



Board Meeting Notice and Agenda Public Board Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, November 18, 2025

TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Or Until Completion of Business

LOCATION: Headquarters – Department of Consumer Affairs
1625 N. Market Blvd, 1st Floor Hearing Room
Sacramento, CA 95834

The Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board) will meet on the above-noted date and time, at the physical location, above, available for members of the Board and the public to physically attend and participate in the meeting.

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Tuesday, November 18, 2025 – 9:30 a.m. start time Webex link:

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Tuesday, November 18, 2025

OPEN SESSION

10:00 a.m. Board Meeting Begins.

- 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum** - Dr. Carel Mountain, Board President.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance** – Dr. Mountain, Board President.

3. **Introduction of Board Staff and Counsel** – Elaine Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.
4. **Review and Approval - Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2025** – Dr. Mountain, Board President.
 - A. August 15, 2025 - https://youtu.be/72DU-M_MvFA

Minutes are attached to meeting materials and the YouTube link is for reference.
5. **Fiscal and Budgets – Reports, Recommendations, and Possible Actions.**
 - A. Fund Condition and Budget Updates – Mark Ito, Assistant Executive Officer.
 - B. Update on the Revenue Study Project – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.
6. **Education - Reports, Recommendations, and Possible Actions.**

Committee Members: Dr. Mountain, Chairperson; Dr. Reem Olaby, Board Member; Nelly Nieblas, Board Member, Dr. Johnny Russell, Board Member.

 - A. Education Division Report – Dr. Judith McLeod, Supervising Nursing Education Consultant.
 - I. Review, Ratification and Approval of Executive Officer Program Decisions for period from August 5, 2025, to October 14, 2025.
 - a. Part-Time and/or Full-Time Class Commencements
California Career Institute, Anaheim, Vocational Nursing Program; Career Care Institute, Moreno Valley, Vocational Nursing Program; Career Care Institute, Oxnard, Vocational Nursing Program; Carrington College, San Jose, Vocational Nursing Program; Central Coast College Vocational Nursing Program; Clement Career College Vocational Nursing Program; CNI College Vocational Nursing Program; College of the Redwoods Psychiatric Technician Program; Contra Costa Medical Career College Vocational Nursing Program; Dalrada Career Institute Vocational Nursing Program; Gurnick Academy of Medical Arts, Sacramento, Vocational Nursing Program; Hacienda La Puente Adult Education, Willow Center, Psychiatric Technician Program; Hacienda La

Puente Adult Education, Willow Center, Vocational Nursing Program; High Desert Medical College, Lancaster, Vocational Nursing Program; High Desert Medical College, Temecula, Vocational Nursing Program; Homestead Schools, Inc., Costa Mesa, Vocational Nursing Program; Institute of Technology, Redding, Vocational Nursing Program; Los Angeles Job Corps Vocational Nursing Program; Medical Allied Career Center, Inc., Vocational Nursing Program; Marian College, Los Angeles, Vocational Nursing Program; Mendocino College Vocational Nursing Program; North-West College, Bakersfield, Vocational Nursing Program; North-West College, San Diego, Vocational Nursing Program; Pacific College, Ontario, Vocational Nursing Program; San Leandro Adult and Career Education Center Vocational Nursing Program; Southeast College, Monterey Park, Vocational Nursing Program; Stanbridge University, Riverside, Vocational Nursing Program; Stanbridge University, San Diego, Vocational Nursing Program; Unitek College, Hayward, Vocational Nursing Program; and West Los Angeles College Vocational Nursing Program.

b. Opened School Approvals

College of the Redwoods Psychiatric Technician Program; Mendocino College Vocational Nursing Program; Pacific College, Ontario, Vocational Nursing Program; and West Los Angeles College Vocational Nursing Program.

c. Continued Program Approval

Angeles College, Los Angeles, Vocational Nursing Program; California Career Institute, Anaheim, Vocational Nursing Program; College of Nursing & Technology Vocational Nursing; North-West College, Bakersfield, Vocational Nursing Program; Santa Barbara City College Vocational Nursing Program; Unitek College, Bakersfield, Vocational Nursing Program; and Unitek College, San Jose, Vocational Nursing Program.

d. Approval or Change in Curriculum

College of the Redwoods Psychiatric Technician Program; Mendocino College Vocational Nursing Program; Pacific College, Ontario, Vocational Nursing Program and Palo Verde College Vocational Nursing Program; and West Los Angeles College Vocational Nursing Program.

- e. Multiple Requests and Approvals
California Career Institute, Anaheim, Vocational Nursing Program; College of Nursing & Technology Vocational Nursing; Gurnick Academy of Medical Arts, Sacramento, Vocational Nursing Program; Los Angeles Job Corp Vocational Nursing Program; Marian College, Los Angeles, Vocational Nursing Program; Meta Polytechnic Vocational Nursing Program; and Unitek College, Hayward, Vocational Nursing Program.
 - f. Requests Deferred to the Board
Glendale Career College Vocational Nursing Program; North-West College, West Covina, Vocational Nursing Program; and Stanbridge University, San Diego, Vocational Nursing Program
 - g. Denied Proposed Program Approval
Alpha First Medical Academy Vocational Nursing Program
 - h. Administrative Closures
California Career College, Canoga Park, Vocational Nursing Program
- B. Request for Continued Program Approval and Removal from the List of Approved Schools on December 21, 2025.
 - I. Smith Chason School of Nursing, Ontario, Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. McLeod, Supervising Nursing Education Consultant
- C. Request to Admit Students
 - I. Quest Nursing Education Center Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. Cindy Fairchild, Nursing Education Consultant
 - II. Summit College, San Bernardino, Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. Roberta Thomson, Nursing Education Consultant
- D. Request to Admit Students and Request for Curriculum Revision
 - I. Angeles Institute Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. Thomson Nursing Education Consultant
- E. Consideration for Provisional Approval and Request to Admit Students
 - I. Glendale Career College Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. McLeod, Supervising Nursing Education Consultant

- II. North-West College, West Covina, Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. McLeod, Supervising Nursing Education Consultant
- F. Consideration of Recommendation to Rescind Pattern of Admission and for Provisional Approval
 - I. San Bernardino Valley College Psychiatric Technician Program – Dr. Thomson, Nursing Education Consultant
- G. Consideration of Recommendation to Rescind Pattern of Admission
 - I. Unitek College, San Jose, Vocational Nursing Program – Jessica Gomez, Nursing Education Consultant
- H. Consideration of Remove Program from the Approved Program List
 - I. California Healthcare Skills Center Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. Thomson, Nursing Education Consultant
- I. Consideration of Recommendation to Deny Request to Admit Students
 - I. Stanbridge University, San Diego, Vocational Nursing Program – Dr. Fairchild, Nursing Education Consultant
- 7. Executive Officer's Report – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.**
 - A. Update, Discussion and Possible Actions – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.
 - I. Respiratory Care Board Regulations Regarding Respiratory Tasks and Services
 - II. Committees, Upcoming Meetings, Member Training Calendar 2027
 - III. NCSBN Annual Report Program
 - B. Executive Committee Report – Dr. Mountain, Board President.

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- 8. Licensing and Evaluations – Report, Recommendations, and Possible Actions.**
Committee Members: Gloria Guzman, Chairperson; Ms. Nieblas, Board Member.

- A. Licensing Division Report – Shelley Brown, Licensing Manager.
- B. Licensing Committee Report – Ms. Brown, Licensing Manager.

9. Legislative and Regulations – Report, Recommendations, and Possible Actions.

Committee Members: Aleta Carpenter, Chairperson; Dr. Olaby, Board Member.

- A. Legislative and Regulations Committee Report – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.
- B. 2026 Rulemaking Calendar
- C. Final Report on 2025 Bills
- D. Discussion and Possible Action to Seek a Legislative Proposal to Amend Business and Professions Code Sections 2892.8 and 4545.4 Regarding Retired Licenses – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.
- E. Discussion and Possible Action to Seek a Legislative Proposal to Amend Business and Professions Code Regarding New Program Approvals – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.
- F. Discussion and Possible Action to Seek a Legislative Proposal to Amend Business and Professions Code Regarding Respiratory Care Scope of Practice. – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.

10. Enforcement / Investigation – Report, Recommendations, and Possible Actions.

Committee Members: Lessie Moore, Chairperson; Rashima Sonson, Board Member.

- A. Enforcement Division Report – Antoinette Wood, Enforcement Division Chief.
- B. Investigation Division Report – Stacie Higashi, Supervising Special Investigator.
- C. Enforcement Committee Report – Ms. Wood, Enforcement Division Chief

11. Psychiatric Technician Ad-hoc Committee – Report, Recommendations, and Possible Actions.

Committee Members: Ms. Moore, Board Member.

A. Psychiatric Technicians Committee Report – Ms. Yamaguchi, Executive Officer.

I. Meeting with California Association of Psychiatric Technicians

II. Presentation at California Psychiatric Technician Educators (CAPTE) Conference

III. Coalition-Building

12. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda – Dr. Mountain, Board President.

Note: *The Board may not discuss or take any action on any item raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting pursuant to Government Code sections 11125 and 11125.7(a).*

13. Suggestions for Future Agenda Items – Dr. Mountain, Board President.

14. Closed Session.

A. The Board will convene in closed session pursuant to Government Code section 11126, subdivision (c)(3) to deliberate and vote on disciplinary matters.

B. The Board will convene in closed session pursuant to Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e), to received advice from legal counsel on pending litigation.

I. *Dr. Jeffrey Barczak, DO; Lea Romero; California Cosmetics PC v. Osteopathic Medical Board (OMBC); Medical Board of California (MBC); Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT); Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA); Elaine Yamaguchi, individually; Does 1 through 50; Sacramento County Superior Court, Case No. 25CV021031.*

- II. *Angelo Marta III v. Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, et al.*; Santa Clara County Superior Court, Case No. 25CV458658.
- III. *Cassandra Claiborne v. California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians*; Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 24STCP03219.

15. Adjourn Meeting.

The mission of the California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (Board) is to protect the public. Public protection is paramount to the Board and its highest priority in exercising its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. Toward this end, the Board ensures that only qualified persons are licensed vocational nurses and psychiatric technicians by enforcing education requirements, standards of practice, and by educating consumers of their rights.