

1 NEW YORK STATE BOARD FOR CHIROPRACTIC  
2 MINUTES OF MEETING  
3 State Board for Chiropractic  
4 Thursday, January 15, 2025  
5 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
6 New York State Education Department  
7 Manhattan Regional OPD Office  
8 1411 Broadway, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Regents Room  
9 New York, NY 10018  
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13 **PRESENT:** Michael Zumpano, Ph.D., D.C. (attended via zoom); Chair, Douglas Taber, D.C.;  
14 Vice-Chair (attended via zoom), Joshua Handt, D.C., Kentia Jean-Charles, D.C.; Rita Capaccio, D.C.;  
15 Ricky Cavallaro, D.C.  
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17 **STAFF:** Steven Calderon, Executive Secretary, Michael Puspurs  
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19 **Guests:** Gary DiBenedetto, D.C., NBCE; Joe Baudille, D.C., NYCC, Rennie Statler, D.C.,  
20 NYCC  
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22 **Welcome and Review of Agenda:**  
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24 Dr. Zumpano welcomed everyone and made a motion to call the meeting to order at 10:41 a.m.  
25 Formal introductions followed.  
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27 **MINUTES:**

28 The minutes of the September 11, 2025 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to approve  
29 the minutes as amended (Handt/Cavallaro).  
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31 **BOARD CHAIR REPORT:**

32 Dr. Zumpano began his report by making a Motion to approve the agenda (Handt/Capaccio).  
33 Dr. Zumpano stated that the Board uses Roberts' Rules of order as a guide for our board  
34 meetings.  
35 Dr. Zumpano discussed how many chiropractors in New York State were licensed in the  
36 different counties.  
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38 **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT:**

39 Dr. Calderon began his report by informing members that the updated mandated reporter training  
40 could be used for CE credit and he told members they will get a total of three CE credits. Dr. Calderon  
41 stated that this requirement needs to be completed by November 17, 2026.

42 Dr. Calderon stated that he attended the FLCB Meeting in Portland Maine from September 18-  
43 21, 2025. Dr. Calderon stated that he appreciated Dr. Little's presentation on college pricing, student  
44 debt, and the increasing competition for graduate education. He also informed the members that Dr.  
45 Little expressed concern about the potential impact of these trends on smaller chiropractic schools. Dr.  
46 Calderon stated that the Scope Modernization Bill passed the Senate, and the bill had a few  
47 recommended changes. NYSCA stated that the recommended changes have been addressed. Dr.  
48 Calderon informed members that he was informed that the Scope Modernization Bill will be called early  
49 in the Legislative session. Dr. Calderon stated that if the Scope Modernization Bill is enacted, the board  
50 office will need to draft new regulations. He advised the members that the regulations would be

51 developed by the board office with input from board members, through committee review, and with  
52 guidance from OP legal.

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54 **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

55 Legislative Committee – Dr. Zumpano, Chair, stated that he will invite New York Chiropractic Council  
56 to report first. Dr. Statler stated that not much has changed since September. Dr. Statler stated that the  
57 New York Chiropractic Council is focusing on the Non- discrimination Bill, IME reform legislation, a  
58 preceptorship bill and a CCE bill. Dr. Calderon delivered the NYSCA legislative report and noted that  
59 NYSCA is advancing a look back audit bill, A.3565B, which would limit audits to a three-month period.  
60 NYSCA amended the bill to address concerns raised by the Assembly. Dr. Calderon stated that NYSCA  
61 is also working on the Partnership Bill, where chiropractors can form business partnerships with medical  
62 doctors. NYSCA’s report stated that the Credit Card Bill passed both houses and was signed by the  
63 Governor in 2025.

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65 Practice Committee – Dr. Handt Chair, informed members that chiropractors must complete the updated  
66 mandated reporter training by November 17, 2026.

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68 Public Information Committee - Dr. Jean-Charles, Chair, stated that there is nothing new to report.

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70 Outreach Committee – Dr. Taber, Chair, stated that he sent emails on November 13 to Northeast College  
71 of Health Sciences and D’Youville Chiropractic College. Dr. Taber did not hear back from D’Youville,  
72 but indicated that Dr. Mestan responded from NECHS indicating that Northeast is committed to  
73 achieving representative diversity among chiropractic practitioners and consumers, and while they do  
74 have such items imbedded within college policy and procedures, their expressions and outputs can be  
75 seen in scholarships, specific-population clinical outreaches, student clubs and their activities, and the  
76 NECHS values statement to mention a few.

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78 Program Review Committee (extension of the practice committee) – Dr. Capaccio, Chair stated that  
79 there is nothing new to report.

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81 **OLD BUSINESS:**

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83 ● Part IV Boards update- Dr. DiBenedetto stated that said this May 2026 will be the last time the  
84 Part IV exams will be given at the chiropractic colleges. Dr. DiBenedetto stated that the Part IV exams  
85 will also be given at Greeley Colorado too. Dr. DiBenedetto stated that after May 2026 the Part IV  
86 exams will only be given in Greeley, Colorado. Dr. Jean-Charles and Dr. Capaccio agreed to be the  
87 Part IV examiners for the May 2026 exam,

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89 ● FAQ’s for Student Survey- Dr. Calderon stated that the FAQ’s for Student Survey are still  
90 with Legal.

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92 **Questions and Answers:** The Board discussed how preceptorship is included in the Scope  
93 Modernization Bill.

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95 Next Meeting Date: June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at D’Youville Chiropractic College in Buffalo.

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97 **ADJOURNMENT:**

98 Dr. Zumpano, Chair, thanked all for their participation and asked for a motion to adjourn at 11:33  
99 a.m. (Handt /Jean-Charles). Motion unanimously approved

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101 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

102 A motion was made to enter Executive Session at 11:34 a.m. (Handt /Jean-Charles) The  
103 disciplinary case was discussed. The Board motioned out of Executive Session at 12:06 p.m. (Handt  
104 / Cavallaro).

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