

**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION**

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**Notice of Hearing for the Adoption of**

**LCB File No. R135-23  
of the  
Board of Athletic Trainers**

**DATE & TIME:** April 19, 2024 @ 3:00 p.m.

**Public Access in Person:**

**Board Administrative Office**  
6170 Mae Anne Ave, Suite 1  
Reno, NV 89523

**Virtual Meeting Access Via Zoom:**

**Meeting ID: 897 506 8640**  
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The purpose of the hearing is to receive final comments from all interested parties regarding the adoption, amendment, and repeal of regulations that pertain to LCB File No. R135-23, Chapter 640B of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC).

A REGULATION relating to athletic trainers; correcting a statutory reference; revising fees relating to the licensing of athletic trainers; repealing certain duplicative provisions relating to athletic trainers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

**LCB File No. R135-23**

1. Need and purpose of the proposed regulations or amendments

The need for the proposed regulations is to address sections identified in the report to the Governor pursuant to Executive Order 2023-003 to potentially streamline, clarify, reduce, or otherwise improve regulations that pertain to Chapter 640B of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring that only qualified and competent athletic trainers are licensed in the state. The purpose of the adopted regulation is to provide clarity for the public, individuals, and licensees through regulations.

2. How to obtain the approved or revised text of regulations prepared by LCB

Individuals may obtain a copy of the proposed regulations by writing to the Board of Athletic Trainers, 6170 Mae Anne Ave, Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523; or by calling the Board office at 775-787-2636. The proposed regulations are also available for review and download on the Board website:

<http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>.

3. Methods used in determining the impact on a small business

Comments were solicited from small businesses, specifically licensed athletic trainers who are owners, operators or providers of athletic training services as self-employed practitioners by notification of a Public Hearing to Review Regulations held on 4/7/2023 and a Workshop to Solicit Comments on Proposed Regulation held on 11/17/2024. In addition, a Public Meeting was held on January 12, 2024 to review and discuss feedback received from the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) regarding the proposed regulation that was assigned File No. R135-23. The Board solicited comments from the public through a notice of a public hearing and workshop. Notice of the workshop and the hearing were noticed as required on three different websites and individual notices sent to the interested parties lists maintained by the Board. In addition, the Board submitted the proposed changes to all active licensees and other potentially affected parties to survey their thoughts regarding the proposed revisions. No small businesses commented on the regulation at the public hearing or workshop.

The Board used informed, reasonable judgement to determine there will be no impact on small businesses. In making this determination, the Board considered the comments received during the hearing and workshops, in addition to any comments received by email or mail.

4. Estimated economic effect of regulations on business and the public

a. Adverse and beneficial effects

The adoption of these regulations should have no adverse economic effect on business, the public or practitioners of athletic training. The benefits of these regulations are that the public, clients, employers, and athletic trainers will be provided clarity in NAC 640B.

b. Immediate and long-term effects

The immediate and long-term effects of the regulations proposed in R135-23 are to improve clarity and communication of practice requirements for athletic trainers in Nevada.

5. Cost for enforcement of the regulations

There are no additional costs involved in enforcing the proposed regulations.

6. Overlap or duplication of other state or local governmental agencies

The proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any regulation of other state or local governmental entities.

7. Regulation required by federal law

Not applicable

8. More stringent than federal regulations

The Board is not aware of any similar federal regulations of the same activity in which the state regulations are more stringent.

9. New or increases in existing fees

The regulation does not propose a new fee or increase an existing fee. The regulation removes certain fees that are no longer necessary and lowers the fees for initial licensure and renewal fees.

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed action of the Board of Athletic Trainers may appear at the scheduled public hearing or address their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the Board of Athletic Trainers, 6170 Mae Anne Ave., Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523. The Board of Athletic Trainers must receive all written submissions on or before **April 12, 2024**. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed action appears to request time to make an oral presentation, the Board of Athletic Trainers may proceed immediately to action upon any written submissions.

A copy of this notice and the regulations to be adopted, R135-23, will be on file at the Nevada State Library, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Copies of the notice and the regulations to be adopted, R135-23, will be available from the Board of Athletic Trainers, 6170 Mae Anne Ave., Suite 1, Reno, Nevada 89523, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business hours and will be available on the Board of Athletic Trainers website: <http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>. This notice and the text of the proposed regulations are also available in the State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations, which is prepared and published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the Internet at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us>. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will also be mailed to members of the public upon request.

Upon adoption of any regulations, the agency, if requested to do so by an interested person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the principal reasons for and against its adoption or incorporate therein its reason for overruling the consideration urged against its adoption.

This **Notice of Hearing** has been posted on the Board's website: <http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>; and may also be accessed at the following websites:

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Notice/A/> - Nevada Legislature Administrative Notices

<https://notice.nv.gov/> - State of Nevada Public Notices

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/register/> - State of Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations

**Dated:** March 19, 2024

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS**

**LCB File No. R135-23**

January 29, 2024

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 640B.260 and 640B.310; § 2, NRS 640B.250, 640B.260 and 640B.410; § 3, NRS 640B.260 and 640B.400.

A REGULATION relating to athletic trainers; correcting a statutory reference; revising fees relating to the licensing of athletic trainers; repealing certain duplicative provisions relating to athletic trainers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

**Section 1** of this regulation corrects a statutory reference to account for changes made by Assembly Bill No. 275 of the 2019 Legislative Session. (Section 61 of Assembly Bill No. 275, chapter 627, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4300)

Existing law requires the Board of Athletic Trainers to prescribe fees relating to the licensure of athletic trainers. (NRS 640B.410) **Section 2** of this regulation reduces the fees for: (1) an initial application for a license from \$300 to \$200; (2) the renewal of a license from \$150 to \$125; and (3) the issuance of a duplicate license from \$25 to \$1. **Section 2** additionally eliminates fees for: (1) a change of name on a license; (2) a list of business addresses of licensees on mailing labels; and (3) a dishonored check. **Section 2** also establishes reduced fees for an initial application for a license by: (1) an active member, the spouse of an active member, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States; and (2) an applicant who graduated from certain accredited institutions within 1 year before the date on which the application is submitted.

Existing law provides that words and terms defined in the Nevada Revised Statutes have the same meaning in corresponding provisions of the Nevada Administrative Code. (NRS 0.024) **Section 3** of this regulation repeals from the Nevada Administrative Code certain duplicative definitions that are set forth in the Nevada Revised Statutes. (NRS 640B.025, 640B.060, 640B.065)

Existing law provides that a license to engage in the practice of athletic training expires on June 30 of each year and may be renewed upon the submission of certain items before the license expires. (NRS 640B.400) **Section 3** repeals a duplicative requirement in Nevada Administrative Code that all items for the renewal of a license to engage in the practice of athletic training be submitted or postmarked on or before June 30 of each year.

**Section 1.** NAC 640B.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

640B.040 The passing grade for the examination required by paragraph ~~(g)~~ (f) of subsection 1 of NRS 640B.310 will be determined by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification, Inc., or its successor organization.

**Sec. 2.** NAC 640B.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

640B.060 1. ~~The~~ *Except as provided in subsections 2 and 3, the* Board will charge and collect the following fees:

For an initial application for a license .....	<del>300</del> 200
For the renewal of a license.....	<del>150</del> 125
For the restoration of an expired license .....	300
For the issuance of a duplicate license .....	<del>25</del>
<del>For a change of name on a license .....</del>	<del>25</del> 1
For a list of business addresses of licensees.....	25
<del>For a list of business addresses of licensees on mailing labels.....</del>	<del>100</del>
<del>For a dishonored check .....</del>	<del>25</del>

2. *If an applicant is an active member, the spouse of an active member, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the Board will charge a fee of \$100 for an initial application for a license.*

3. *If an applicant is a graduate of an institution of higher education in the State of Nevada that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education, or its successor organization, the Board will charge a fee of \$50 for an initial application for a*

*license if the application is submitted not later than 1 year after the date the degree was conferred.*

4. A fee charged and collected pursuant to this section:

(a) Must accompany the application or other documentation to which the fee pertains; and

(b) Is not refundable.

**Sec. 3.** NAC 640B.005, 640B.010, 640B.013, 640B.015 and 640B.050 are hereby repealed.

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### TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

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**640B.005 Definitions.** As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 640B.010, 640B.013 and 640B.015 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

**640B.010 “Board” defined.** “Board” means the Board of Athletic Trainers.

**640B.013 “License” defined.** “License” means a license to engage in the practice of athletic training issued pursuant to chapter 640B of NRS.

**640B.015 “Licensee” defined.** “Licensee” means a person who has been issued a license pursuant to chapter 640B of NRS.

**640B.050 Submission of items required for renewal of license.** All items required by NRS 640B.340 and 640B.400 for the renewal of a license must be received by the Board, or postmarked, not later than June 30 of each year. If the Board does not receive the items, or if the items are not postmarked, on or before June 30, the license expires.



# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS AGENDA AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

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**DATE & TIME:** April 19, 2024 @ 3:00 p.m.

**Virtual Meeting Access via Zoom:**

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The Board is pleased to invite individuals of the public to participate remotely using Zoom. To learn more about Zoom, go to <https://zoom.us/>. On the scheduled day and time of the meeting, visit the Zoom website and click “Join a Meeting.” You will be prompted to enter your name, along with the Meeting ID and Meeting Passcode above. Attendees on Zoom wishing to speak during public comment must raise their hand through the Zoom platform to be called upon by the Chair.

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*PLEASE NOTE: The Board may take items out of order, combine items for consideration, and items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time. Public comment will be taken at the beginning and end of the meeting. The public may provide comment on any matter within the Board’s jurisdiction and/or authority, whether or not that matter is a specific topic on the agenda. However, prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment on that item. (NRS 233B.126) Public comment that is willfully disruptive is prohibited, and individuals who willfully disrupt the meeting may be removed from the meeting. (NRS 241.030(5)(b)) The Board may convene in closed session to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of a person (NRS 241.030). Once all items on the agenda are completed, the meeting will adjourn.*

## AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order and introduction of members to determine the presence of a quorum.



2. Public comment.

*NOTE: Public comment is welcomed by the Board and may be limited to three minutes per person at the discretion of the Chair of the Board. Public comment will be allowed at the beginning and end of the meeting, as noted on the agenda. The Chair of the Board may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and at their sole discretion. Comments will not be restricted based on viewpoint. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken (NRS 241.020)*

3. Update on Board appointments. **(For Possible Action)**
4. Review and approve Board meeting minutes for November 17, 2023, January 12, 2024, and February 29, 2024. **(For Possible Action)**
5. Update on disciplinary action reports and investigation of unlicensed activity. **(Discussion)**
6. Review and discuss financial status of the Board, including approval of all claims and expenses from October 1, 2023 to February 29, 2024. **(For Possible Action)**
7. Review and approve a rate increase for bookkeeping services with Numbers, Inc., and additional fees for payroll services. **(For Possible Action)**
8. Review and approve the cost of printing the Renewal reminder postcards. **(For Possible Action)**
9. Review and discuss the documentation submitted by licensed athletic trainers in their dry needling applications and approve those who fulfill the statutory requirements for dry needling. **(For Possible Action)**
10. Review and approve the cost of sending a Board Chair, Kendell Galor, to the BOC Conference, as well as approve the cost of a possible second attendee and additional Board members attending virtually. **(For Possible Action)**
11. Review and approve the wording and posting of job listing for an investigator. **(For Possible Action)**
12. Public Adoption Hearing – R135-23. **(Discussion)**

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## Open Public Comments

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## Close Public Comments

13. LCB File No. R135-23 – Consideration of Public Comments. **(For Possible Action)**
14. Consideration of Adoption of Regulations – LCB File No. R135-23. **(For Possible Action)**
15. Review and approve a Board policy regarding legal names to be used on licenses, with nicknames or preferred names to be added in quotation marks. **(For Possible Action)**
16. Review and discuss feedback from the Subcommittee on Dry Needling on the possible addition of a six-year lookback policy to the Dry Needling application. **(Discussion)**
17. Discuss athletic trainers administering IV's and injections and a possible email to licensees for educational purposes. **(For Possible Action)**
18. Discuss the temporary license exemption and whether the exemption applies to athletic trainers from California, who are not licensed. **(For Possible Action)**
19. Report from Executive Secretary, Michelle Cothrun. **(Discussion)**
20. Report from Harry B. Ward, Deputy Attorney General. **(Discussion)**
21. Future agenda items. **(Discussion)**
22. Discussion and possible decision on date of next meeting. **(For Possible Action)**
23. Public comment.

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24. Adjournment. **(For Possible Action)**

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**Pursuant to NRS 241.030 the board may close the meeting to consider the character, misconduct, competence, or health of a person.**

**Items on the agenda may be taken out of order; items may be combined for consideration by the public body; and items may be pulled or removed from the agenda at any time.**

**Action by the Board on any item may be to approve, deny, amend, or table.**

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The Board may allow for public comments after each agenda item. In consideration of others, please limit your comments to no more than five (5) minutes. Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment. See NRS 233B.126. Public comment options may include, without limitation, telephonic or email comment. To submit public comment, contact Michelle Cothrun at (775) 787-2636 or [atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov).

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The Board is pleased to make reasonable accommodations for members of the public who are disabled and wish to participate in the meeting. If accommodations are necessary, please contact Michelle Cothrun, Executive Secretary, at (775) 787-2636 no later than three (3) business days before the meeting. Board meeting correspondence and supporting materials for this public workshop may also be obtained by contacting Michelle Cothrun at (775) 787-2636 or [atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov) or by visiting <http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>

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**NOTICES FOR THIS MEETING HAVE BEEN POSTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
NRS 241.020, ON OR BEFORE THE THIRD WORKING DAY BEFORE THE MEETING,  
AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:**

- \*State of Nevada, Department of Administration Public Notice website: <http://notice.nv.gov/>
- \*The Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainer's website: <http://nevadaathletictrainers.nv.gov/>
- \*The Board office at 6170 Mae Anne Avenue, Suite 1, Reno, NV 89523-4705

In addition, this notice/agenda was mailed, e-mailed or faxed to groups and individuals as requested.

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS (NSBAT)

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**DATE & TIME:** November 17, 2023 @ 1:00 p.m.

**Public Access in Person:**

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**1. Meeting called to order by Board Treasurer, Jeremy Fisher at 1:03 PM.**

**Board Members Present:** Jeremy Fisher, Treasurer; Leo Lozano, Public Board Member; Kendell Galor, Board Member, and Kristopher Bosch, Board Member.

**Staff Present:** Harry Ward, Deputy Attorney General; and Michelle Cothrun, Board Executive Secretary.

**Public Present:** Ariel Ives, Tedd Girouard, Dustin Hopfe, and Mike Sepiol.

**2. Public comment.** Jeremy Fisher asks if there is any public comment before the start of the meeting. Tedd Girouard asks if the workshop will be after the Board meeting. Michelle Cothrun confirms that is the plan. Harry Ward, Deputy Attorney General, adds that there will be public comment before the public workshop, after the workshop, and then at the conclusion of our meeting. The other members of the public in attendance do not have public comment. Michelle also confirms that she has not received any comment by email or other means. There is no further comment.

**3. Update on Board appointments and introduction of new Board members. (For Possible Action)** Jeremy Fisher asks Kendell Galor to introduce herself. Kendell informs the Board that she was unable to attend the last meeting, but that Kyle Moore had given a brief explanation of how they worked together with the Vegas Golden Knights. She has been an athletic trainer since 2015, working with Cirque Du Soleil and UNLV ice hockey and others. She has worked as a performance medicine therapist. Currently she works in private practice in a gym that she and her husband own doing both athletic training along with strength and conditioning. Jeremy thanks Kendell for serving on the Board.

Michelle Cothrun informs the Board that Ariel Ives is attending the meeting. Michelle let the Governor's Office know that Ariel applied and is recommended to serve. The next time the Governor has

a meeting, she may be appointed. Michelle will keep the Board updated on Ariel's appointment. There is no further discussion.

4. **Discussion and election of Chair and Treasurer for the Board. (For Possible Action)** Item was tabled at the request of Kyle Moore, Board Chair, until the next meeting when he can attend.

5. **Review and approve Board meeting minutes for August 25, 2023. (For Possible Action)** Jeremy asks the Board if there are any questions regarding the minutes and there are none. Harry Ward informs the Board members that were not present at the meeting on August 25, 2023 that they can approve the minutes as to form and not content.

Jeremy Fisher motions to approve the minutes for the August 25, 2023 meeting and Kendell Galor seconds the motion. Jeremy Fisher, Kristopher Bosch, and Leo Lozano vote to approve the motion. Kendell Galor votes to approve as to form and not as to content. The motion passes.

6. **Update on disciplinary action reports and investigation of unlicensed activity. (Discussion)** Michelle Cothrun informs the Board that there are no reports of unlicensed activity, or any other investigations. She explains to the new Board members that she is required to submit certain statistics to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) on a quarterly basis. For the quarter of July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30, 2023, there were 25 licenses added with 27 applications received. No applications were reviewed or rejected, and there were no disciplinary actions to report. As of September 30<sup>th</sup>, the total number of licenses was 327. There is no further discussion.

7. **Review and discuss financial status of the Board, including approval of all claim and expenses from August 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023, and the annual balance sheet for FY2023 that is submitted to the Legislative Auditor and the Chief of the Budget Division, per NRS 218G.400. (For Possible Action)** Jeremy Fisher begins the discussion by stating that he has reviewed the financials and asks if there are any comments. He acknowledges how Michelle Cothrun gathers the information and keeps it all straight. Michelle explains to the new Board members how the Board submits an annual balance sheet to the LCB since the Board's revenue is under \$200,000. The Bookkeeper prepares the report. Previous Board members Tedd Girouard and Keoni Kins suggested adding the annual balance sheet to the agenda so that all the financials are transparent. Michelle adds that the main difference between this year and last year is the bank fees. Several years ago, the Board was a victim of identity theft; therefore, the bank account now has extra fraud protection. That protection came with higher bank fees. But now that the Board has combined their checking and savings accounts, the balance in the one account offsets the higher banking fees. One year, Michelle was asked by an auditor about the high banking fees. With the combined accounts, those fees are no longer an issue.

Jeremy Fisher asks if there are any questions or comments. Hearing none, Jeremy Fisher motions to approve the financial status of the Board, including approval of all claims from August 1, 2023 to September 30, 2023, and the annual balance sheet for fiscal year 2023 that is submitted to the Legislative Auditor and the Chief of the Budget Division, per NRS 218G.400. Kristopher Bosch seconds the motion, and it passes.

8. **Review and discuss the documentation submitted by licensed athletic trainers who recently completed the required Dry Needling course and approve those who fulfill the statutory requirements for dry needling. (For Possible Action)** Jeremy Fisher states that he has reviewed the dry needling application. He asks Michelle Cothrun if she has received a statement from the Dry Needling Subcommittee. Michelle explains that she reached out to the Subcommittee regarding this application, and they individually submitted their feedback. All three Subcommittee members recommended applicant #143 – Orr to pass.

