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Counseling Compact Rules Committee Meeting

November 21, 2024 12:00 ET

Zoom

Committee Members Present - Voting

Dr. Andrea Brooks, Chair
Justin Moore (Arrived late at 12:07 ET)
Gloria Lindsey
Tony Onorato
LeeAnn Mordecai (Arrived late at 12:07 ET)

Committee Members Present – Non-Voting

Dr. Denauvo Robinson
Angie Smith

Committee Members Absent

Ashleigh Irving

Executive Committee Members Present

Matt Grayson
Dr. Beverly Smith

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas

CC Staff Present

Greg Searls
Veronica Given

1 member of the public was present.

Welcome & Call to Order

- A. Brooks called the meeting to order at 12:02 ET.

Roll Call

• G. Searls called the roll. Five committee members were present, and one committee member was absent. A quorum was established with five of six voting committee members present.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- Motion: G. Lindsey made a motion to adopt the agenda. T. Onorato seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

Discussion of the Data System Rules Amendments

- While reviewing the rules of other compacts, N. Kalfas identified foundational language that could be beneficial, particularly regarding ownership of data and what information should be accessible to the public.
- The data system will not store specific details regarding disciplinary actions. This information will remain with the respective state, where it can be updated and maintained as needed, without the compact needing to replicate those updates.
- A state requesting additional information from another state is authorized to share such details through the compact. The compact may mediate if a state is unwilling to comply with a request from another state.
- One of the requirements of the compact does not include determining whether an individual is under investigation, though the system may ask the individual to attest to this status when applying for a privilege.
- The confidentiality rights of an applicant are governed by the applicant's home state.
 - The data system or compact may need to include a disclaimer or specific language stating that the compact will rely on the authority and determinations made by each member home state. Additionally, language should clarify that the system is managed and controlled solely by the CCC.
- Some states have actively licensed executive directors who may have access to the system.
- Several points discussed were language adopted from the EMS compact, which may not be applicable to the CCC. G. Searls and N. Kalfas will require additional time to review and remove any provisions that do not apply.
- It may be necessary to specify that the compact does not have information regarding practitioners in non-member states.
- The need to display single-state license information will require further discussion at the upcoming data systems meetings.
- There was discussion regarding whether applicants to the compact should hold an active versus inactive license to practice in their home state. It was concluded that this issue may require more detailed discussion and could potentially be elevated to a rule, rather than being addressed in an FAQ.

Public Comment

- Chair Brooks invited public comment or further questions from the committee. None were offered.

December Meeting

- Given that the next scheduled meeting falls the day after Christmas, it was suggested to cancel the December meeting. J. Moore moved to cancel the meeting, and T. Onorato seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn

- With no further agenda items and hearing no objections, A. Brooks declared the meeting adjourned at 1:24 ET.