

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on March 22, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, D.P.M., Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Marc Mandell, Esquire, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Leo Veleas, DPM

ALSO PRESENT: Jennifer Filippone, Health Service Supervisor, DHSR
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:20 AM.

MINUTES - DECEMBER 15, 1999

The Board reviewed the minutes of December 15, 1999. Mr. Mandell moved and Dr. Cutler seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Gary Griffin provided the Board with an update on unlicensed practice and drug diversion.

B. RADIOLOGY EXAMINATIONS (PODIATRIC ASSISTANT)

Dr. Veleas sent a copy of an exam with 76 multiple choice questions. A review of courses and the exam was deferred to the next meeting.

C. PODIATRIC HISTORIES AND PHYSICALS, PRE-OP

Robert E. Marra, DPM, CPMA, President, asked for a Declaratory Ruling, regarding whether Podiatrists can perform their own Pre-Op physicals. Paul Lahey, Assistant Attorney General will discuss legal issues with the Board next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Marc Mandell moved and Dr. Cutler seconded, that this meeting be adjourned at 10:35 AM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on June 14, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, D.P.M., Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Marc Mandell, Esquire, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Lahey, Assistant Attorney General
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:20 AM.

MINUTES- MARCH 22, 2000

The Board reviewed the minutes of March 22, 2000 Everett Gamble moved and Dr. Cutler seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

A. **INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE**

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor reported that three cases involving podiatrists are currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

Dr. Pressman requested that the Department of Public Health provide an update, at the September 2000 meeting, regarding the matter of the "Routine Foot Care Clinics" which the Board previously referred to the Department.

B. **RADIOGRAPHER EXAMINATION UPDATE**

Dr. Veleas reported that work is progressing, it's hoped that the examination will be ready for the Board's review in the fall.

C. **PHYSICAL EXAMS & HISTORIES**

Dr. Cutler made a motion and Dr. Veleas seconded, to conduct a Declaratory Ruling proceeding on the question "does the Connecticut General Statutes allow a podiatrist to obtain a medical history from and perform a physical examination on a patient?" The motion passed unanimously.

D. **REQUEST FOR OPINION LETTER**

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mandell, to request an opinion of the Attorney General, as to the legislative intent (meaning) of the term "anatomical structures of the foot" and the other terminology as used in Conn. Gen. Stat. §20-50. The motion passed unanimously.

E. **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas to adjourn the meeting at 11:05am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on September 13, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room F, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, D.P.M., Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Marc Mandell, Esquire, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Lahey, Assistant Attorney General
Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:10 AM.

MINUTES - JUNE 14, 2000

The Board reviewed the minutes of June 14, 2000. Mr. Gamble moved and Dr. Veleas seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Investigations Supervisor Gary Griffin provided an update.

RADIOGRAPHER EXAMINATION UPDATE

The Board received an update on the radiographer examination. Another update will follow at the December meeting.

DECLARATORY RULING

Assistant Attorney General Paul Lahey was present for this discussion. Mr. Gamble made a motion seconded by Dr. Cutler that the Board decline to issue a Declaratory Ruling on the question "does the Connecticut General Statutes allow a podiatrist to obtain a medical history from and perform a physical examination on a patient?" The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gamble, that a request by the Connecticut Medical Society asking the Board to dismiss the Declaratory Ruling or be granted Party Status, be dismissed as moot. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, that the requests from the Connecticut Podiatric Medical Association and from Kathryn R. Mashey, DPM, asking for Party Status be dismissed as moot. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION

Assistant Attorney General Paul Lahey reported that the Board's request is being worked on.

LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Steven Colsen, DPM - Petition No. 2000-0420-019-001

Department of Public Health, Staff Attorney, Leslie Scoville presented a Consent Order in the matter of Steven Colsen, DPM. Dr. Veleas made a motion seconded by Dr. Cutler to accept the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas to adjourn the meeting at 10:55am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 13, 2000 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room F, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member
Marc Mandell, Esquire, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM.

MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 13, 2000

The Board reviewed the minutes of September 13, 2000. Dr. Cutler moved and Dr. Veleas seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Kathy Boulware, RN, Supervising Nurse Consultant, Department of Public Health reported that two cases were currently under investigation by the Department.

