



State of Nevada

Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**Wednesday, October 18, 2023 ~ 4:30pm**

**Location:** Board Office ~ 6170 Mae Anne Avenue, Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523

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## AGENDA

The **STATE OF NEVADA SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, AUDIOLOGY AND HEARING AID DISPENSING BOARD** may: (a) address agenda items out of sequence (b) combine agenda items or (c) pull or remove items from the agenda at any time. The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person. (NRS 241.020, NRS 241.030).

Action by the Board on any item may be to approve, deny, amend, or table.

### 1. Call to Order, Confirmation of Quorum

### 2. Public Comment

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### 3. Welcome & Introduction of New Board Members *(informational only)*

4. **Approval of the Minutes: Board Meeting of July 19, 2023** *(for possible action)*
  
5. **Disciplinary Matters** *(for possible action)*
  - a. License Reinstatement Application: Kimara Chapman, SLP License #SP-3304, Expired May 26, 2023 *(for possible action)*
  - b. Consent Decree Recommended for Approval: Case #A23-01, Madison Gurries, AuD-D, License #A-2545 Dispensing *(for possible action)*
  - c. Consent Decree Recommended for Approval: Case #A23-03, Heather Dean, AuD-D, License #A-133 Dispensing *(for possible action)*
  - d. Consent Decree Recommended for Approval: Case #A23-02, Carrie Page, AuD-D, License #A-3513 Dispensing \*Formerly License #A-188 *(for possible action)*
  - e. Consent Decree Recommended for Approval: Case #S22-01, Megan Santoro, License #SP-2966 *(for possible action)*
  
6. **Report Out and Consideration of Recommendations for Action from Advisory Committee on Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids Meeting of September 21, 2023** *(for possible action)*
  - a. Education and Training Requirements for HAS and HAS Apprentices: NRS 637B.201, NAC 637B.0391, NAC 637B.0392, and/or NAC 637B.0394 *(for possible action)*
  - b. Required Dispensing Examinations and Endorsement for Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids: NRS 637B.203, NRS 637B.204, NRS 637B.205, NAC 637B.0373 and NAC 637B.0374 *(for possible action)*
  - c. Practical Examination Fee Increase: NAC 637B.030 *(for possible action)*
  - d. Tinnitus Care by Hearing Aid Specialists: NRS 637B.055 *(for possible action)*
  - e. Medical Evaluation/Waiver for Sale of Hearing Aids by Catalog, Mail or Internet: NRS 637B.242, NAC 637B.0444, and/or NAC 637B.045 *(for possible action)*
  - f. Review and Recommendation on Guidance for Scope of Practice Related to Earmold Impressions Pursuant to NRS 637B.055(1) *(for possible action)*
  
7. **Work Session on Identified/Proposed NAC Revisions**
  - a. **NAC Sections Previously Approved for Revision:** *(all items 1-9 below for possible action)*
    - 1) Inactive License Renewal Fee. NAC 637B.030
    - 2) Written ILE Exam Score. NAC 637B.0373(5)
    - 3) Notices Provided to Licensees. NAC 637B.0385(2)
    - 4) Align with NAC 637B.0442 Revisions. NAC 637B.0398(3)
    - 5) Expand Duties that May Be Delegated. NAC 637B.0442
    - 6) Reference to 21 C.F.R. § 801.421. NAC 637B.0444
    - 7) Certification at Reinstatement. NAC 637B.0365(1)(c)
    - 8) Apprentice Program List. NAC 637B.0392(4)
    - 9) Written Communications. NAC 637B.700
  - b. **NAC Sections Under Discussion, Reintroduced, or Newly Identified for Revision** *(all items 1-4 below for possible action)*
    - 1) Education and Training Requirements for HAS and HAS Apprentices: NAC 637B.0391, NAC 637B.0392, and/or NAC 637B.0394
    - 2) Practical Examination Fee Increase: NAC 637B.030
    - 3) Required Dispensing Examinations and Endorsement for Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids:, NAC 637B.0373, & NAC 637B.0374
    - 4) Medical Evaluation/Waiver for Hearing Aids by Catalog/Mail/Internet: NAC 637B.0444 & NAC 637B.045(i))

