limited purposes of (1) discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a licensee, (2) investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct, (3) strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to litigation, or (4) discussions regarding personnel matters

6. **Action on Disciplinary Matters**
7. **Adjournment**