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MICHIGAN BOARD OF COUNSELING MEETING

JULY 17, 2026
10:00 a.m.

Ottawa Building, Conference Room 4
611 West Ottawa Street
Lansing, Michigan 48933

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Roll Call/Communication Policy and Public Comment Reminder
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes from meeting of April 17, 2026.
5. HPRC Appointment Request
6. Regulatory Considerations
    A. Michelle Lee Chaves-Torres – Proposal for Decision – Licensure
7. Old Business
    A. None
8. New Business
    A. Limited License Extension Requests
        1. Kim Barge
        2. Odis Ballinger
        3. Sherrice Lavone Benjamin
        4. Rebecca Chinn-Keshishian
        5. Brenda Smith
        6. Satina Thrower
        7. Clare Waterstradt
    B. Elections
    C. Committee Assignments

D. Resolution Review
E. Conflict of Interest
F. Credentials Verification
G. Board Member Resolution
H. Chair Report
I. Department Update

9. Public Comment

10. Announcements: The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held October 16, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at 611 West Ottawa Street, Upper-Level Conference Center Room 4, Lansing, Michigan 48933.

11. Adjournment

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