Jeremy Fisher asks the Board members if anyone has an issue with this application. Hearing none, Jeremy Fisher motions that applicant #143 – Orr is recommended to dry needle in the state of Nevada. Kendell Galor seconds the motion, and it passes.

9. **Introduction of workshop process. (Discussion)** Before introducing the public workshop, Jeremy Fisher asks Michelle Cothrun if there is any public comment, including in the chat. Michelle confirms that there is no public comment in the chat. Seeing there is no public comment, Jeremy opens the public workshop.

10. **PUBLIC WORKSHOP – The purpose of the Workshop is to solicit comments on the proposed revisions to NAC 640B. Public comments must be directly related to the proposed regulation topics. Interested parties are strongly encouraged to submit comments in writing prior to the Workshop. (Discussion)**

- **Repeals sections NAC 640B.005, NAC 640B.010, NAC 640B.013, NAC 640B.015, and NAC 640B.050**
- **NAC 640B.060 – Revises and clarifies fees charged by the Board. Removes fees for the issuance of a duplicate license, for a change of name on a license, for a list of business addresses on mailing labels, and for a dishonored check.**

After reading the purpose of the workshop, Jeremy Fisher asks Michelle if she received any comments in writing. Michelle confirms that she did not receive any written comments regarding the workshop. Before moving on to discuss the sections of NAC to be repealed, Jeremy asks if any of the public present have any public comments.

Tedd Girouard, a former chair of the Board and current program director of the undergraduate program at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, expresses concerns about the financial management of the Board, noting that it holds excessive funds and suggesting that licensing fees for athletic trainers should be reduced. He advocated for lower fees, especially for in-state graduates, to ease their financial burden immediately after graduation. Specifically, he highlighted the costly licensing fees required in June and again in July, proposing a low fee to support new graduates and retain them within the state, addressing the local shortage of athletic trainers. Tedd emphasized the importance of considering these changes to lessen the financial strain on new professionals and encourage them to remain in Nevada.

Mike Sepiol, an athletic trainer and public member, expresses concerns about the proposed changes to the NRS code, particularly the removal of the licensing parts from some sections. He supports the idea of prorating license fees, aligning with Tedd's earlier comments on easing financial burdens for new graduates. Mike emphasized the need to understand these changes fully to make an informed decision.

Michelle Cothrun explains that the review of the NAC and proposed eliminations are in response to an executive order from Governor Lombardo, which ordered all boards and commissions to identify and recommend the repeal of at least ten regulations. The intent was to simplify regulations and reduce barriers to employment. The Board identified licensing fees as a significant hurdle, especially considering the transient nature of athletic training employment. The Board is modifying the fee schedule through NAC to avoid the complex legislative process required for changing statutes via NRS and to reduce financial obstacles for practitioners. Jeremy adds that NAC 640B.010 is the definition of licensing and it was suggested for repeal since it is a direct iteration of the NRS. The definitions were easy to eliminate because they are redundant.

Dustin Hopfe, an athletic trainer and member of the public, asks if NRS supersedes the NAC. Harry Ward briefly explains the hierarchy of the law and how the NRS is a legislative created statute that gives a law or directive to the public entity. Regulations regulate the public entity and must be consistent with the statute. Jeremy adds that regulations (NAC) are an interpretation or application of the law (NRS). In laymen's terms, a regulation is below a statute. Michelle asks Harry Ward if the definitions are still necessary, even if they are the exact copy of the NRS. Harry replies that many boards are also eliminating these definitions. Michelle also mentions an NAC that is possibly contradicting NRS is the fees for the restoration of a license and specifying a flat fee of \$300.00. Feedback from the LCB is required for both issues.

Jeremy focuses the discussion on the repeal of the five (5) definitions. He asks if there is any public comment on this first section. Seeing none, he asks if any Board member has any comment. Hearing none, Jeremy reads the list of NACs that are suggested for repeal with their corresponding definition. Jeremy Fisher motions to repeal sections of the NAC: NAC 640B.005, NAC 640B.010, NAC 640B.013, NAC 640B.015, and NAC 640B.050. Kristopher Bosch seconds, and the motion passes.

Jeremy moves the discussion to NAC 640B.060 that lists the fees charged by the Board by stating that there need to be a reduction of fees. He proposes a reduction of fees for initial applications, specifically for graduates from Nevada institutions who plan to stay and practice athletic training within the state. The goal is to retain locally trained professionals by removing financial barriers. Additionally, he suggests lowering renewal fees, and providing discounts for active-duty military and veterans. He then asks for public comments.

Dustin Hopfe asks about the initial licensure fee and the addition of "without examination". He also questions the logic behind the fee structure in Nevada, suggesting that while other organizations like BOC charge a large initial fee and a smaller annual renewal fee, Nevada could consider reducing the annual renewal fees given that they are required every year, unlike some other healthcare professions where renewal is biennial. Dustin suggests maintaining a higher initial fee and lowering the renewal fees might be more appropriate, given the financial burden of frequent renewals for healthcare professionals. Michelle explains that the NRS specifies maximum charges for licensing with and without an examination if the Board were to administer its own exams like other healthcare boards. The current fee list does not differentiate between initial applications with or without an exam, hence the need for clarification. And the rationale for the fee structure was to lower barriers to employment by reducing the initial licensure fee while maintaining the renewal fees, the Board's primary revenue. This approach also considers hypothetical future expenses such as office space or licensing software. By reducing initial licensure fees now, the Board can reassess its finances and possibly reduce the renewal fees in a few years.

Tedd Girouard questions Michelle about the finances of the Board, specifically expenses versus revenue and the fund balance. Tedd approximates the yearly excess at over \$16,000 and states that a fund balance of over \$165,000 is excessive. He agrees with Dustin that lowering renewal fees should be considered. He proposes adjusting the renewal fee to \$125, instead of \$100, to avoid negative cash flow while still addressing the surplus. Tedd recalls previous audits and legislative concerns about the Board's excessive reserve funds, which was viewed negatively. He also supports a reduction in initial licensing fees to \$200 and agrees with Jeremy's suggestions for a reduced fee to support in-state graduates from a Nevada school.

Jeremy suggests that the fee for these graduates should only cover the Board's hard costs, which is around \$50. Michelle confirms that the fee for fingerprinting set by the Department of Public Safety is \$40.25. If the Board covers the fingerprinting fee, \$50 should cover it. Tedd clarifies that UNLV is moving to a master's program and students will only graduate in the spring.

Mike Sepiol agrees that the Board should reduce fees. He asks what the excess fees will be used for and suggests the Board keep funds in reserves for possible attorney's fees to defend in a lawsuit. Jeremy explains that the Board has discussed using the reserves for legal needs and potentially hiring a lobbyist/legislative consultant. He highlights the increased liability that comes with the addition of dry needling techniques to athletic training, sharing a specific incident where a licensed practitioner's technique appeared questionable, raising safety concerns. Jeremy notes that generally athletic trainers reduce liability for entities by preventing injuries.

The Board then tries to approximate how much revenue will decrease over a year with the proposed reduction of fees and include increased expenses like Michelle Cothrun's raise. Jeremy wants to confirm that with the proposed decreased fees the Board would not be operating at a loss but approaching a break-even point. He seeks further comments on the discussion and there are none. He notes there is consensus among Board members and the public members present on removing certain fees and reducing others. Specifically, there is agreement on lowering the initial licensing fee from \$300 to \$200 and reducing the renewal fee from \$150 to \$125. Additionally, there is support for decreasing fees for in-state graduates of higher education institutions. After discussing possible scenarios for students that do not graduate on time, the graduate can receive the fee reduction if they apply within one year after graduating. Kristopher Bosch suggests specifying an initial new grad license. The Board members discuss how to confirm the applicant did graduate from a Nevada institute of higher education and is not lying on their application. Jeremy reminds the Board that applicants do sign a declaration under penalty of perjury. Harry Ward adds that if an applicant falsifies information on their application and obtains a license, the Board has the authority to revoke their license for ethical or criminal violations, which would require formal litigation. Tedd agrees that people lie and cheat, but the risk is not worth it. They would lose their ability to practice in the state. Dustin adds that they will then have to admit on any other state application that their license was revoked. After this point in the discussion, Tedd Girouard leaves the meeting. The Board thanks Tedd for his input. Jeremy asks for any final comments and there are none.

Jeremy Fisher motions to remove the fees for issuance of a duplicate license, for change of name on a license, for a list of business addresses on mailing labels, and for a dishonored check. Kendell Galor seconds the motion, and it passes.

Jeremy Fisher motions to reduce the license fee for an initial license from \$300 to \$200. Kristopher Bosch seconds the motion, and it passes.



Jeremy Fisher motions for the initial application for student graduating from a higher education institution in the state of Nevada that is CAATE accredited and/or its successor shall be granted a reduction application fee of \$50 for initial licensing as an athletic trainer for one year from date of conferment of degree. Leo Lozano seconds the motion, and it passes.

Jeremy Fisher motion for a license renewal fee of a currently licensed athletic trainer in the state of Nevada to be reduced from \$150 to \$125. Kendell Galor seconds the motion, and it passes.

Jeremy Fisher motions to reduce the fees for an initial license for veterans, active-duty military and surviving spouses from \$200 fee to \$100. Kendell Galor seconds the motion, and it passes.

**Consideration of Proposed Regulation. Board members may discuss and consider public comments, approve or add, revise and delete proposed language. The Board may vote to amend its proposed regulation draft that will then be sent to the Legislative Counsel Bureau for review and drafting. (For Possible Action)** Jeremy Fisher states that the Board has been considering public comments during the workshop. He asks if there are any comments or additions regarding sending the proposed regulation draft for NAC 640 B to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) for review and drafting. There are none.

