

MINUTES  
MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
JANUARY 10, 2024

The Mississippi State Board of Health met on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, in the Alton B. Cobb Auditorium of the Osborne Building, Jackson, MS at 1:00 pm.

Members Present:

Lucius M. Lampton, MD, FAAFP, Magnolia, MS - Chairman  
James P. Chaney, MD, Amory, MS - Vice Chairman  
Elayne Anthony, PhD, Madison, MS  
Frederick B. Carlton Jr., MD, Oxford, MS  
John D. Davis, IV, MD, Flowood, MS  
Elizabeth Edmiston, PT, Ocean Springs, MS  
Gene B. Hubbard, Jr., Magee, MS  
Robert J. Moody, Louisville, MS  
James L. Perry, Jackson, MS  
Thad Waites, MD, MACC, Hattiesburg, MS

Members Absent:

Lee Ann Griffin, PharmD, Jackson, MS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lucius M. Lampton, MD, FAAFP. Dr. Lampton asked everyone to stand for the prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The first item on the Agenda was the approval of the October 11, 2023 and December 12, 2023 Minutes. Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to approve the Minutes and second by Dr. Davis, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Daniel Edney, MD, FACP, FASAM, presented the State Health Officer's Report which included updates from Kathryn Taylor, MD., regarding Respiratory Virus Season, Congenital Syphilis, and Emergent Temporary Modification of Rules and Regulations Related to the National Erythromycin Shortage Impacting Neonatal Ocular Prophylaxis.

Sharon Dowdy, CPA presented the Financial Update.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Final Adoption of Amendments to the Mississippi Hospital Sustainability Grant Program Regulations
2. Reappointments to the Council of Advisors in Dietetics
3. Appointment and Reappointments to the Respiratory Care Advisory Council

Upon motion by Mr. Hubbard to approve the Consent Agenda and second by Dr. Anthony, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

## **Committee Reports**

Dr. Chaney gave an update on the Maternal and Infant Health Committee.

Dr. Carlton gave an update on the Emergency Medical Services Committee.

## **Old Business**

Caprice Knapp with Health Management Associates (HMA) gave an update on the Mississippi State Health Plan.

Upon motion by Mr. Perry to refer the update on the State Health Plan to the CON Committee for review and second by Dr. Davis, the Board unanimously approved the motion.

## **Executive Session**

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony to go into Executive Session to discuss a legal matter. Upon motion by Dr. Anthony and second by Dr. Davis, the Board entered Executive Session at 2:40 p.m. Upon motion by Dr. Carlton and second by Dr. Anthony, the Board returned to open session at 3:08 pm.

Dr. Lampton announced no action was taken in Executive Session.

Upon motion by Dr. Anthony and second by Dr. Carlton, the meeting was adjourned at 3:11 pm.

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Lucius M. Lampton, MD, FAAFP  
Chairman

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Daniel Edney, MD, FACP, FASAM  
State Health Officer