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BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Verifying Applicant Competency to Practice Optometry During the Current Coronavirus-related State of Emergency

> Friday, September 18, 2020 1:00 p.m. until the close of business

This public meeting will be held via WebEx Events. To participate in the Webex meeting, please log on to the website on the day of the meeting using the links below.

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Action may be taken on any item on the agenda.

- 1. Call to Order / Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum
- 2. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

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

- 3. Introduction of New Board Member Dr. Jeffrey Garcia, O.D.
- 4. Presentation by the Office of Professional Examination Services (OPES)
 - a. NBEO Examinations and California Optometry Laws and Regulations Examination
 - b. Summary of Policy and Legal Mandates
 - c. Examples of Other Board Examinations Impacted by COVID-19

- d. Examples of DCA Waivers Granted in Response to COVID-19
- 5. Discussion of Presentation by Optometry College/School Deans and California Optometric Association Regarding Need for Accommodations and Impacts to Students
- 6. Discussion of Alternatives to the NBEO Exam for 2021 Graduates/Licensure Applicants
- 7. Discussion of Consumer, Applicant and Employment Impacts and Possible Action to Adopt a Plan for Alternate Competency Verification

8. Adjournment

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