Jeremy Fisher motions to send the approved and revised and deleted proposed language of NAC 640 B for amendment as its proposed regulation draft be sent to the Legislative Counsel Bureau for review and drafting. Kristopher Bosch seconds the motion, and it passes.

11. **Report from Executive Secretary, Michelle Cothrun. (Discussion)** Michelle Cothrun has nothing to report.

12. **Report from Harry B. Ward, Deputy Attorney General. (Discussion)** Harry Ward, DAG, has nothing to report.

13. **Public comment.** Jeremy Fisher asks if there is any comment from the members of the public that made it to the end of the meeting and there is none. He thanks Ariel Ives and Dustin Hopfe for staying until the end of the meeting. Jeremy points out that he appreciates all the participation from the licensed athletic trainers that attended today's workshop. Michelle Cothrun confirms that there are no comments on the chat and that she has not received any emails during the meeting. There is no further comment.

14. **Adjournment. (For Possible Action)** Jeremy Fisher adjourns the meeting at 3:07pm.

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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS (NSBAT)

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**DATE & TIME:** January 12, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m.

**Virtual Meeting Access via Zoom:**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8975068640?pwd=ckhJYStrbi9wWk5BbXdKQXITMnVCZz09>

Meeting ID: **897 506 8640**

Passcode: **640B**

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1. **Meeting called to order by Board Chair, Kyle Moore at 3:44PM.**

**Board Members Present:** Kyle Moore, Board Chair; Jeremy Fisher, Treasurer; Leo Lozano, Public Board Member; Kendell Galor, Board Member; and Ariel Ives, Board Member.

**Staff Present:** Harry Ward, Deputy Attorney General; and Michelle Cothrun, Board Executive Secretary.

**Public Present:** Mike Sepiol.

2. **Public comment.** Kyle Moore asks Michelle Cothrun if there is any public comment. He asks Mike Sepiol if he has any comment at this time. Mike Sepiol is here to observe. Michelle states that she has not received public comment by email or any other means. No public comment.

3. **Update on Board appointment and introduction of new Board member. (For Possible Action)** Kyle Moore asks Michelle Cothrun about the update. Michelle informs the Board that Ariel Ives has been appointed. Ariel introduces herself and shares her educational and professional background. She holds a bachelor's degree in athletic training with a major in psychology from the University of New Mexico and a master's degree in advanced athletic training from North Dakota State University. She has practiced in Ohio and is currently working with Dr. Rosenberg as a clinic AT. Ariel also has international experience, teaching athletic training in Japan and working on a United Nations mission to help initiate EMT services in Uganda. Kyle thanks Ariel for her willingness to serve on the Board.

4. **Discussion and election of Chair for the Board. (For Possible Action)** Kyle Moore explains his decision to not serve as second term on the Board as Chair due to personal commitments. He thanks Michelle and all the Board members for their support during his tenure. He also thanks Tedd Girouard for his mentorship. Kyle nominates Kendell Galor for Board Chair, highlighting her passion and dedication to athletic training in Nevada. He also commends Jeremy for his outstanding work with the legislative subcommittee and suggests he continue in this role to maximize impact.

Kyle Moore motions to nominate Kendell Galor for Board Chair. Leo Lozano seconds the nomination, and it passes. Kyle opens the floor for any further nominations. Hearing none, Kyle Moore

takes another vote for Kendell Galor as the Board Chair. The voting passes unanimously with those present. Kyle congratulates Kendell and expresses gratitude for her future contributions in her new role.

**5. Review and discuss the documentation submitted by licensed athletic trainers who recently completed the required Dry Needling course and approve those who fulfill the statutory requirements for dry needling. (For Possible Action)** Kyle Moore asks the Board members if they have reviewed the dry needling applications and if Michelle Cothrun has received feedback from the Subcommittee members. Michelle explains that she has received feedback from all three members for the applications minus the last three: #153- Sandoval De Leon, #154-Warner, and #155- Lower. Harry Ward advises that the last three should be excluded from the Board's vote since they have not been reviewed by the full committee.

Jeremy Fisher, after his review of the applications, expresses concern about the relevance of outdated coursework. He notes one course from 2002 would not be accepted for further medical education like PT or med school due to their age. He stresses the importance of ongoing education and anatomy refreshment, drawing from his experience teaching biology. Jeremy emphasizes the need for more recent coursework in the dry needling applications, particularly when the original coursework dates back as far as the birth year of a new graduate applicant. He acknowledges there is no legislative barrier to using old courses but questions the prudence of accepting such outdated credentials. Jeremy calls for adding an agenda item for discussing a policy to ensure that continuing education credits are recent and relevant. Harry Wards reminds the Board that the Subcommittee has the discretion to request applicants provide updated CE units and that Board members can separate votes for specific applicants if they have reservations or concerns about outdated coursework.

Kyle acknowledges that some applicants' credentials may seem outdated even if they are clinically relevant. He proposes making this a discussion item at the next board meeting to possibly revise the Subcommittee's review process. Kyle states the importance of not changing the existing language, which could risk the ability for athletic trainers to dry needle in the state of Nevada. Jeremy agrees with Kyle, noting that while the current applicants are capable, the Board should focus on encouraging the use of more recent and relevant coursework. He supports adding this topic to the agenda for future meetings to ensure ongoing professional standards and relevance in the field. Jeremy also mentions that there is some confusion about the ambiguity in the language concerning "postgraduate coursework." It is unclear whether this term refers to coursework completed after obtaining a degree in athletic training.

Michelle reminds the Board that the Subcommittee has already addressed concerns about applicants using older undergraduate coursework to satisfy credit requirements for dry needling certification. She explains that while master's degree holders often submit their undergraduate classes to quickly fulfill a significant portion of the required hours, the instructions now emphasize the need for more current and relevant coursework. Despite this, applicants may still choose to submit older credits for convenience. Michelle also mentions that during the regulatory approval process, legislators tended to value university credits over CEUs, which they often view as simple online refreshers. Consequently, she advises applicants that the Subcommittee prefers a mix of university coursework and recent postgraduate CEUs to maintain a balance between legislative expectations and professional relevance.

Kyle Moore motions to approve applicants number 144, 145, 146, 147, 149, 150, 151, and 152 for their approval to dry needle in the state of Nevada. Jeremy Fisher seconds the motion, and it passes.

After the motion, Kyle leaves the meeting. Michelle thanks Kyle for his hard work, acknowledging the challenging circumstances he faced during his tenure which coincided with the pandemic. The Board members express their appreciation for his contributions to the Board.

6. **Review and discuss feedback received from the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) regarding the proposed regulation that was assigned File No. R135-23, which seeks to revise and clarify fees charged by the Board. The regulation as requested seeks to abolish fees that are required per NRS 640B.410. Approve the suggested revisions to prevent drafting the regulation in conflict with statute. (For Possible Action)** Kendell Galor states that Michelle Cothrun emailed the Board this feedback about not being able to remove the \$25 fee for a duplicate license; however, it can be reduced to \$1. Michelle clarifies that the feedback received from the LCB was on two items in NAC 640B.060 related to licensing fees. The proposed addition of "without examination" to the language about fees for an initial application conflicts with existing NRS regulations. The recommended solution is to remove this clarification. Consequently, the fee for an initial application will be reduced from \$300 to \$200. Additionally, while completely removing the fee for issuing a duplicate license is not possible due to statutory requirements, it has been suggested to reduce this fee from \$25 to \$1 to remain compliant with the NRS. These adjustments aim to streamline the process and reduce costs without contradicting existing laws. Harry Ward suggests that two separate motions would be cleaner.

Kendell Galor motions to remove the language of without examination for initial licensure. Ariel Ives seconds the motion, and it passes.

Kendell Galor motions to reduce the fees for a duplicate license from \$25 to \$1. Jeremy Fisher seconds the motion, and it passes.

7. **Discussion and possible decision on date of next meeting. (For Possible Action)** Kendell Galor states that since Kristopher Bosch was unable to attend this meeting, the Board should wait and include him in deciding the date of the next Board meeting. Jeremy Fisher would like to meet soon, so Michelle Cothrun will send a Doodle poll to get a feel for everyone's schedule for the next few weeks. There is no action taken. At this point, Leo Lozano leaves the meeting.

8. **Public comment.** Michelle Cothrun confirms that no members of the public joined the meeting. Mike Sepiol has left the meeting, and she has not received any emails during the meeting. Jeremy Fisher would like to add to the next meeting agenda that the Board move forward with adding an investigator. There is no public comment.

9. **Adjournment. (For Possible Action)** Kendell Galor adjourns the meeting at 4:25PM.

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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS (NSBAT)

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**DATE & TIME:** February 29, 2024 @ 2:30 p.m.

**Virtual Meeting Access via Zoom:**

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1. Meeting called to order by Board Chair, Kendell Galor at 2:37PM.

**Board Members Present:** Kendell Galor, Board Chair; Jeremy Fisher, Treasurer; Ariel Ives, Board Member; and Leo Lozano, Public Board Member.

**Staff Present:** Harry Ward, Deputy Attorney General; and Michelle Cothrun, Board Executive Secretary.

**Public Present:** Tedd Girouard.

2. **Public comment.** Tedd Girouard, a former Board Chair, raised concerns about certain athletic trainers in Nevada who are reportedly administering prescription medications via injections, a practice not allowed in Nevada. This issue was brought to his attention by a former student and further investigation revealed that it was not an isolated incident, but rather a widespread practice, sometimes occurring in physician offices with or without a physician present.

