



Counseling Compact Rules Committee Meeting

April 23, 2026, 12:00 p.m. ET

Zoom

Committee Members Present - Voting

Angie Smith, Chair

Tony Alden, Vice Chair

Dr. Gerard Lawson

Ashleigh Irving

Milagros Collazo joined at 12:06p

Denise Hutchins, joined at 12:05p

LeeAnn Mordecai

Committee Members Absent – Voting

Gloria Lindsey

Committee Members Present- Non-Voting

Dr. Denauvo Robinson

Tony Onorato

Committee Members Absent- Nonvoting

Ex Officio Members Present

Legal Counsel Present

Nahale Kalfas

CC Staff Present

Greg Searls, Executive Director

Michelle Lynch, Program Coordinator

Members of the public were present.

Welcome & Call to Order

- Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. ET

Roll Call

- Director Searls called the roll. Committee members were present as noted above. A quorum was established with 6 of 9 voting committee members present.

Review and Adoption of the Agenda

- Chair Smith reviewed the agenda and asked for any discussion. She noted that the agenda would need to be amended to include a review of public comments on the proposed rules.
- **Motion:** Vice Chair Alden made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. A. Irving seconded the motion. All committee members present voted in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

Review and Adoption of the Minutes

- Chair Smith invited a review of the minutes from the previous meeting. No changes were proposed.
- **Motion:** Vice Chair Alden made a motion to adopt the February meeting minutes as presented. Dr. Lawson seconded the motion. The motion carried with four in favor and one abstention.

Public Comment review

- The committee reviewed and discussed public comments on the Rule on Consistent Credentialing, including two submissions proposing alternative credential designation options.
- The committee agreed that the current options feel somewhat cumbersome, but that clarity may outweigh that concern. The committee charged Director Searls with distributing a stakeholder poll, including the options discussed, to gather additional feedback.

Records Retention Policy

- The committee discussed the need for a records retention framework covering both Commission-controlled records and records within CompactConnect. Legal Counsel Kalfas advised that a rule may be more appropriate than a policy, as applicants and states may be affected.
- The committee began drafting a rule. Legal Counsel Kalfas recommended revisiting the topic at the next meeting to allow time for her to research the legal requirements, best practices, and approaches used by other compacts.

Committee questions or comments

- No Comments were received.

Public Comment

- No Comments were received.

Adjourn

- Hearing no objections, Chair Smith declared the meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m. ET