

MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS
MINUTES OF March 23, 2020

The Board of Chiropractic Examiners held a called special meeting by phone on March 23, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m. by Chair Dr. Dottie Pernell.

Those present:
Dorothee Pernell D.C., Chairperson
David Allen, D.C., Vice Chairperson
B. Tripp Henderson, D.C.
L.A. Norville, D.C.
Desmond Hoda, D.C.
Mary Gayle Armstrong, M.D.
Richard Walker, D.C., Executive Secretary
Ken Walley, Board Attorney

Chairperson Pernell declared a quorum at 1:33 p.m.

The purpose of this telephonic meeting is to formulate the Boards response to:

1. License renewal
2. Chiropractic as essential medical service during this COVID-19 crisis.

Dr. Henderson motioned the Boards stance is that Chiropractic provides an essential medical service. A survey of the other states showed that 49 of the 50 states agreed that Chiropractic was an essential medical service. Further at this time Chiropractors should only see acute care patients and should follow all Department of Health and CDC guidelines to reduce transmission of the COVID-19 virus during this crisis. Thirdly, the Board should put on its website information from the Department of Health and the CDC as a guide to the profession. Dr. Norville seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Renewals and CE hours credit were discussed with a motion by Dr. Allen and a second by Dr. Henderson to table this matter until the next phone meeting to give Legal a chance to research the matter. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Dr. Allen motion for adjournment. Dr. Armstrong seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard W. Walker, D.C.

approved by Board April 16, 2020