Tedd recounted the history of regulations on this matter, noting that about ten years ago, he was on a Subcommittee that worked with the State Board of Pharmacy to clarify that athletic trainers are not authorized to administer prescription medications per the State's practice act. This restriction is consistently taught in accredited programs, including at UNLV, where Tedd teaches sports pharmacology. He pointed out that the only exception within Nevada law is the administration of EpiPens in schools by designated athletic trainers.

Given that there have not been any formal complaints by patients or practitioners, Tedd suggested the issue be addressed through educational efforts rather than disciplinary action. He proposed that the Board consider educating athletic trainers and possibly the sports medicine physicians who might be instructing athletic trainers to administer these medications under standing orders, a practice that exceeds their discretionary authority. Tedd offered his expertise to assist with this educational initiative and urged the Board to include this issue on the agenda for their next meeting.

Kendell Galor thanks Tedd for his comments. Michelle Cothrun will add an item to the agenda for the next meeting regarding this issue. She also confirms that she had not received any public comments for this meeting via email or other means. No further public comments.

3. **Review and discuss the documentation submitted by licensed athletic trainers in their dry needling applications and approve those who fulfill the statutory requirements for dry needling. (For Possible Action)** Kendell Galor states that she has reviewed all six applications. Michelle Cothrun informs the Board that she has received comments from all three Subcommittee members for the six (6) applicants being reviewed. She explains that Steve McCauley raised a concern about the relevance of a course on the transcript of applicant #158 - Radley. He referred to the course as active and passive range of motion and requested another course more closely aligned with the requirements for dry needling. In response, Radley argued for reconsideration, stating that the course's main objective was to review and apply therapeutic modalities and exercise for upper extremity injuries, and that it included practical application of dry needling as a modality in the rehabilitation process. This feedback was forwarded to Steve, who has yet to respond. All three Subcommittee members recommended approval for all six applicants, #153 - #158, including Radley's, with this course being the only reservation.

Kendell asks if there are any further comments about applications #153 - #158. Jeremy Fisher raises concerns about the relevance of outdated coursework for some of these applicants, noting that many are using credits that are over 10 years old and were obtained prior to their certification. Citing NRS 640B.260.5, he stresses that the 150 required hours should be post-certification. He highlights inconsistencies in the Board's approval process, pointing out some previous applicants with similar issues that have been approved. Michelle Cothrun informs the Board that the Subcommittee discussed at length with much debate whether undergraduate courses met the statutory requirements and concluded that they do. Even so, they noted that applicants were relying solely on outdated undergraduate coursework without any recent continuing education. Therefore, the Subcommittee may request more current coursework instead. The Subcommittee also considered a time limit for coursework, and they concluded that neither the statute nor the regulations specify a time limit on coursework. Any time limit, even to say that the coursework needs to be within a 10-year time frame, could be considered arbitrary. Still, Michelle encourages applicants to include recent continuing education, since that is the Subcommittee's preference.

Jeremy advocates for updated regulations under subsection five that would specify a six-year lookback period for coursework, aligning with practices at many educational institutions. He argues that such a timeframe would ensure applicants' knowledge and skills are current, particularly in critical subjects like anatomy. Jeremy encourages future discussions to establish clear, standardized criteria for coursework validity through a six-year lookback policy. He adds that Leo Lozano, being in education, would understand. Leo agrees and compares it to the necessity of renewing CPR certifications every two years. He notes that inaccuracies in the practice of dry needling could lead to serious issues. Leo suggests a two-year timeframe to implement the new policy, allowing licensees sufficient time to acquire necessary continuing education in relevant fields like anatomy and physiology for instance. Kendell Galor adds that there are plenty of continuing education courses in anatomy and physiology for postgraduates. She sees no issue with setting a regulation that, starting from a specified future date, will enforce a six-year look-back period for coursework. She asks Michelle to reach out to the Subcommittee to get their feedback about implementing a six-year look back.

Kendell asks for any other comments on applicants #153 – #158, and there are none. Kendell Galor motions to vote on approving applicants #153 – Sandoval De Leon through #138 – Radley for dry needling. Ariel Ives seconds the motion, and it passes.

4. **Discussion and possible decision on date of next meeting. (For Possible Action)** Kendell Galor confirms that the next meeting is set for Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00PM. Michell Cothrun adds that there will be a workshop as well as Board business. She will be posting the Notice of Intent to Act Upon a Regulation, which requires a 30 days' notice. Harry Ward explains to the Board that the workshop will need to open and close with public comment periods. He will be there to support the Board with the process. There is no further discussion.

5. **Public comment.** Kendell Galor asks Michelle Cothrun if there is any public comment. Michelle confirms that she has not received any emails during the meeting and no one else has joined the meeting. There is no public comment.

Leo Lozano brings to the Board's attention that he has been approached about the timing of the dry needling approval process. He suggests improving the process by setting specific months for application reviews to provide applicants with clear deadlines and reduce the waiting time between completing their certification and receiving approval. Applicants can prepare and submit their applications accordingly, ensuring a more efficient and predictable process. Michelle will add this discussion to the next agenda.

Ariel Ives states her concerns about possible overregulation in the certification process for dry needling by comparing it to other certifications like CSCS or blood flow restriction training, which do not require a 10-year timeframe for anatomy coursework. She highlights that while dry needling is more invasive, the regulation for its certification could be perceived as excessive. Dry needling requires certification, not another degree. The Board needs to prepare for potential feedback regarding the appropriateness of the proposed regulatory approach.

Jeremy Fisher agrees and adds that the idea was introduced with the Legislative Subcommittee that athletic training is the base license with the ability to add endorsements. He notes that as the field expands, additional endorsements can be added. Dry needling is an endorsement that is being regulated, unlike other practices such as blood flow restriction which are not yet regulated. He comments that athletic trainers in a neighboring state are allowed to perform tasks like suturing under specific conditions and theorizes that similar expansions in scope could include injections. Athletic trainers in office settings, in theory, should be able to give injections. Jeremy highlights the legislative challenges and the importance of navigating state laws to both expand practice capabilities and ensure public safety, while also gaining support from physicians and relevant groups to advance the profession.

Michelle Cothrun requests that board members with strong opinions on the matter send their thoughts via email. She will compile the feedback to streamline the next meeting and ensure all viewpoints are considered without taking up more meeting time. There is no further discussion.

6. **Adjournment. (For Possible Action)** Kendell Galor adjourns the meeting at 3:13PM.

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# Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers

## Balance Sheet

As of February 29, 2024

	TOTAL
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Wells Fargo Business Checking	193,426.67
<b>Total Bank Accounts</b>	<b>\$193,426.67</b>
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Expenses	817.63
<b>Total Other Current Assets</b>	<b>\$817.63</b>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$194,244.30</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$194,244.30</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	525.00
<b>Total Accounts Payable</b>	<b>\$525.00</b>
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	0.00
941	956.57
NV Unemployment	29.12
<b>Total Payroll Liabilities</b>	<b>985.69</b>
Unearned or Deferred Revenue	23,175.00
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$24,160.69</b>
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>\$24,685.69</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$24,685.69</b>
Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	165,123.11
Net Income	4,435.50
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$169,558.61</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$194,244.30</b>



# Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers

## Profit and Loss

July 2023 - February 2024

	TOTAL
Income	
License Revenue	32,925.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$32,925.00</b>
GROSS PROFIT	<b>\$32,925.00</b>
Expenses	
Contract Services	
Accounting Fees	600.00
Legal Fees	1,677.91
<b>Total Contract Services</b>	<b>2,277.91</b>
Operations	
Bank Charges	370.48
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	100.00
Postage, Mailing Service	177.33
Supplies	2,482.20
Telephone, Telecommunications	1,327.67
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>4,457.68</b>
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Liability, D and O	50.00
Insurance - Worker's Comp	407.50
<b>Total Other Types of Expenses</b>	<b>457.50</b>
Payroll Expenses	
Employer Taxes	1,623.05
Wages - Stipend	19,673.36
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>21,296.41</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$28,489.50</b>
NET OPERATING INCOME	<b>\$4,435.50</b>
NET INCOME	<b>\$4,435.50</b>

# Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers

## Profit and Loss

October 2023 - February 2024

	TOTAL
Income	
License Revenue	19,875.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$19,875.00</b>
GROSS PROFIT	<b>\$19,875.00</b>
Expenses	
Contract Services	
Accounting Fees	400.00
Legal Fees	1,645.31
<b>Total Contract Services</b>	<b>2,045.31</b>
Operations	
Bank Charges	153.73
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	100.00
Postage, Mailing Service	70.62
Supplies	881.51
Telephone, Telecommunications	941.20
<b>Total Operations</b>	<b>2,147.06</b>
Other Types of Expenses	
Insurance - Worker's Comp	253.75
<b>Total Other Types of Expenses</b>	<b>253.75</b>
Payroll Expenses	
Employer Taxes	1,001.00
Wages - Stipend	12,133.35
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>13,134.35</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$17,580.47</b>
NET OPERATING INCOME	<b>\$2,294.53</b>
NET INCOME	<b>\$2,294.53</b>

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DATE		DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
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	<b>POSTAGE</b>	POSTAGE EXPENSE	340	0.53	180.20

SUBTOTAL	494.02
TAX	25.95
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$519.97</b>

Accepted By


Accepted Date

## RE: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

Shannon Fleming <shannonF@bocatc.org>

Thu 3/28/2024 7:56 AM

To: Athletic Trainers <atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov>

 1 attachments (44 KB)

CARE Conference 2024 – An Invitation to Attend Virtually;

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Thank you, Michelle. We will put Jeremy on the wait list, and in the meantime, we are also offering it virtually, so perhaps he can register for that and if a spot opens up, we can put that money toward his in-person registration. I have attached information on the virtual option.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Shannon L. Fleming, MA, AT Ret.  
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**From:** Athletic Trainers <atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 28, 2024 9:45 AM  
**To:** Shannon Fleming <shannonF@bocatc.org>  
**Subject:** Re: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

Hi Shannon,

Yes, she is our new Board Chair. We had another member that also expressed interest in attending. His name is Jeremy Fisher and he tried to register. I explained to him that only one person per state is allowed to attend this year. If you get a cancellation, can you please let me know.

