



Washington State Board of Massage Licensure by Endorsement Committee

Committee Meeting Agenda
August 1, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.

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Times and Order

The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 1, 2024. The meeting will continue until all agenda items are complete. This agenda is subject to change.

Comments from the public in attendance may be solicited after each agenda item.

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Open Session – 9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order – Heidi Williams, LMT, Committee Chair

- 1.1. Introductions and Meeting Ground Rules.
- 1.2. Approval of the Agenda.

2. Rule Discussion for WAC 246-830-035 Licensing by endorsement for out-of-state applicants

- 2.1. Public Comment – Members of the public will be given the opportunity to address the committee members on this agenda item.

- 2.2. Committee members will discuss the drafted language for clarification to WAC 246-830-035 (1)(a)(i) to ensure applicants understand that endorsement is tied to the state's licensure requirements; not the program that the applicant completed.

3. Adjournment – Heidi Williams, LMT, Committee Chair

Next Business Meeting

Date: September 6, 2024

Time: 9:00

Location: Everett

Proposed Language

[WAC 246-830-035](#) Licensing by endorsement for out-of-state applicants.

(1) A massage therapist applicant holding an active and unrestricted massage license in another state or foreign jurisdiction may be granted a Washington massage license if:

(a) The board determines the other state's or foreign jurisdiction's education and training requirements are substantially equivalent to Washington's; AND

(b) The applicant provides proof of successful completion of the Washington state massage jurisprudence examination; AND

(c) The applicant satisfies the requirements in WAC [246-830-020](#).

(2) Substantial equivalency means a course of study at a massage school or massage program that requires:

(a) A minimum of six hundred twenty-five hours of education and training, to be completed in no fewer than twenty-four weeks and approved by the equivalent licensing agency in which it is located at the time of applicant's graduation; OR

(b) A minimum of five hundred hours of education and training which is approved by the equivalent licensing agency in which it is located at the time of applicant's graduation; AND documentation of at least twenty-four hours of continuing education as required in WAC [246-830-475](#) within two years prior to making the application; OR

(c) The applicant meets the requirements of RCW [18.130.077](#).

(3) If an applicant does not meet the requirements of this section, then the applicant may:

(a) Fulfill the remaining education and training requirements as outlined in WAC [246-830-037](#); AND the applicant satisfies the requirements in WAC [246-830-020](#); OR

(b) If the applicant has been licensed in another state or foreign jurisdiction for at least two years immediately preceding their application with no interruption in licensure lasting longer than 90 days; AND the applicant shows proof of at least twenty-four hours of continuing education as required in WAC [246-830-475](#) within two years prior to making the application; AND the applicant provides proof of successful completion of the Washington state

massage jurisprudence examination; AND the applicant satisfies the requirements in WAC [246-830-020](#).