RADIOGRAPHER EXAMINATION UPDATE

Dr. Veleas reported that the examination will be given approximately once every month. A psychometric evaluation will be conducted by Central Connecticut State University. Dr. Pressman made a motion seconded by Dr. Cutler to accept the examination. The motion passed unanimously.

MEETING DATES 2001

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2001:

February 28, 2001
May 23, 2001
September 26, 2001
December 12, 2001

All meetings will be scheduled for 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler to adjourn the meeting at 10:17am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on February 28, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room I, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:06 AM.

MINUTES - DECEMBER 13, 2000

The Board reviewed the minutes of December 13, 2000. Mr. Gamble moved and Dr. Cutler seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

RESIGNATION OF MARC MANDELL, ESQ.

Dr. Pressman announced that Mr. Mandell resigned from the Board effective December 13, 2001. A letter thanking Mr. Mandell for his service was signed by Dr. Pressman.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor gave an update on cases currently under investigation by the Department of Public Health.

RADIOGRAPHER EXAMINATION UPDATE

Dr. Veleas reported that two examinations have been given to date. No problems have been reported. The next examinations are scheduled for March. Approximately 60 persons have taken the examination thus far. The Board requests that it be sent a copy of the psychometric evaluation of the examination.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

Dr. Pressman stated he had received a letter from a Podiatrist asking if the treatment of venous ulcers is within the scope of Podiatric Practice. Following discussion the Board agreed not address this issue.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on May 23, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room I, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM.

MINUTES - February 28, 2001

The Board reviewed the minutes of February 28, 2001. Dr. Veleas moved and Dr. Cutler seconded that the minutes be approved as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION UPDATE

Assistant Attorney General Paul Lahey was present for this discussion. Dr. Cutler made a motion seconded by Dr. Veleas to enter executive session to receive legal advice from the Assistant Attorney General. The motion passed unanimously and the Board entered executive session at 10:20 a.m. The public portion of the meeting resumed at 10:50 a.m.

Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pressman, that the Board withdraw its request for an opinion from the Office of the Attorney General regarding the issue of as to the legislative intent (meaning) of the term "anatomical structures of the foot" and the other terminology as used in Conn. Gen. Stat. §20-50. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pressman, that the Board not issue a declaratory ruling in response to the May 23, 2000 correspondence received from the Robert L. Hirtle, Esq. Attorney Hirtle had asked the Board to issue an opinion letter clarifying the scope of practice of podiatric medicine. The motion passed unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor reported that two cases involving podiatrists are currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

RADIOGRAPHER EXAMINATION

The Board reviewed the psychometric analysis of the examination.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler to adjourn the meeting at 11:10am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Cutler, DPM
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on September 26, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room C, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Leo Veleas, DPM

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

MINUTES - May 23, 2001

The Board reviewed the minutes of May 23, 2001. Mr. Gamble moved and Dr. Cutler seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor reported that four cases involving podiatrists are currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. Two cases involve drug related issues, one involves record keeping and one involves sanitary conditions. The Board suggested that if the investigation regarding sanitary conditions should be expedited to determine if an immediate danger exists.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Gamble to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 12, 2001 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veilas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

LICENSURE VERIFICATION

Jennifer Filippone, Public Health Services Manager, Department of Public Health, described the licensure verification feature of the Department of Public Health Web Site. Currently, only licensing information can be obtained. The site will be eventually updated to include any disciplinary action against a license.

BIOTERRORISM PREPAREDNESS

Bonnie Pinkerton, RN, Department of Public Health presented an overview of the Department's Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Program.

MINUTES - SEPTEMBER 26, 2001

The Board reviewed the minutes of September 26, 2001. Dr. Veilas moved and Dr. Cutler seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed unanimously.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Kathy Boulware, RN, Supervising Nurse Consultant, Department of Public Health reported that five cases were currently under investigation by the Department. Four cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further action.

LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

- A. Bruce Vinokur, DPM - Petition No. 2001-0802-019-004
Department of Public Health, Staff Attorney, Leslie Scoville presented a Consent Order in the matter of Bruce Vinokur, DPM. Dr. Cutler made a motion seconded by Dr. Veilas to accept the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.
- B. Marilyn Vinokur, DPM - Petition No. 2001-0802-019-005
Department of Public Health, Staff Attorney, Leslie Scoville presented a Consent Order in the matter of Marilyn Vinokur, DPM. Dr. Cutler made a motion seconded by Dr. Veilas to accept the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

MEETING DATES 2002

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2002:

March 6, 2002

June 5, 2002

September 18, 2002

December 11, 2002

All meetings will be scheduled for 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler to adjourn the meeting at 11:00am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on March 6, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 9:50 AM.

MINUTES - DECEMBER 12, 2001

The Board reviewed the minutes of December 12, 2001. Due to the lack of a quorum the minutes will be voted on at the June 5, 2002 meeting.

INVESTIGATIONS UPDATE

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that one case is currently under investigation by the Department and two cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further action.

SCHEDULE HEARING DATE

A hearing in the matter of Joseph Zebrowski, DPM, Petition No. 2001-0111-019-002 will be scheduled for Wednesday May 8, 2002 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:10am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on June 5, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

MINUTES - December 12, 2001; March 6, 2002

The Board reviewed the minutes from December 12, 2001 and March 6, 2002. Dr. Veleas made a motion seconded by Dr. Cutler to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

REINSTATEMENT APPLICATION -JOSEPH ROGERS, DPM

Rhonda King, Licensing Examination Assistant for the Department of Public Health, presented a reinstatement application of Joseph Rogers, DPM. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, recommending approval of Dr. Rogers' reinstatement application. The motion passed unanimously.

LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Thomas Walter, DPM - Petition No. 2001-0829-019-006

Department of Public Health, Staff Attorney, Diane Wilan presented a Consent Order in the matter of Thomas Walter, DPM. Dr. Cutler made a motion seconded by Dr. Veleas to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:15am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on September 18, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:20 AM.

MINUTES - June 5, 2002

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 5, 2002 meeting. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. **Memorandum of Decision - Joseph Zebrowski, DPM**

The Board reviewed the Memorandum of Decision in the matter of Joseph Zebrowski, DPM,

Petition No. 2001-0111-019-002. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas to approve the Memorandum of Decision. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

B. **Investigations Update**

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there is one case involving standard of care issues being investigated by the Department of Public Health. Two cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further action. One case involves standard of care and one involves mental/emotional illness.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:40am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 11, 2002 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

MINUTES - September 18, 2002

The Board reviewed the minutes of the September 18, 2002 meeting. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are five cases, two involving standard of care issues, being investigated by the Department of Public Health. Three cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further action.

B. Meeting Dates 2003

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2003:

March 12, 2003

June 11, 2003

September 10, 2003

December 10, 2003

All meetings will be scheduled for 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Joseph Bianchini, DPM - Petition No. 2002-0410-019-001

Department of Public Health, Staff Attorney, Matthew Antonetti presented a Consent Order in the matter of Joseph Bianchini, DPM. Dr. Cutler made a motion seconded by Dr. Veleas to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:25am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on March 12, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Richard Cutler, DPM

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

MINUTES – December 11, 2002

The Board reviewed the minutes of the December 11, 2002 meeting. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gamble, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are five cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

B. Inquiry from Steven Blume, DPM regarding cutting of toenails by nurses and nurse aides.

The Board reviewed a June 9, 1993 memorandum of Assistant Attorney General Jane Comerford regarding registered nurse performance of foot care. The Board commented that in its view the following tasks, which the Board of Examiners for Nursing has indicated fall within the scope of practice of registered nurses, can be delegated to a licensed practical nurse or certified nurse aide.

- a) soaking of feet
- b) cleaning of toenails, with no cuticle disturbance
- c) lotioning and powdering of feet.

The Board feels that any tasks that require the use of instrumentation or which are invasive shall not be delegated. The Board will send a letter to the Board of Examiners for Nursing asking it to comment.

A copy of the June 9, 1993 memorandum and these minutes will be sent to Dr. Blume

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:37am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on May 21, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.

MINUTES – March 12, 2003

The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 12, 2003 meeting. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are three cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

B. Schedule Hearing Date

Denis Kalfus, DPM – Petition No. 2003-0116-019-001

A hearing in the referenced matter will be scheduled for September 10, 2003, immediately following the scheduled Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Registered Nurse Performance Of Foot Care

The Board of Examiners for Nursing will be reviewing this issue and will forward its comments to this Board.

LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

Motion for Summary Suspension – Joseph Zebrowski, DPM, Petition No. 2002-0716-019-003
Staff Attorney David Tilles presented the Board with the Department of Public Health's Motion for Summary Suspension in the matter of Joseph Zebrowski, DPM. Respondent was neither present nor represented. Assistant Attorney General Patrick Kwanashie was present to provide counsel to the Board.

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Veleas, to grant the Summary Suspension of Dr. Zebrowski's podiatrist license. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Summary Suspension Order. The hearing in this matter will be scheduled for June 11, 2003.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:50am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on June 11, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "F", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Leo Veleas, DPM

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM.

MINUTES – May 21, 2003

The Board reviewed the minutes of the May 21, 2003 meeting. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gamble, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Joseph Biachini, DPM – Petition No. 2002-0410-019-001

The Board reviewed a Motion for Modification of Consent Order, filed by respondent in the referenced matter. Neither respondent nor his attorney was present.

Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler to deny respondent's motion to modify. The motion passed unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to adjourn the meeting at 9:25am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett Gamble
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on September 10, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "F", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM.

MINUTES – June 11, 2003

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 11, 2003 meeting. Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are three cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. The cases involve standard of care issues

B. Memorandum of Decision - Joseph Zebrowski, DPM

The Board reviewed the Memorandum of Decision in the matter of Joseph Zebrowski, DPM, Petition No. 2002-0716-019-003. Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler to approve the Memorandum of Decision. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to adjourn the meeting at 10:25am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 10, 2003 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM *via telephone*

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 11:06 AM.

MINUTES – September 10, 2003

The Board reviewed the minutes of the September 10, 2003 meeting. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Memorandum of Decision – Denis Kalfus, DPM

The Board reviewed the Memorandum of Decision in the matter of Denis Kalfus, DPM, Petition No. 2003-0116-019-001. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the Memorandum of Decision. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are two cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health and two cases have been referred to the Department's legal office.

C. Meeting Dates 2004

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2004:

March 10, 2004

June 9, 2004

September 1, 2004

December 8, 2004

All meetings will be scheduled for 10:00 a.m., at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to adjourn the meeting at 11:16am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on March 10, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

MINUTES – December 10, 2003

The Board reviewed the minutes of the December 10, 2003 meeting. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Licensure/Examination

Licensure statistics as provided by the Department of Public Health were reviewed. For the year ending 2003, there were 312 active licensees in Connecticut, 19 of which were newly licensed.

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are four cases involving standard of care issues currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. One case has been referred to the Department's legal office for further review.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on June 9, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM *via telephone*
Everett Gamble, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

MINUTES – March 10, 2004

The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 10, 2004 meeting. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are two podiatry cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEM

Dr. Pressman discussed the need for a better definition of podiatric practice for Medicare purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:20am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on September 1, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

MINUTES – June 9, 2004

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 9, 2004 meeting. Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are three podiatry cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. One case has been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

OLD BUSINESS

Definition of podiatric practice for Medicare purposes

The Board will not pursue sending a letter to Medicare at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:24am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 8, 2004 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM
Everett Gamble, Public Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

MINUTES – September 1, 2004

The Board reviewed the minutes of the September 1, 2004 meeting. Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are five podiatry cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. One case has been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

B. Meeting Dates 2005

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2005:

March 9, 2005

June 8, 2005

September 7, 2005

December 7, 2005

All meetings will be held at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gamble made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to adjourn the meeting at 10:15am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on March 9, 2005 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "F", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Everett Gamble, Public Member

The meeting commenced at 10:00 a.m..

Hearing – Richard Grayson, DPM

The Board conducted a hearing in the matter of Richard Grayson ,DPM, Petition No. 2003-0715-019-005. Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Board. Dr. Grayson was present with Attorney Kerry Wisner. Staff Attorney Ellen Shanley was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health.

The hearing concluded at 12:56 p.m.

MINUTES – December 8, 2004

The minutes from December 8, 2004 will be reviewed at the June 8, 2005 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourn at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on June 8, 2005 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM - *via telephone*
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

MINUTES – December 8, 2004 and March 9, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes of the December 8, 2004 and March 9, 2005 meetings. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pressman, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that there are four podiatry cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health.