Thank you,  
Michelle

**Michelle R. Cothrun**  
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**From:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 26, 2024 9:23 PM  
**To:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

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Hi Michelle – My apologies if I've asked this already...Is Kendell Galor on your board? This person registered for the conference under the Nevada board. If you don't, I will let this person know that the slot is reserved. Thank you.

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**From:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 15, 2024 9:45 PM  
**To:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

We would like to send the one Board member. Do I have to give you a name now? Our Board meeting is in April and the Board will need to discuss and vote on who to send.

Regarding the virtual option, that sounds like a good idea. I know I would be interested in attending virtually. I can find out if other Board members would like to as well.

Thank you,  
Michelle

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**Sent:** Friday, March 15, 2024 7:18 AM  
**To:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

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That is great, Michelle. The venue this year is smaller than in year's past, so each state is limited to one in-person guest. However, we have a few additional options: 1. We could put them on a waitlist and if a state does not use their slot, we will open it up to those on the wait list (currently only have 1 on the list). 2. We will be offering a virtual option, and I can let you know when that opens. Anyone attending beyond the one BOC is funding (in-person or virtual) would be responsible for all fees associated with the conference (registration is \$200). Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

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**Sent:** Thursday, March 14, 2024 9:52 PM

**To:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>

**Subject:** Re: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

Hi Shannon,

We have more than one Board member interested in attending the conference. I know the BOC only will fund one member. What if we have 2 or 3 that want to attend?

Thank you,  
Michelle

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:25 AM

**To:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov)>

**Subject:** RE: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

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Hi Michelle – I have attached a preliminary program. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

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**From:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2024 7:27 PM  
**To:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

Hello Shannon,

I had one Board member ask if there was an agenda for the Conference. Do you have an outline of topics or anything?

Thank you,  
Michelle

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**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2024 11:26 AM  
**To:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>  
**Subject:** Re: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

Hello Shannon,

Sorry for not replying sooner. I will reach out to the Board members to see if anyone would like to attend.

Thank you,  
Michelle

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**From:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>

**Sent:** Monday, March 11, 2024 10:33 AM

**To:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov)>; [tedd.girouard@unlv.edu](mailto:tedd.girouard@unlv.edu) <[tedd.girouard@unlv.edu](mailto:tedd.girouard@unlv.edu)>

**Subject:** FW: CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

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Hello – We have reached out a few times with an invitation to our regulatory conference. The BOC is offering funding to attend and while the registration deadline is in June, we would like to get a head count. Please RSVP by Mar. 15 indicating whether you plan to send a participant. Additional details can be found in the emails below. Thank you and we look forward to hearing from you. Have a great week!

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**From:** Shannon Fleming

**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2024 11:08 PM

**To:** Nevada ([atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov)) <[atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov)>

**Cc:** [tedd.girouard@unlv.edu](mailto:tedd.girouard@unlv.edu)

**Subject:** CARE Conference 2024 – Please RSVP or Register by March 5

**Importance:** High

Hi Michelle,

The Board of Certification (BOC) recently sent you the invitation below for the eleventh CARE Conference July 9-10, 2024, in Omaha, Nebraska. Please review the BOC funding opportunity and additional details in the email below.

**Please RSVP and/or register for the conference by March 5, 2024.**

To RSVP, simply reply to this email with one of the following:

- Yes, we plan to send FName LName
- Yes, but we are uncertain who will attend at this time

- We are considering it, but are uncertain at this time
- No, we will not be sending anyone

To Register, follow the instructions in the email below and click the Register button.

Please contact the BOC at [CARE@bocatc.org](mailto:CARE@bocatc.org) if you have questions. We look forward to seeing you in July.

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**From:** Board of Certification <[BOC@bocatc.org](mailto:BOC@bocatc.org)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 14, 2024 4:33 PM  
**Subject:** CARE Conference 2024 – An Invitation to Omaha (on us)

 [Board of Certification District Update](#)

Dear Michelle,

The Board of Certification (BOC) is hosting the eleventh CARE Conference July 9-10, 2024, in Omaha, Nebraska and **formally invites you to attend in-person**. The in-depth conference explores regulatory best practices and trends. Program topics will empower state regulatory leaders in developing strategic initiatives and resolutions that protect the public.

## Location

All meetings for the CARE Conference will take place at the BOC Headquarters - 1415 The Meeting Space.

## BOC Funding

The BOC will fund the registration fee (\$300), travel expenses up to \$500, and hotel accommodations for up to two nights for **one** representative from each state regulatory board/agency.

## Meals

Breakfast, lunch and an evening reception on Tuesday, as well as breakfast on Wednesday will be provided. The conference begins at 8:30 a.m. CT on Tuesday, July 9 and ends at 12 p.m. CT on Wednesday, July 10.

## Registration

- Take advantage of BOC funding
- If you are not the person who will be representing your state regulatory board/agency, please reply to this email and let us know who will be attending ([CARE@bocatc.org](mailto:CARE@bocatc.org))
- **View preliminary conference objectives and complete the online form using the Register button below**
- Select your state under "I represent the following State Regulatory Board/Agency"
- Register for the CARE Conference 2024
- Print the confirmation email for your records
- BOC will reserve a hotel room on your behalf and email you a confirmation within 3-5 business days
- Please make your own travel arrangements and BOC will provide a reimbursement expense form and instructions when you arrive at the conference

**The registration deadline is June 14, 2024.**

[Register](#)

Please contact the BOC at [CARE@bocatc.org](mailto:CARE@bocatc.org) if you have questions regarding this exciting, educational conference. We hope to see you in July.

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## CARE Conference 2024 – An Invitation to Attend Virtually

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Board of Certification, Inc. &lt;boc@bocatc.org&gt;

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To: Shannon Fleming &lt;shannonF@bocatc.org&gt;

Wed 3/27/2024 1:54 PM



The Board of Certification (BOC) is hosting the eleventh CARE Conference July 9-10, 2024, and formally invites you to attend the conference virtually. The in-depth conference explores regulatory best practices and trends. Program topics will empower state regulatory leaders in developing strategic initiatives and resolutions that protect the public.

The conference is scheduled from 8:30 a.m. CT to 5 p.m. CT on Tuesday, July 9 and 8:30 a.m. CT to 12 p.m. CT on Wednesday, July 10. There will be opportunities to network and learn from each other in this virtual setting.

**To register, follow the instructions below. The first 50 virtual attendees will receive a DoorDash gift card to enjoy lunch during the conference.**

- **View preliminary conference objectives and complete the online form using the Register button below**
- Select CARE Conference 2024 and pay the \$200 registration fee
- Print the confirmation email for your records

**The registration deadline is June 14, 2024.**

Register

In-person registration is currently full. Please contact the BOC at [CARE@bocatc.org](mailto:CARE@bocatc.org) if you would like to be considered for an unexpected opening, or have questions regarding this exciting, educational conference. We hope to see virtually you in July.

## Job Description- Investigator for the Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers

Pursuant to NRS 640B.200 subsection 1, the Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers is hiring an investigator. The role of the investigator will be to follow up on complaints made to the NSBAT. The investigator would adhere to set investigative formats that would be ethical, unbiased, and non-prejudicial. Any findings will be sent to the Executive Secretary for The Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers. The Board would then review this documentation as presented and act accordingly. The investigator may, in some instances, be asked to testify as to their findings in formal Board proceedings.

### Qualifications

#### Minimum Qualifications

1. Familiar with proper investigative techniques
2. Familiar with NRS 640B, The Practice Act of Athletic Training
3. Familiar with the profession of Athletic Training
4. Ability to communicate clearly with defensible documentation
5. Ability to accurately document time worked
6. Familiarity with word processing software, spreadsheets, and cloud storage, similar to G-Suites
7. Ability to travel to various locations throughout Nevada

#### Preferred Qualifications

1. A license to practice Athletic Training, but may be retired
2. Have an understanding of current treatment techniques utilized in the field of Athletic Training
3. Familiar with medical documentation practices

#### Compensation

1. Will be compensated at \$50 per hour, billed in quarter hour increments.
2. This is a non-PERS position, and it is paid as per diem hourly rate.
3. Billed hours must be received each month and will need to be approved for compensation at a minimum, the quarterly Board meetings.
4. Will be reimbursed for mileage at the current rate.
5. Will be reimbursed for necessary supplies

Apply by emailing interest to the Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers at [atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov).

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE  
BOARD OF ATHLETIC TRAINERS**

**LCB File No. R135-23**

January 29, 2024

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: § 1, NRS 640B.260 and 640B.310; § 2, NRS 640B.250, 640B.260 and 640B.410; § 3, NRS 640B.260 and 640B.400.

