

**Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
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 Collaborative Optometric/Ophthalmological Task Force Advisory Board Meeting**

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Date: June 13, 2017
 Meeting Convened: 2:32 P.M.
 Meeting Adjourned: 3:17 P.M.
 Location: IDFPR Springfield Office, 320 W. Washington St., Room 285
 IDFPR Chicago Office, 100 W Randolph St., Room 375

Roll Call: Vince Brandys, OD
 Sohail Hasan, M.D., Ph.D
 Michael Horstman, Task Force Member
 Erin O'Brien, Task Force Member

Staff Present: Munaza Aman, Assistant General Counsel, IDFPR
 Kathleen Alcorn, IDFPR
 Samantha Oritz, IDFPR Law Clerk
 Urooj Shuaib, IDFPR Law Clerk
 Keval Amin, IDFPR Intern
 Priyanka Patel, IDFPR Intern

Guests Present: Geoffrey Goodfellow, Leigh Ann Vanousdoll, Richard Paul, Matthew Jones

Topic	Discussion	Action
Roll Call	Task Force Members Present: Vince Brandys, OD Sohail Hasan, M.D., Ph.D Michael Horstman Erin O'Brien	Meeting called to order.
Approval of May 9, 2017 Minutes	Dr. Hasan provided suggested edits for clarification to the draft meeting minutes examined by the Task Force.	A motion was made by Horstman/ seconded by O'Brien to approve the May 9, 2017 meeting minutes with Dr. Hasan's suggested edits for clarification. Motion passed unanimously.

<p>Analysis of Task Force Action</p>	<p>Dr. Hasan thanked meeting guest Geoffrey Goodfellow, OD, FAAO, Associate Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Assessment and Records at the Illinois College of Optometry, for his educational presentation at the May 9, 2017 meeting, and requested that Dr. Goodfellow provide the Task Force with additional information regarding the differences between externship and residency training, and the extent to which optometry students make independent diagnoses as opposed to merely observing patient interactions.</p> <p>Dr. Goodfellow described the progression of learning from first year of optometry schooling through fourth and final year. He explained that accreditation standards require students experience a broad range of patient settings, and students are regularly evaluated and routed to gain broad exposure during their education. Whereas externships are completed during the fourth year of optometry school, residencies are one year of optional additional training in a specialty area. Dr. Goodfellow described the vetting process for externship placement sites. In addition to initial vetting, minimum qualifications, and grading rubrics, programs are regularly checked to ensure that students obtain quality training. For instance, patient logs must match the experiences the externship site states it will provide students, and student evaluations are carefully scrutinized to ensure that exposure is what was represented. Site visits may be conducted when indicated.</p> <p>In addition to externship experience, optometry students gain experience at The Illinois Eye</p>	
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	<p>Institute, one of the largest eye care providers in the United States, located onsite at the Illinois College of Optometry. Students begin seeing patients in their very first year. The City of Chicago provides patient volume, complexity, and case diversity for students to learn.</p> <p>Lastly, Dr. Goodfellow provided information about national and state board examinations for optometry.</p> <p>Mr. Horstman provided information regarding continuing education required for Illinois licensed optometrists. Unlike other health care professions, optometrists are required to be tested on continuing education courses taken.</p> <p>Mr. Horstman led a discussion on the timeline for proposing recommendations.</p> <p>The Task Force Members agreed that this meeting and the previous meeting have resulted in fruitful and meaningful discussion, and the goal for the next meeting will be to work on proposing required curriculum.</p>	
<p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. 2017 Meeting Dates II. Deadlines 	<p>It was confirmed with the Task Force members that the next meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2017 at 2:30 p.m., with the following meeting scheduled August 22, 2017, at 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>Ophthalmology - Final Education Curriculum Due September 2017</p>	

Adjournment		There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Horstman / seconded by Hasan to adjourn at 3:17 PM. Motion passed unanimously.
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