**IMG Implementation Workgroup Minutes**

February 8, 2021

1. Call to Order
2. Review Last Meeting Notes
3. HB 1129 - Clinical Experience License - Stephanie Mason - 15 min.
   1. Stephanie provided a brief summary of the HB 1129 and opened the floor to discussion and questions from the workgroup.
      1. As the time limit approached the group voted unanimously to have a follow-up meeting dedicated to trying to find a consensus to support the bill as a unified group.
4. Workforce Development Implementation Plan – Judith Pauwels – 30 min.
   1. Dr. Pauwels presented her Workforce Development Implementation Plan to the Workgroup.
      1. Discussion was had as to if this applied to a defined group of physicians or is this open to anyone and what resources this would take up. The plan is based on the original charge laid out in the bill that formed the Workgroup.
      2. Needs to protect IMG’s from being taken advantage of was discussed.
      3. Costs of the project and how it could be realistically funded especially in times of COVID. Teachers and Supervisors are always needed, and stipends are available for those who might make themselves available to being a proctor/supervise for this project.
      4. The program in Minnesota and their BRIDGE program along with the some of the benefits where discussed. The group agreed that further looking into other States that have done similar would be good next step.
5. Other business

None

1. Next steps/adjourn
   1. The workgroup broke down assignments to members for specific states to contact and present their findings back to the group of their “BRIDGE” and alike programs.
      1. Cheryl – Colorado
      2. Mohammed – Minnesota
   2. Meeting Adjourned at 2:00pm

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