A REGULATION relating to athletic trainers; correcting a statutory reference; revising fees relating to the licensing of athletic trainers; repealing certain duplicative provisions relating to athletic trainers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

**Section 1** of this regulation corrects a statutory reference to account for changes made by Assembly Bill No. 275 of the 2019 Legislative Session. (Section 61 of Assembly Bill No. 275, chapter 627, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4300)

Existing law requires the Board of Athletic Trainers to prescribe fees relating to the licensure of athletic trainers. (NRS 640B.410) **Section 2** of this regulation reduces the fees for: (1) an initial application for a license from \$300 to \$200; (2) the renewal of a license from \$150 to \$125; and (3) the issuance of a duplicate license from \$25 to \$1. **Section 2** additionally eliminates fees for: (1) a change of name on a license; (2) a list of business addresses of licensees on mailing labels; and (3) a dishonored check. **Section 2** also establishes reduced fees for an initial application for a license by: (1) an active member, the spouse of an active member, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States; and (2) an applicant who graduated from certain accredited institutions within 1 year before the date on which the application is submitted.

Existing law provides that words and terms defined in the Nevada Revised Statutes have the same meaning in corresponding provisions of the Nevada Administrative Code. (NRS 0.024) **Section 3** of this regulation repeals from the Nevada Administrative Code certain duplicative definitions that are set forth in the Nevada Revised Statutes. (NRS 640B.025, 640B.060, 640B.065)

Existing law provides that a license to engage in the practice of athletic training expires on June 30 of each year and may be renewed upon the submission of certain items before the license expires. (NRS 640B.400) **Section 3** repeals a duplicative requirement in Nevada Administrative Code that all items for the renewal of a license to engage in the practice of athletic training be submitted or postmarked on or before June 30 of each year.

**Section 1.** NAC 640B.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

640B.040 The passing grade for the examination required by paragraph ~~(g)~~ (f) of subsection 1 of NRS 640B.310 will be determined by the National Athletic Trainers' Association Board of Certification, Inc., or its successor organization.

**Sec. 2.** NAC 640B.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

640B.060 1. ~~The~~ *Except as provided in subsections 2 and 3, the* Board will charge and collect the following fees:

For an initial application for a license .....	<del>300</del> 200
For the renewal of a license.....	<del>150</del> 125
For the restoration of an expired license .....	300
For the issuance of a duplicate license .....	<del>25</del>
<del>For a change of name on a license .....</del>	<del>25</del> 1
For a list of business addresses of licensees.....	25
<del>For a list of business addresses of licensees on mailing labels.....</del>	<del>100</del>
<del>For a dishonored check .....</del>	<del>25</del>

2. *If an applicant is an active member, the spouse of an active member, a veteran or the surviving spouse of a veteran of the Armed Forces of the United States, the Board will charge a fee of \$100 for an initial application for a license.*

3. *If an applicant is a graduate of an institution of higher education in the State of Nevada that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education, or its successor organization, the Board will charge a fee of \$50 for an initial application for a*



*license if the application is submitted not later than 1 year after the date the degree was conferred.*

4. A fee charged and collected pursuant to this section:

(a) Must accompany the application or other documentation to which the fee pertains; and

(b) Is not refundable.

**Sec. 3.** NAC 640B.005, 640B.010, 640B.013, 640B.015 and 640B.050 are hereby repealed.

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### TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

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**640B.005 Definitions.** As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NAC 640B.010, 640B.013 and 640B.015 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

**640B.010 “Board” defined.** “Board” means the Board of Athletic Trainers.

**640B.013 “License” defined.** “License” means a license to engage in the practice of athletic training issued pursuant to chapter 640B of NRS.

**640B.015 “Licensee” defined.** “Licensee” means a person who has been issued a license pursuant to chapter 640B of NRS.

**640B.050 Submission of items required for renewal of license.** All items required by NRS 640B.340 and 640B.400 for the renewal of a license must be received by the Board, or postmarked, not later than June 30 of each year. If the Board does not receive the items, or if the items are not postmarked, on or before June 30, the license expires.



# Board Policy – Names on Licenses

## Use of names on licenses

The Nevada State Board of Athletic Trainers (“NSBAT” or “Board”) has adopted a policy regarding the use of names on licenses. The Board will only use a legal name on the license certificate. The Board’s policy is in agreement with the BOC, which requires that applicants use the name that is on their government issued photo ID. Names on the license certificate should match the one used on the BOC certificate if possible. Nicknames or preferred names can be added in quotation marks if the applicant chooses, as follows:

First name “Nickname” Last name

In addition, since the Board no longer requires that applicants supply official transcripts to confirm education and degrees conferred, post-nominal letters will not added to the license. If a licensee’s name changes after the license has been issued, a name change can be requested by submitting official documentation of a name change such as court documents or a marriage certificate, along with a copy of their government issued photo ID showing the name change.

# Six-Year Lookback Policy for DN Education

Review by DN Subcommittee members regarding a proposed addition to the DN regulation for a six-year lookback for didactic education requirements.

## Outline of Main Points

### **Steve McCauley:**

- Opposes the proposed changes to dry needling (DN) regulations by the Board, arguing that existing qualifications for athletic trainers (ATs) in Nevada are adequate.
- A license to practice athletic training ensures a strong educational foundation and requires 50 hours of continuing education every two years.
- An additional 27 hours of hands-on training in DN are necessary for practical application.
- The 150 hours of didactic education was a legislative compromise, not a plan to review educational aptitude.
- Views proposed changes as confusing, detrimental, and burdensome, especially for new graduates.
- Believes the Board should focus on monitoring all ATs providing DN rather than revising statutes unnecessarily.

### **Kyle Moore:**

- Fully supports Steve McCauley's viewpoints.
- Suggests including a preference for recent education (within the last six years) on the DN application but warns against revising clear statutory language.
- Emphasizes that ATs should have the freedom to choose their continuing education topics, which may not necessarily relate to DN.

### **Keoni Kins:**

- Neutral on the idea of implementing time-based restrictions for DN coursework, noting a lack of consensus on the duration of these requirements, which ranges from 6 to 10 years, depending on discipline and institution.
- Argues that time stamps in professional settings should not force practitioners to redo foundational courses like anatomy if they have been safely practicing DN.
- Believes that practical experience is more crucial than periodic academic courses for maintaining DN skills.
- Points out the low incidence of DN-related injuries under current regulations as evidence of their effectiveness.
- Advocates for the current DN regulations, viewing them as sufficient for public safety and dependent on ATs' adherence to professional ethics and standards.
- Optimistic about ATs' professionalism and ethical compliance, regardless of regulatory oversight.

## Summary

**Steve McCauley** opposes the dry needling (DN) regulation changes proposed by the Board, arguing that the current requirements are sufficient for athletic trainers (ATs) to be qualified in DN in Nevada. These requirements include a license to practice athletic training, which covers all relevant education to provide an excellent foundation for DN and mandates 50 hours of continuing education every two years. Additionally, 27 hours of hands-on training in DN are required for practical experience. The 150 hours of didactic education was more of a legislative compromise to satisfy all opposing parties than a well thought out plan to review educational aptitude. Any changes to the established language are confusing and detrimental. The scrutiny into educational backgrounds proposed by the board is unnecessary and burdensome, especially for new graduates who have already demonstrated their competency through their completed coursework. Finally, concerns about granting DN privileges to unqualified candidates are deemed unwarranted, suggesting that the Board should instead focus on inspecting all ATs who provide this care rather than altering existing statutes.

**Kyle Moore** agrees completely with Steve McCauley's opinions on the proposed changes to DN regulations. He suggests that the DN application might simply include a phrase like "education received within the last six years is preferred." He stresses that the current statutory language is clear across all Nevada healthcare professions and should not be opened for revision about education as it poses unnecessary risks. Furthermore, he argues that it is not obligatory for an athletic trainer to choose continuing education courses specifically related to DN. Athletic trainers have the freedom to select courses based on their individual professional development needs, such as leadership or sports science, which may not directly pertain to DN.

**Keoni Kins** expresses a neutral stance on the Board's discussion about potentially implementing time-based restrictions on coursework for DN regulations. He explains that there is no consensus on the duration of these "time stamps," which can range from 6 to 10 years, depending on the academic discipline and institution. The primary purpose of these time stamps in higher education is to ensure that applicants are well-prepared for the rigor of graduate studies and to protect them from the financial and educational consequences of failure.

He argues that such time stamps for post-professional endorsements, like DN, are not equivalent to academic settings. He questions the relevance of requiring a practitioner, who may have been safely performing DN for years, to retake foundational courses like anatomy just to meet a regulatory time stamp. Keoni believes that clinical practice, rather than periodic coursework, is more crucial for developing and maintaining the skills necessary for DN, such as palpation and tissue differentiation.

He also mentions that the effectiveness of DN regulations is reflected in the low incidence of DN-related injuries in jurisdictions with similar practices, suggesting that the current hands-on training requirements are sufficient. Finally, he notes that as a consumer, he would evaluate a DN provider based on their clinical experience, hands-on training, and safety record rather than merely their academic credentials.

Keoni acknowledges that while there might be better methods to regulate DN, it is unclear what those would look like. He firmly believes that the current Nevada regulations for DN are reasonable and play a crucial role in safeguarding public safety compared to having no regulations at all. These regulations also depend on the individual licensee's commitment to adhering to the National Athletic Trainers' Association ([NATA Code of Ethics](#)), particularly Principle 3, MEMBERS SHALL MAINTAIN AND PROMOTE HIGH STANDARDS IN THEIR PROVISION OF SERVICES, and the NATA's Athletic Training's Shared Professional Values domains of **Competence** and **Accountability**. He expresses optimism about athletic trainers, trusting in their professionalism and ethical compliance, independent of regulatory oversight.

