

Colorado Coalition of Massage Therapists
Teleconference 01-09-2019
Agenda for 02-06-2019 teleconference

In attendance:

Shelly Brill, Advanced Therapy Institute of Touch
Laura Embleton, ABMP Government Relations Director
David Gray, AMTA – Colorado Chapter GR
Christine Hooper, AMTA National Program Manager, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs
Jason Richie, AMTA National Program Manager, Government Relations
Tami Schumacher, AMTA – Colorado Chapter President
Tsy Schupack, AMTA; CCMT Chair
Chris Smith, Colorado School of Healing Arts
James Specker, AMTA National Government & Industry Relations Director
Hailey Strampel, Chanda Center Administrative Assistant & Program Coordinator
Kathryn Stewart, AMTA; CCMT Chair Emeritus
Garin Vorthman, Colorado Legislative Services; state lobbyist
Alfred Westlake, AMTA and ABMP member
Kris Wills, Colorado School of Healing Arts

1) State legislation

- Garin – Slow start to legislative session, anticipates pace picking up
 - Education and Human Trafficking bills introduced to date do not appear associated with massage therapy
- Alfred – provided presentation for the Colorado Association of Licensed Massage Therapists currently working towards sponsorship/support for introducing a legislative amendment to DPOS statutes to allow NCBTMB approved continuing education courses to be exempt from DPOS oversight
 - details <https://calmt.org/solution/>

2) National legislation

- Laura – Establishment licensing remains a national trend
 - Minnesota considering licensing with competency rather than hour requirement
 - California school approval/MBLEx debacle continues

3) MTLAD – Massage Therapy Legislative Awareness Day

- Garin reports renovations at the Capitol may impact space and dates
- AMTA and ABMP coordinating reps will work with Garin on available dates

4) MTPA Sunset Review -- topics of future discussion

- Massage Therapy Practice Act (MTPA) continues through 2022 as recommended in 2012 Sunset Review https://www.sec.state.vt.us/media/699968/Massage-Therapists-DORA-SunsetReport-2012_Colorado.pdf
- Alfred – Consider statewide establishment licensing included in MTPA
- Tami – Continue to consider and add Sunset Review topics in future calls

Associated DORA documents:

CO Massage Therapy Practice Act <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B-K5DhxXxJZbdHJdTLjekhFZIk/view>

CO MTPA Rules and Regulations <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzKoVwvexVATakU1Uy1yQTFna1E/view>

- 5) The Colorado Association of Licensed Massage Therapists (CALMT) <https://calmt.org>
- Alfred has established an organization to provide broader representation of the interests of the Facebook Group – Colorado Licensed Massage Therapists <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1734065826808859>
 - The organization is currently working towards introducing a legislative amendment to DPOS statutes to allow NCBTMB approved continuing education courses to be exempt from DPOS oversight
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 - The organization may open to individual membership in the future

6) Agenda for next teleconference 02-06-2019 at 8:00 a.m.
Phone number 1 (571) 317-3112, access code 643 934 973

- 1) State legislation update
- 2) National legislation update

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