

**STATE COMMITTEE OF EXAMINERS IN THE FITTING AND DISPENSING OF HEARING INSTRUMENTS
CONTINUING EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, February 7, 2008, 1:30 p.m.
Department of State Health Services
Exchange Building, Room S-402
8407 Wall Street
Austin, Texas 78754**

MINUTES

Subcommittee Members Present:

Melissa Rodriguez, Chair
Sara Garza
Ken Haesly
Jerome Kosoy, M.D.

DSHS Staff Present:

David Richards
Joyce Parsons
Stephen Mills
Stewart Myrick

Guests Present:

Ben Norris

Agenda Item 1 was the call to order by Ms. Rodriguez at 1:35 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 was the introduction of guests.

Agenda Item 3 was public comment. There was none.

Agenda Item 4 was the review and approval of the subcommittee report of the meeting held on February 8, 2007. Mr. Haesly made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion and possible action concerning pending applications for continuing education sponsorship, including the following:

Cochlear Americas – Mr. Haesly made a motion to request a completed application as a manufacturer sponsor and a course outline from Cochlear Americas, as required by 22 Texas Administrative Code, §141.14(h). The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Marcon – Ms. Garza made a motion to accept the application as a manufacturer sponsor for five continuing education hours. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Missouri Hearing Society – Ms. Garza made a motion to approve the request for course approval for fifteen continuing education hours as a non-manufacturer sponsor, pending a completed application. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion concerning on-line college courses being exempt to the five hours of on-line continuing education credit limitation in the same manner that on-line non college courses are currently limited to five hours of on-line continuing education. Discussion ensued, and no action was taken.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion as to whether colleges wishing to obtain continuing education provider status should be exempted from the \$500 fee required of all other approved CE providers. Discussion ensued, and no action was taken.

Agenda Item 8 was announcements and subcommittee member(s) comments not requiring subcommittee action. There were none.

Agenda Item 9 was the adjournment of the meeting. Ms. Garza moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously at 2:11 p.m.

Melissa Rodriguez, Chair

Date