

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

A G E N D A

(AMENDED**)**

Date: February 1, 2024

Time: 1:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: King Kalakaua Conference Room
HRH King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Agenda: The agenda was posted to the State electronic calendar as required by Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") section 92-7(b).

If you wish to submit written testimony on any agenda item, please submit your testimony to acupuncture@dcca.hawaii.gov or by hard copy mail to Attn: Board of Acupuncture, P.O. Box 3469, Honolulu, HI 96801. We request submission of testimony at least 24 hours prior to the meeting to ensure that it can be distributed to the Board members.

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes of the December 7, 2023, Meeting
3. Executive Officer's Report
 - a. Update on Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 16 Chapter 72
 - b. Bills from 2023 that have been carried over to the 2024 Regular Session:

SB845 SD1 Relating to Acupuncture. Makes comprehensive changes to chapter 436E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding acupuncture practitioners, to reflect modernized scope of practice, titles, and licensing and renewal requirements. Authorizes the board of acupuncture to establish an alternative pathway for physician licensure in acupuncture. Beginning with the renewal for the licensing biennium commencing 7/1/2025, requires licensees to obtain thirty hours of continuing education per licensing biennium. Appropriates funds to the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to update the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division's internal database. In the 2023 session, this bill passed second reading as amended (SD1).

HB641 and SB946 Relating to Acupuncture. Makes comprehensive changes to chapter 436E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding acupuncture practitioners, to reflect modernized scope of practice, titles, and licensing and renewal requirements. Beginning with the renewal for the licensing biennium commencing 7/1/2025, requires licensees to complete continuing education as determined by the board. Allows the board to issue licenses by reciprocity. Neither HB641 nor SB946 were scheduled for hearing in 2023.

4. Applications

The Board may enter into Executive Session to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for licensure in accordance with section 92-5(a)(1), HRS, and/or 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 section 92-5(a)(4), HRS.

a. Ratifications

Acupuncturists

ACU-1430-0	Sharon C. Pae
ACU-1431-0	Connie Jo Hamilton
ACU-1432-0	Tianan McGuire
ACU-1433-0	Leah B. Baggao

Interns

None

5. New Business

a. Discussion on the Board's aims and objectives for 2024

6. Unfinished Business

a. None

7. Next Meeting: April 4, 2024

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8. Adjournment

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