**8. Work Session on Identified/Proposed NRS Revisions (Standing Agenda Item)**

**a. NRS Sections Previously Approved for Revision:**

*(all items 1-3 below for possible action)*

- 1) "Practice of Audiology" Definition: NRS 637B.050(3)
- 2) Cerumen Management by HAS: NRS 637B.055
- 3) NBC-HIS Certification for HAS Standard License: NRS 637B.193(2) & NRS 637B.201

**b. NRS Sections Under Discussion, Reintroduced, or Newly Identified for Revision:**

*(all items 1-15 below for possible action)*

- 1) SLP Assistants: NRS New
- 2) Audiology Assistants NRS New
- 3) Telehealth & Telesupervision
- 4) ASLP Interstate Compact: NRS New
- 5) Licensing Fee Caps: NRS 637B.175
- 6) SLP Scope of Practice & FEES Procedure: NRS 637B.060
- 7) Temporary License - Acceptance of Out of State License: NRS 637B.200 (1)(a); (2)(a)
- 8) Expedited License by Endorsement Issuance: NRS 637B.203(4) & NRS 637B.204(4)
- 9) Grounds for Initiating Disciplinary Action: NRS 637B.250(2)(d)(1)
- 10) Conversion of Temporary & Provisional Licenses: NRS 637B.200(3)(c) and NRS 637B.201(2)(b)
- 11) Education and Training Requirements for HAS and HAS Apprentices: NRS 637B.201
- 12) Required Dispensing Examinations and Endorsement for Fitting and Dispensing Hearing Aids: NRS 637B.203, NRS 637B.204, NRS 637B.205
- 13) Hearing Aid Dispensing "Endorsement": NRS 637B.030; NRS 637B.042; NRS 637B.132; NRS 637B.175; NRS 637B.191; NRS 637B.200; NRS 637B.205
- 14) Tinnitus Care by Hearing Aid Specialist: NRS 637B.055
- 15) Medical Evaluation/Waiver for Hearing Aids by Catalog/Mail/Internet: NRS 637B.242(1)(a)(b)

**9. Consideration for Review and Approval of Solicitations and Contracts for Legislative Services and Hearing Aid Dispensing Examinations**

- a. Consideration to Issue a Solicitation for Legislative Services to assist the Board in Legislative and Regulatory Matters *(for possible action)*
- b. Review and Approval of Draft Contract with International Hearing Society for Hearing Aid Dispensing Examinations *(for possible action)*

**10. Executive Director's Report**

- a. Licensure Statistics *(for possible action)*
- b. Financial Reports: FY23 Q4/End of Year Adjusted & FY24 Q1 Summary *(for possible action)*
- c. Update on SB431: Board Oversight by Newly Established Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards *(for possible action)*
- d. Board Member Appointments/Reappointments *(for possible action)*
- e. Complaints *(for possible action)*

**11. Report from Legal Counsel *(informational only)***

**12. Reports from Board Chair and Members**

- a. Report from Board Chair and Board Members *(for possible action)*
- b. 2024 Proposed Meeting Schedule: Next meeting proposed: Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 4:30pm. Teleconference hosted via Zoom and in-person at the Reno Board Office *(for possible action)*
- c. Future Agenda Items *(for possible action)*
  - 1) Public Workshop on Proposed Revisions to NAC 637B: Previously Approved Sections and Those Approved in This Meeting *(for possible action)*

- 2) Work Session on Future Legislative Efforts to Revise NRS 637B: Previously Approved Sections and Those Approved in This Meeting (Standing Agenda Item) *(for possible action)*
- 3) Other Items As Proposed *(for possible action)*

### 13. Public Comment

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### 14. Adjournment *(for possible action)*

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#### PUBLIC COMMENT

*Public comment is welcomed by the Board. Public comment will be limited to five minutes per person and comments based on viewpoint will not be restricted. A public comment time will be available prior to action items on the agenda and on any matter not specifically included on the agenda as the last item on the agenda. At the discretion of the Board Chair, additional public comment may be heard when that item is reached. The Board Chair may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in their sole discretion. (NRS 241.020, NRS 241.030)*

*Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment. (NRS 233B.126).*

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