

BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING
REMOTE ONLY
MINUTES
Wednesday April 16, 2025 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Dr. Dominic Amirtharaj

Staff: Abbey Myers, Director of Health, Maureen Foley, Clerk Officer,
In attendance: Emily Bailey, Bridge Hunter, Fatima Guevara

CALL TO ORDER: Dominic Amirtharaj called the meeting to order 7:11 pm

This is not an official meeting due to a lack of a quorum.

Public Comment

No Public Comments

Approval of Permit applications for:

Prime Medicine – 500 Arsenal Street

Emily Bailey, EAS Manager and Bridge Hunter, Sr. Non-Critical Director gave a presentation about the lab's activities and safety precautions. Dr. Amirtharaj asked if the animal is injected with lipid capsule and then adding proteins to correct the organ. The IACUC review will be May 5th.

Body Works Regulations and Discussion

Ms. Myers gave a short review of the Body Works Regulations. This will be presented next month.

Tobacco Regulations and Discussion

Ms. Myers gave a short review of the Tobacco Regulations. These regulations are not updated to reflect the state regulations.

Department Updates

SSRS – 1st Quarter Report 2025- there is an uptick in food and housing. Food pantry is moving to 124 Watertown Street.

Nurses Update – There are 700 measles nationwide but no cases in MA. There are 3 cases of mosquito borne diseases due to overseas travel; malaria, dengue fever, Zika virus

Ollie's Law – This law increases kennel safety

Rabies Clinic had a larger than usual turn out.

Items that could not be anticipated before meeting/future meetings

Dr. Amirtharaj requested clarifications to the Body Works Regulations. He stated there should be only body part exposure to what is necessary for the treatment. There should be no unclothed patrons or employees. Per the regulations, Dr. Amirtharaj questioned the advertising could be a freedom of speech issue. Ms. Myers will follow up for next month's meeting. Per the regulations, Dr. Amirtharaj questioned the grievance process. Fines will be issued when necessary.

Next Meeting

May 21, 2025

Adjourn:

Adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM