

Colorado Coalition of Massage Therapists  
Teleconference 07-18-2018  
Agenda for 09-05-2018 teleconference

In attendance:

David Abbott, AMTA member  
Tricia Bardon, AMTA National Senior Government Relations Specialist  
Deborah Bruce, AMTA National Delegate  
Laura Embleton, ABMP Government Relations Director  
Charlotte Gill, AMTA National Government Relations Manager  
David Gray, AMTA/GR member  
Andy Kissick  
Dawn Lewis, ABMP member  
Bob McAtee, AMTA member  
Roger Patrizio, Colorado Massage Institute  
Tami Schumacher, AMTA – Colorado Chapter President  
Tsy Schupack, CCMT volunteer; ABMP member  
Chris Smith, Colorado School of Healing Arts  
Nancy Specian, AMTA-Colorado Chapter Secretary  
Kathryn Stewart, CCMT volunteer; AMTA member  
Garin Vorthman, Colorado Legislative Services; state lobbyist  
Alfred Westlake, AMTA and ABMP member  
Kris Wills, Colorado School of Healing Arts

**1) State legislation:**

- Garin – will continue to reach out to Colorado Municipal League (CML) regarding proposing templates, guidelines and educational material to assist in educating CML members regarding local massage establishment ordinances
- Tami – requested Garin reach out to DORA in advance of license renewal to inquire of current cost expectations

**2) National legislation:**

- No activity to report

**3) AMTA LLEAD Grant application results:**

- David Gray reported the AMTA-CO Chapter application has been approved and funding will be received
- Tami provided historical background of the LLEAD grant

**4) CCMT organizational:**

- Kathryn emphasized the unique vehicle CCMT provides—AMTA, ABMP and other participants coming together as a coalition for the greater good of the industry is invaluable and only happens in Colorado
- Kathryn provided reminders to avoid irregularities in protocol:
  - respect request of proposals/action plans to be sent to the steering committee for review, rather than promotion to a greater audience
  - realizing the CCMT distribution emailing list may have unfortunately been made available—that does not in any way suggest the list, nor individuals on the list, have agreed to receive unsolicited emails from individuals
  - permission is to be secured if one wishes to email to the current CCMT distribution emailing list
- Tsy and Kathryn have met and will be offering amended recommendations regarding the CCMT Moving Forward document to the Steering Committee for consideration in the next few weeks

## 5) CCMT Post Legislative Session Happy Hour

- General suggestion was made to poll place and time

## 6) CCMT engaging DPOS on behalf of CE Providers - Comments

- Tami –feels it would be very costly, time consuming and beyond available means; greater than our one industry can take on. As well as a huge endeavor to get involved with this much larger issue than our massage industry alone could handle.
- Charlotte - anticipate the upcoming Sunset Review and preparation/polling of membership and CE issues
- Tsy – encouraged CE Providers to develop a Provider Coalition if they wish to seek exemption by DPOS as such would open a market and provide economic benefit to CE Providers.
- Deborah – professional organizations should consider providing defense support or intervention for CE Providers who are subjects of DPOS enforcement actions. Individual CE Providers are too small and deserve support of professional organizations.
- David Gray – supports the endeavor yet understands the cost and burdens involved.
- Dawn – spoke to her personal and CE Provider business interactions with current DPOS enforcement issues
- Bob – spoke to past interactions with AMTA-CO CE offerings and DPOS noting a decline in revenue due to DPOS enforcement.
- Tami – AMTA is currently in compliance and has received approval from DPOS to offer trainings to both members and non-members.
- Laura – expressed appreciation for Alfred’s engagement in the issue and expressed a lack of resources to pursue CE Provider issues at this time.
- Alfred – revisited his 07-07-2018 email <https://goo.gl/y2Kiy1> Stated most CE instructors and schools are affiliated with AMTA/ABMP. Organizations need to be looking out for people who are their members. Organizations claim to represent membership yet have been resistant to polling members in the past.
- Laura – there is an interest in polling membership that would not push a particular agenda
- Tami – AMTA is also available for polling feedback
- Alfred - questioned where this discussion leaves a decision to pursue this issue
- Kathryn – the matter will go to the Steering Committee for a vote

## 7) Agenda for next teleconference 09-05-2018 at 8:00 a.m.

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- 1) State legislation update
- 2) National legislation update
- 3) CCMT organizational update
- 4) CCMT Post Legislative Session Happy Hour—determine where and when

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