## PRODUCER LICENSING (P/C & L/H) ADVISORY BOARDS

Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Date: December 12, 2023** 

Call to order: A joint meeting of the Producer Licensing Life & Health Advisory Board and the Producer Licensing Property & Casualty Advisory Board was held virtually with the Maryland Insurance Administration on December 12, 2023. The meeting convened at 10:0 am and was called to order by Shelley Taylor-Barnes. 10:00am

Attendance was taken and MIA staff members were introduced. The covered topics and summaries are listed below.

Life/Health Advisory Board		
Last Name	First Name	Present (Yes/No)
Melcher	Lynette	N
Carter	Deedra	Y
Listori	Lucille	N
Tegeler	Harvey	N
Wilson	Venus	Y
Moreira	Roy	Y
Parker	Janet	Y
Kearney	Stephanie	Y
Cabrera	Vanessa	Y

Property/Casualty Advisory Board			
Last Name	First Name	Present (Yes/No)	
Mattes	Peter	Y	
Papa	Michael	Y	
Klinger	Robert	N	
Guttman	Benjamin	Y	
Ertel	Michael	N	
Zatkowski	Jennifer	Y	
Conner	Sharon	Y	

#### **Maryland Insurance Administration Staff Attendees:**

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	Mary Kwei, Associate Commissioner of Market Regulation & Professional Licensing	
	Shelley Taylor-Barnes, Director of Producer Licensing	
	Lorelei Brillante, Supervisor of Customer Service / Education Analyst	
	Jeff Gross, Chief Enforcement Officer	
	Arica Cole, Licensing Specialist / Producer Advisory Board Liaison	

#### **Meeting Topics and Summaries**

#### **Opening Remarks**

Shelley Taylor- Barnes, Director of Producer Licensing made a motion to approve the June 13, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and the motion passed.

# **Summary of Exam Review Workshop**

Taylor-Barnes asked the Producer Advisory board members who attended the Exam Review Workshop (ERW) to provide feedback on their experience. Advisory board members provided positive feedback on their experiences. The Administration thanked those board members for their participation.

# **Spanish Examination Status**

Shelley Taylor-Barnes, informed the Producer Advisory Board (PAB) of the recent updates to the Spanish exam. The Spanish exam is now available. The MIA's Communication team recently updated the Administration website with details on how to take the Spanish exam. Taylor- Barnes displayed the MIA website with the updates and walked the PAB through the procedure to sign up for the Spanish examination.

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#### **Super CE Issue**

Lorelei Brillante, Supervisor of Customer Service/ Education Analyst informed the Advisory board of the NAIC Education Task Force ongoing concern with efforts by providers to circumvent continuing education requirements by offering courses dubbed "Super CE." Brillante discussed the negative impact of Super CE. The Administration requested the PAB assistance by notifying the Administration if they become aware of any providers that are not complying with the rules and regulations of the state of Maryland.

### Removing Pre-Licensing Education Requirements Discussion

Mary Kwei, Associate Commissioner of Market Regulation and Professional Licensing opened the floor for PAB members to provide their thoughts on removing the Pre-licensing requirement. The MIA is aware that an organization may draft and submit a bill to remove the pre-licensing requirements. PAB members provided their favorable input on the removal of the pre-licensing requirements.

# **Upcoming Producer Advisory Board Meetings Super CE Issue**

March 12, June 11, September 10, December 10, 2024.

At 11:25 a.m., a motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.