

BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

AGENDA

Date: February 2, 2024
Time: 12:30 p.m.
Location: Virtual Videoconference Meeting—Zoom Webinar (see link below)
In-Person Meeting Location: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
335 Merchant Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
Phone: (669) 900-6833
Meeting ID: <https://dcca-hawaii-gov.zoom.us/j/85377201087>
Webinar ID: 853 7720 1087
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1. Call to Order
2. Legislative Session

The Board to review, discuss, and form positions as needed on the following measures introduced by the Hawaii State Legislature for the 2024 legislative session. The Board will review recommendations from its Legislative Committee, as well as review previous testimonies on measures that have similar or same content as those introduced in 2024. (Measures listed by subject). Please be advised that the Board may vote to adjust its Legislative Committee as needed to review bills with no previous determination, including, but not limited to: HB1648; HB1649; HB1830; HB2068; SB2489; SB2049.

The Board may enter into Executive Session to consult with the Board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with HRS section 92-5(a)(4) to review the executive session minutes.

Provisional Licensure

A. SB0343-Relating to Mental Health

Establishes provisional or associate-level licensure requirements for marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists and authorizes insurance reimbursements in certain circumstances. Allows psychologist license applicants to sit for the licensing examination before completing certain other requirements. Allows the Board of Psychology to grant licensure waivers in certain circumstances for psychologists. Authorizes insurance reimbursements for services provided by a supervised social work intern in certain circumstances.

B. HB1830-Relating to Mental Health

Establishes provisional or associate-level licensure requirements for marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists and authorizes insurance reimbursements in certain circumstances. Requires psychologist license applicants to possess a doctoral degree and complete certain supervised experience requirements before sitting for the licensing examination. Authorizes insurance reimbursements for services provided by a supervised social work intern in certain circumstances. Appropriates funds. Parts II, III, IV, and V effective 7/1/2026.

C. SB1444-Relating to Mental Health

Establishes provisional or associate level licensure requirements for marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists and authorizes insurance reimbursements in certain circumstances. Allows psychologist license applicants to take licensing examinations before completing other requirements.

D. SB2243-Relating to Mental Health

Establishes associate-level licensure requirements for marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists and authorizes insurance reimbursements in certain circumstances. Allows psychologist license applicants to take licensing examinations before completing other requirements.

School Psychology

E. SB958-Relating to School Psychology

Establishes licensure requirements for school psychologists to be administered by the board of psychology. Requires all school psychologists to be licensed by

7/1/2025. Increases the composition of the board of psychology to include two school psychologists.

F. HB1648-Relating to School Psychology

Establishes licensure requirements for school psychologists to be administered by the board of psychology. Requires all school psychologists to be licensed by 7/1/2026. Increases the composition of the board of psychology to include two school psychologists.

G. HB1649-Relating to Education

Establishes a nationally certified school psychologist incentive program. Appropriates funds for the incentive program.

H. SB2010-Relating to Education

Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, requires each public school and public charter school in the State to employ, or retain under contract, at least one mental health professional for every two hundred fifty students enrolled, subject to certain conditions. Requires the Department of Education to submit a progress report to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2025. Appropriates funds for the Department of Education to contract for mental health professionals and to establish an unspecified number of full-time equivalent mental health professional positions within the Department of Education.

Prescriptive Authority for Certain Psychologist

I. SB2489-Relating to Prescriptive Authority For Clinical Psychologists

Authorizes and establishes procedures and criteria for prescriptive authority for clinical psychologists who meet specific education, training, and registration requirements. Requires the Board of Psychology to accept applications for prescriptive authority privilege beginning 7/1/2025. Requires the Board of Psychology to report to the Legislature. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Makes an appropriation to the Board of Psychology to implement prescriptive authority privilege for certain clinical psychologists.

J. SB760-Relating to Psychologists

Requires the Board of Psychology to establish a pilot program to grant prescriptive authority to qualified psychologist applicants statewide. Repeals on 8/31/2028.

K. SB2049-Relating to Psychologists

Establishes a five-year pilot program to allow qualified psychologists limited authority to prescribe psychotropic medications to patients under the care of the psychologist at a federally qualified health center. Requires a report to the Legislature. Repeals June 30, 2030.

State Mental Health Program

L. HB2068-Relating to Psychologists

Authorizes the director of health to appoint psychologists to fill staff positions for the state mental health program.

3. Applications

A. Applications for Board Review

The Board will enter into Executive Session pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes sections 92-5(a)(1) and 92-5(a)(4) to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both and to consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Examination

- (1) Tara Sanderson
- (2) Safieh Fard
- (3) Jamie Higa

4. Review and Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

The Board may enter into Executive Session to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with HRS section 92-5(a)(4) to review the executive session minutes.

- A. Meeting minutes of November 3, 2023
- B. Meeting Minutes of January 12, 2024

5. Next Meeting

Friday, March 2, 2024
Virtual Conference—Zoom Webinar, and
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building

6. Adjournment

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