## Re: ?s re: injections

Athletic Trainers <atrain@nsbat.nv.gov>

Thu 4/11/2024 6:56 AM

To: Shannon Fleming <shannonF@bocatc.org>

Hi Shannon,

I appreciate your input. We had our former Board Chair, Tedd Girouard, attend our last meeting to inform us that he was approached by UNLV student ATs regarding this question. They told him they know of a few ATs who are administering injections, since they work in clinics or Dr's offices and are working under physician's orders. At UNLV they teach that ATs cannot administer injections or IVs. I am not sure if that is just for Nevada. I have had one of our licensee's contact me regarding this question. They feel that as long as they have the training, they should be able to administer injections or IVs.

In Nevada specifically the Board of Pharmacy has something to do with that. I will contact Pharmacy to get the actual language on who can administer injections and IVs in Nevada. They do not specify ATs; however, they are not listed as providers that can. This was an issue back in 2012, so I wasn't around. When I couldn't find the language on my own, I decided to email you.

Thank you,  
Michelle

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**From:** Shannon Fleming <shannonF@bocatc.org>

**Sent:** Thursday, April 11, 2024 6:21 AM

**To:** Athletic Trainers <atrain@nsbat.nv.gov>

**Subject:** RE: ?s re: injections

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Hi Michelle – You are the second person this week that has asked about ATs administering injections and IVs. I would see these skills to be a lot like dry needling in that ATs have the foundational knowledge to learn these skills and may require some additional continuing education. There likely are some programs that teach these skills, but I don't know that it is mainstream. Arkansas indicated that they would allow these skills, and are requiring continuing education in this area to do so.

I hope this helps. Thank you.

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**From:** Athletic Trainers <[atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov](mailto:atrainner@nsbat.nv.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 10, 2024 6:34 PM  
**To:** Shannon Fleming <[shannonF@bocatc.org](mailto:shannonF@bocatc.org)>  
**Subject:** ?s re: injections

Hello Shannon,

Do you know if athletic trainers are allowed to administer IVs or injections if they work in a physician's office? I know that laws vary from state to state but I was wondering if injections and IVs are part of the usual training for athletic trainers.

Thank you,  
Michelle

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## RE: ? re: administering injections and IVs

Yenh Long <ylong@pharmacy.nv.gov>

Tue 4/16/2024 10:51 AM

To: Athletic Trainers <atrainer@nsbat.nv.gov>

Cc: David Wuest <dwuest@pharmacy.nv.gov>

Hello Michelle,

Please see the law below which may be applicable to your question:

### **NRS 454.213 Persons authorized to possess and administer dangerous drug.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in [NRS 454.217](#), a drug or medicine referred to in [NRS 454.181](#) to [454.371](#), inclusive, may be possessed and administered by:

(a) A practitioner.

(b) A physician assistant licensed pursuant to [chapter 630](#) or [633](#) of NRS, at the direction of his or her supervising physician or a licensed dental hygienist acting in the office of and under the supervision of a dentist.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d), a registered nurse licensed to practice professional nursing or licensed practical nurse, at the direction of a prescribing physician, physician assistant licensed pursuant to [chapter 630](#) or [633](#) of NRS, dentist, podiatric physician or advanced practice registered nurse, or pursuant to a chart order, for administration to a patient at another location.

(d) In accordance with applicable regulations of the Board, a registered nurse licensed to practice professional nursing or licensed practical nurse who is:

(1) Employed by a health care agency or health care facility that is authorized to provide emergency care, or to respond to the immediate needs of a patient, in the residence of the patient; and

(2) Acting under the direction of the medical director of that agency or facility who works in this State.

(e) A medication aide - certified at a designated facility under the supervision of an advanced practice registered nurse or registered nurse and in accordance with standard protocols developed by the State Board of Nursing. As used in this paragraph, "designated facility" has the meaning ascribed to it in [NRS 632.0145](#).

(f) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (g), an advanced emergency medical technician or a paramedic, as authorized by regulation of the State Board of Pharmacy and in accordance with any applicable regulations of:

(1) The State Board of Health in a county whose population is less than 100,000;

(2) A county board of health in a county whose population is 100,000 or more; or

(3) A district board of health created pursuant to [NRS 439.362](#) or [439.370](#) in any county.

(g) An advanced emergency medical technician or a paramedic who holds an endorsement issued pursuant to [NRS 450B.1975](#), under the direct supervision of a local health officer or a designee of the local health officer pursuant to that section.

(h) A respiratory therapist employed in a health care facility. The therapist may possess and administer respiratory products only at the direction of a physician.

(i) A dialysis technician, under the direction or supervision of a physician or registered nurse only if the drug or medicine is used for the process of renal dialysis.

(j) A medical student or student nurse in the course of his or her studies at an accredited college of medicine or approved school of professional or practical nursing, at the direction of a physician and:

(1) In the presence of a physician or a registered nurse; or

(2) Under the supervision of a physician or a registered nurse if the student is authorized by the college or school to administer the drug or medicine outside the presence of a physician or nurse.

➤ A medical student or student nurse may administer a dangerous drug in the presence or under the supervision of a registered nurse alone only if the circumstances are such that the registered nurse would be authorized to administer it personally.

(k) Any person designated by the head of a correctional institution.

(l) An ultimate user or any person designated by the ultimate user pursuant to a written agreement.

(m) A holder of a license to engage in radiation therapy and radiologic imaging issued pursuant to [chapter 653](#) of NRS, at the direction of a physician and in accordance with any conditions established by regulation of the Board.

(n) A chiropractic physician, but only if the drug or medicine is a topical drug used for cooling and stretching external tissue during therapeutic treatments.

(o) A physical therapist, but only if the drug or medicine is a topical drug which is:

(1) Used for cooling and stretching external tissue during therapeutic treatments; and

(2) Prescribed by a licensed physician for:

(I) Iontophoresis; or

(II) The transmission of drugs through the skin using ultrasound.

(p) In accordance with applicable regulations of the State Board of Health, an employee of a residential facility for groups, as defined in [NRS 449.017](#), pursuant to a written agreement entered into by the ultimate user.

(q) A veterinary technician or a veterinary assistant at the direction of his or her supervising veterinarian.

(r) In accordance with applicable regulations of the Board, a registered pharmacist who:

(1) Is trained in and certified to carry out standards and practices for immunization programs;



(2) Is authorized to administer immunizations pursuant to written protocols from a physician; and

(3) Administers immunizations in compliance with the “Standards for Immunization Practices” recommended and approved by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

(s) A registered pharmacist pursuant to written guidelines and protocols developed pursuant to [NRS 639.2629](#) or a collaborative practice agreement, as defined in [NRS 639.0052](#).

(t) A person who is enrolled in a training program to become a physician assistant licensed pursuant to [chapter 630](#) or [633](#) of NRS, dental hygienist, advanced emergency medical technician, paramedic, respiratory therapist, dialysis technician, physical therapist or veterinary technician or to obtain a license to engage in radiation therapy and radiologic imaging pursuant to [chapter 653](#) of NRS if the person possesses and administers the drug or medicine in the same manner and under the same conditions that apply, respectively, to a physician assistant licensed pursuant to [chapter 630](#) or [633](#) of NRS, dental hygienist, advanced emergency medical technician, paramedic, respiratory therapist, dialysis technician, physical therapist, veterinary technician or person licensed to engage in radiation therapy and radiologic imaging who may possess and administer the drug or medicine, and under the direct supervision of a person licensed or registered to perform the respective medical art or a supervisor of such a person.

(u) A medical assistant, in accordance with applicable regulations of the:

(1) Board of Medical Examiners, at the direction of the prescribing physician and under the supervision of a physician or physician assistant.

(2) State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, at the direction of the prescribing physician and under the supervision of a physician or physician assistant.

2. As used in this section, “accredited college of medicine” has the meaning ascribed to it in [NRS 453.375](#).

Thank you,

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Hello,

I am trying to find information on which medical providers can administer injections and IVs in Nevada. I have been contacted by licensed athletic trainers that have or are looking into specific continuing education coursework on administering injections and IVs. They work in clinics or in Dr's offices. Our Board formed a Subcommittee to answer this question back in 2012, before my time. Can you please provide information/clarification or point me in the right direction?

Thank you,  
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**NRS 640B.335 Temporary exemption from licensure to practice athletic training for athletic trainer providing services to visiting athletic team or athletic event in this State; extension of exemption; conditions and limitations.**

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, if an athletic trainer who holds a valid and unrestricted license to practice athletic training in another state or territory of the United States or another country has entered into a written or oral agreement to provide services to members of a visiting athletic team or organization, the athletic trainer is temporarily exempt from licensure and may practice athletic training in this State while providing services pursuant to the agreement to members of the visiting athletic team or organization who are present in this State for the purpose of engaging in competition or training.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, if an athletic trainer who holds a valid and unrestricted license to practice athletic training in another state or territory of the United States or another country has been invited by the governing body of a national organization to provide services to persons participating in an athletic event or training sanctioned or operated by the organization, the athletic trainer is temporarily exempt from licensure and may practice athletic training in this State while providing services to such persons.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 4, an exemption described in this section is valid for a period of not more than 10 days for each competition or training session. Upon the application of an athletic trainer, the Board may grant an exemption of not more than 20 additional days for each competition or training session.

4. An athletic trainer who is practicing athletic training under an exemption described in this section shall not:

(a) Practice athletic training at a medical facility;

(b) Provide services to persons who are not described in subsection 1 or 2, as applicable; or

(c) Practice athletic training under such an exemption for more than 60 days in a calendar year.

5. The provisions of this section do not apply to any contest or exhibition of unarmed combat conducted pursuant to [chapter 467](#) of NRS.

6. As used in this section, “visiting athletic team or organization” means an athletic team or organization which is primarily based at a location outside of this State.

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