

Counseling Compact Compliance Committee Meeting

August 4, 2025, 12:00 p.m. ET

Committee Members Present

Dr. Johnie Fredman - Chair
Dr. Tim Strait
Hannah Coyt
Cheryl Henry
Justin Moore
Dr. Markesha Miller
Dr. Lisa Connors

Committee Members Present – Non-Voting

Committee Members Absent

Laura Fazio-Griffith
Amy Mooney

Executive Committee Members Present

Kim Speakman (non-voting)
Dr. Deneauvo Robinson (non-voting)
Carol Staben Burroughs (non-voting)

Legal Counsel

Nahale Kalfas

CCC Staff Present

Greg Searls

Welcome & Call to Order

- Chair Fredman called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. ET.

Roll Call

- Director Searls called the roll. A quorum was established with 7 of 9 voting members present.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- Chair Fredman asked the committee if the agenda should be amended to add a discussion about vice chair nominations.

- **Motion:** Dr. Miller made a motion to accept the amended agenda. Dr. Lisa Connors seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Adopt Minutes

- Spelling amendment- Updated “sited” to “cited” in the last point under “review compliance checklist.”
- **Motion:** Dr. Strait made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Dr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Discuss FAQ

- N. Kalfas noted that other compacts are struggling to determine appropriate timeframes for reporting CSII (Current Significant Investigative Information). Most are considering a requirement to report within seven days of the board’s determination that a hearing is warranted. When CSII is reported, the practitioner is flagged in CompactConnect.
- Director Searls confirmed the reporting timeframe may be set at the committee’s discretion.
- Dr. Strait indicated that a shorter timeframe would be ideal, but seven days is probably more reasonable for boards. Dr. Connors and H. Coyt agreed.
- Dr. Robinson asked what the Compact does with the flagged information. N. Kalfas responded that this reporting is for compliance purposes and to alert participating states of the investigation.
- Dr. Robinson asked what would happen if an investigation were cleared. N. Kalfas encouraged the committee to determine a timeframe by which a state must remove a CSII flag if the investigation results in no findings. This should also be the timeframe a state has to ensure information is updated and accurate in CompactConnect.
- N. Kalfas and Dr. Connors emphasized the importance of states communicating directly with one another when questions arise about any of the actions listed above. State-to-state coordination is the first step.
- J. Moore suggested a consistent seven-business-day timeframe for: reporting CSII, reporting an adverse action, or reporting an investigation with no findings. Director Searls noted that Chapter 4 already establishes a reporting deadline to report within ten business days of determining an adverse action.
- N. Kalfas expressed concern that there would be liability for states if the flag is not lifted soon enough. With that feedback in mind, the committee discussed a five-business-day reporting period for CSII.
- **Motion:** Mr. Moore made a motion to send the following recommendations to the Executive Committee:
 - Reporting of adverse actions: 10 business days

- Initial CSII flagging: 5 business days
- Removal of CSII flag when no findings result from investigation: 5 business days
- Grant authority to Director Searls, Ms. Kalfas, and the Chair to make non-substantive updates (e.g., formatting)
- Motion carried unanimously.

Discussing Vice-Chair

- Chair Fredman invited committee members to nominate a vice chair. Dr. Strait volunteered. Dr. Connors nominated Dr. Miller. Dr. Miller accepted the nomination.
- Per Director Searls, the Executive Committee will ultimately need to decide between the two candidates.

Next Meeting

- The committee discussed whether they should reschedule or cancel the next meeting because it falls on Labor Day. The committee determined it would be best to reschedule the next meeting.
- **Motion:** Dr. Strait made the motion to reschedule the September meeting to avoid the Labor Day holiday. The new meeting date: September 8, 2025, at 12 p.m. ET. Dr. Connors seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Questions/ Comments

- Chair Fredman invited questions and comments from those in attendance. No questions or comments were raised by the other commissioners or the public.

Adjourn

- Hearing no further questions or business, Chair Fredman declared the meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m. ET.