FACT-FINDING

The Board conducted fact-finding in the matter of Richard Grayson, DPM which was heard on March 9, 2005. Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on September 7, 2005 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room "E", Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Vita Hardy
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Ms. Hardy was welcomed to her first meeting as a board member.

MINUTES – June 8, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes of the June 8, 2005 meeting. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution regarding compliance meetings.

At the request of the Office of the Attorney General, the Board has been asked to adopt a resolution regarding compliance meetings.

Dr. Veleas made a motion to adopt the following resolution. Dr. Cutler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Pressman signed the resolution.

RESOLUTION

In accordance with past practice and the Supreme Court's decision in Tele Tech of Connecticut Corporation v. Department of Public Utility Control, 270 Conn. 778 (2004), it is hereby acknowledged that the Department of Public Health has the authority to hold compliance meetings as required by Conn. Gen. Stat § 4-182(c).

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that two podiatry cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. In addition, two cases have been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

C. Podiatry Ad-Hoc Committee

Dr. Pressman reported that the ad-hoc committee had held two meetings. Progress is being made toward a report to the legislature, which will address proposed revisions to the scope of practice in podiatry.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15am. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on December 7, 2005 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Vita Hardy

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES – September 7, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes of the September 7 2005 meeting. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Podiatry Ad-Hoc Committee

Dr. Pressman reported that an impasse has developed during the ad-hoc committee meetings addressing proposed revisions to the scope of practice in podiatry. Dr. Pressman will report further at the first meeting in 2006.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Memorandum of Decision – Richard Grayson, DPM

The Board reviewed the Memorandum of Decision in the matter of Richard Grayson, DPM, Petition No. 2003-0715-019-005. Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present for this discussion.

Dr. Pressman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the Memorandum of Decision. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that two podiatry cases currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. One of these cases has been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

C. Meeting Dates 2006

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for the year 2006:

March 8, 2006

June 7, 2006

September 13, 2006

December 6, 2006

All meetings will be held at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut beginning at 10:00 a. m.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The **Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry** held a meeting on March 8, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Conference Room 2E, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Leo Veleas, DPM
Vita Hardy

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

MINUTES – December 7, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes of the December 7 2005 meeting. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Podiatry Ad-Hoc Committee

Dr. Pressman reported that a major impasse developed during the ad-hoc committee meetings. There was disagreement concerning the training of podiatrists.

The Board requests that it be notified of any public hearings regarding this issue. The Board through the chairman would like to provide testimony.

NEW BUSINESS

License Reinstatement Request

A license reinstatement application for Susan Glassman, DPM was presented by Debbie Brown, Health Program Assistant, Department of Public Health.

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to recommend approval of Dr. Glassman's reinstatement application. The motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Continuing Medical Education

The Board discussed Continuing Medical Education (CME). By way of these minutes, the Board hereby informs the Department of Public Health that it would support any legislation that would require CME for podiatrists licensed in Connecticut.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry held a meeting on June 7, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Second Floor Law Library, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Leo Veleas, DPM
Vita Hardy

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

MINUTES – March 8, 2006

The minutes from the March 8, 2006 meeting will be reviewed at the September 2006 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Act 06-160

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief reported that this legislation is awaiting the Governor's signature. This act expands the scope of practice of podiatrists by allowing the medical and non-surgical treatment of the ankle under certain conditions. Podiatrists' existing scope allows diagnosis and treatment of ailments of the foot, including medical and surgical treatment, and administering and prescribing drugs incidental to the care.

The act also requires the public health (DPH) commissioner to convene a panel, directed by an arbitrator, to develop a protocol and recommendations for allowing qualified podiatrists to perform surgery on the ankle.

B. Infection Control/Sterilization Procedures

The Board reviewed a draft 'Podiatric Practice Inspection Checklist' which was developed by the Department of Public Health, Office of Practitioner Investigations Unit. The checklist includes infection control and sterilization procedures. During this discussion the Board commented that it would like input from the office of the Assistant Attorney General as to the process it must follow in developing and issuing guidelines regarding standards for podiatric practice.

C. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigation Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that the Department currently has three open investigations involving podiatrists. In addition, one case has been referred to the Department's Legal Office for further review.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Retail Shoe Stores

It has come to the Board's attention that there are retail shoe stores in Connecticut that engage in the practice of fabricating and dispensing custom orthotics. It is the Board's opinion that such activity constitutes the practice of podiatry. The Board requests input from the office of the Assistant Attorney General as to the meaning of "commercial foot appliances" as stated in § 20-65 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry held a meeting on September 13, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Second Floor, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Vita Hardy

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Leo Veleas, DPM

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS

James DeJesus, DPM - Petition No. 2004-1117-019-006

Department of Public Health, Staff Attorney, Diane Wilan presented a Consent Order in the matter of James DeJesus, DPM. Dr. DeJesus was present with Attorney Anthony DeCross. Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson was present to provide counsel to the Board. Respondent informed the Board upon questioning from the Assistant Attorney General that he voluntarily signed the Consent Order so as to resolve this matter. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hardy, to accept the Consent Order. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. Pressman signed the Order.

MINUTES – March 8, 2006; June 7, 2006

The minutes from the March 8, 2006 and June 7, 2006 meetings were reviewed. Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hardy, to approve the minutes

OLD BUSINESS

A. Standards of Podiatric Practice

Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson informed the Board that the implementation of office based practice standards would require the promulgation of regulations by the Department of Public Health. In addition, legislative action may be necessary to provide the Department with the statutory authority to conduct inspections of podiatric offices. The Board could provide assistance to the Department in developing regulations.

The Board will discuss this matter again at the next meeting and will determine if it will make a formal request to the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health for the promulgation of regulations.

B. Fabricating and dispensing of custom orthotics by retail shoe stores

At the June 7, 2006 meeting the Board discussed that there are retail shoe stores in Connecticut that engage in the practice of fabricating and dispensing custom orthotics. Specifically, Foot Solutions in Orange, Connecticut has advertising that suggests they diagnose foot problems and offer treatment by means of fabricating custom orthotics. The Board is concerned that Foot Solutions may be practicing podiatry and/or medicine without a license. The Board liaison will send a memo to the Department of Public Health Practitioner Investigation Unit asking that the Department review the activities of Foot Solutions.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hardy, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry

The Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry held a meeting on December 6, 2006 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room E, Second Floor, Hartford, Connecticut.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Richard Cutler, DPM
Vita Hardy
Leo Veleas, DPM

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Dr. Pressman called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES – September 13, 2006

The minutes from the September 13, 2006 meeting were reviewed. Dr. Veleas made a motion, seconded by Dr. Cutler, to approve the minutes

OLD BUSINESS

A. Standards of Podiatric Practice

Assistant Attorney General Kerry Colson informed the Board that it does not have the authority to issue practice guidelines. However, the Board can make a request to the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health that the Department consider the promulgation of regulations. The Board could then provide assistance to the Department in developing the regulations.

The Board may revisit this matter again at a future meeting to determine if it will make a formal request to the Commissioner of the Department of Public Health for the promulgation of regulations.

NEW BUSINESS

A. An Act Concerning Patient Protection and Health Care Practitioner Security Fund
Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Legal Office, Department of Public Health (DPH) provided an overview of legislation proposed by the DPH which would establish a confidential program for impaired health care practitioners licensed by the department; provide funding for DPH consultants; and provide funding to the DPH for medical record management in situations in which a practitioner has abandoned a practice. Mr. Peck stated that this legislation would result in a \$10.00 surcharge added to the annual license renewal fee with the monies deposited in a designated fund.

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Veleas, supporting the Department's proposed legislation and authorizing the chair to sign a letter of support if requested. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, Department of Public Health reported that four podiatry cases are currently being investigated by the Department of Public Health. One case involves alleged improper prescribing and three involve standard of care issues. Mr. Griffin also reported that the Department is reviewing the issue of foot orthotics, which was previously referred by the Board.

C. Meeting Dates 2007

The following meeting dates have been scheduled for 2007:

March 7, 2007

June 6, 2007

September 5, 2007

December 5, 2007

All meetings will be held at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut beginning at 10:00 a. m.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Cutler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Hardy, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin M. Pressman, DPM, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners in Podiatry