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Dietitian Compact
Executive Committee – Minutes

Date: Monday, September 28th at 11:00am ET
Location: Zoom

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Name	State/ Organization	Present
Brooke Fredrickson	ND	X
Margaret Hansen	SD	
Julia Berman	RI	X
Elizabeth Sheehan	AL	X
Laura Monick	OH	X
Christine Emerson	MT	X
Michelle Strang	CDR	X
Charla Burill	AND	X

Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) was also in attendance.

11:00am Welcome & Call to Order **Chair**

- Chair calls the meeting to order and asks Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) to take the roll.

11:00am Roll Call **CSG**

- *See table above*.

11:01am Review and Adopt Agenda* **Chair**

- Chair asks for a motion to adopt the agenda. Christine Emerson (MT) motions. Julie Berman (RI) seconds. Motion passes.

11:01am Adopt Draft Minutes from Previous Meeting* **Chair**

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- Chair asks for any changes to the draft minutes. None received. Julia Berman (RI) motions. Elizabeth Sheehan (AL) seconds. Motion passes.

11:02am **Committee Reports: Rules Committee** **Committee Chair/**
Draft Rules on Implementation of Background Checks **Interim Legal Counsel**

- Committee Chair provides an update on the Rules Committee's general progress. Committee meetings have been lengthened to increase productivity.
    - Currently the committee is halfway through the draft privilege process rule. It is anticipated to be ready for Executive Committee review soon.
- Committee Chair introduces the draft rule on implementation of criminal background checks for discussion.
- Committee Chair reviews 2.2 A and B on what is required by statute.
- Committee Chair reviews 2.2 C and D on the results and review of background checks. Results will only be reviewed by the home state and will not be shared unless permitted by public law.
- Committee Chair reviews 2.3 on the timeframe for member states to apply for background checks. Committee Chair highlights that the 60 day deadline can be extended at the discretion of the committee.
- Committee Chair reviews 2.4 on the timeframe for member states to implement background checks. Committee Chair highlights the similarities to 2.3.
- Committee Chair calls for questions.
- Chair acknowledges that dietitians are required to have a background check to participate in the compact, and that if their state cannot facilitate this, the dietitian will remain ineligible for compact privileges.
    - Committee Chair confirms that the intent of 2.3 and 2.4 are to ensure that states are facilitating implementation.
- Julia Berman (RI) expresses concern over challenges with the FBI granting permission.
    - Committee Chair states that the timeframe flexibility was included to account for potential setbacks and mentions that some states are implementing background checks without difficulty.
    - Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) confirms that there is inconsistency with some states being cleared easily, while others are not. The currently pending federal legislation for the SHARE Act is intended to address this confusion.
    - Elizabeth Sheehan (AL) mentions that Alabama has been told that the compact is not sufficient to justify this background check.
    - Julia Berman (RI) suggests surveying compact participants to see how states are managing this challenge, before making a decision on the rule.

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- Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) recommends referring that task to the Onboarding Subcommittee.
- Charla Burill (AND) emphasizes that this background check is required by the compact, and that is not likely to change. Ultimately, there needs to be a rule on the background check even if it is difficult to implement. There is also hope that the SHARE Act will pass before the session is over.

- Chair asks if there are more questions. None received.
- Chair calls for a motion to forward to the Full Commission. Committee Chair motions to forward the rule, while also pursuing public comment and a state survey before the January meeting. Elizabeth Sheehan (AL) seconds the motion. No opposition, motion passes.

11:16am **Committee Reports: Finance Committee** **Committee Chair/**
Compact Administrative Fee **Interim Legal Counsel**

- Committee Chair provides an update on the Finance Committee's recent activity.
  - The committee met on September 24th to review the draft rule on fees. They returned the draft rule to the Rules Committee with comments.
- Committee Chair states that the Finance Committee is proposing a $25 compact administrative fee and calls for questions.
- Laura Monick (OH) questions if that fee will be enough to sustain the compact once it is in the implementation phase.
  - Committee Chair suggests that this rate will encourage participation.
  - Chair explains that the state survey showed most states intend to use their current licensure rate. With the additional compact fee, this will make a compact privilege more expensive than a regular state license and may discourage participation. Chair also emphasizes that the committee can increase the fee in future if needed.
  - Julia Berman (RI) suggests that this may need more discussion at the state level.
  - Chair mentions that states were already encouraged to set a lower rate to accommodate for the compact fee but chose not to. Some states may not be able to due to budgeting procedures.
  - Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) suggests that more direct conversations with states may encourage accommodation.
  - Charla Burill (AND) emphasizes that the commission could ultimately bring in more revenue by incentivizing utilization with lower initial costs.
- Julia Berman (RI) motions to forward to the Full Commission. Committee Chair seconds. No opposition, motion passes.

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11:24am Data System Update **Chair**

- Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) provides an update on the data system development. The MOU and data system agreement were finalized last meeting, and since then IA has started building the scaffolding for the dietitians' section of CompactConnect.
- Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) advises that there will likely some sort of demo or test environment by the next meeting.
- Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) suggests that the Onboarding Subcommittee meet in October or early November to discuss ways to prepare states for data system testing. Members determine this will need to be scheduled over email.
- Laura Monick (OH) asks if they are still using two-week sprint meetings to update on the development.
    - Kaitlyn Bison (CSG) advises that they are not currently using this structure of communication, but it could be arranged. She also offers to send out recorded demos and walkthroughs.
    - Members express approval and support sharing with the full commission.

11:28am Delegate Questions and Comments **Chair**

- Chair asks for any further questions and receives none.

11:28am Public Questions and Comments **Chair**

- *None received.*

11:31am Adjourn* **Chair**

- Chair asks for a motion to adjourn. Julia Berman (RI) motions. Christine Emerson (MT) seconds. Motion passes.

* Indicates agenda item requires Executive Committee vote

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