

BOARD COMMITTEES

Much of the Board's work is done by committee. Each Board member is assigned to at least one of the following committees:

- The **Administrative Affairs Committee (AAC)** has five (5) Board members, one of which must be a public member. The AAC meets quarterly, in the months prior to Board meeting months, to review applicants for licensure, administrative rules and procedures.
- The **Investigative Committee (IC)** consists of four (4) physician Board members and one (1) public member. The Board's second public member serves as a liaison. The IC meets monthly, except for those months when the full Board convenes, to consider all investigative and disciplinary matters. The IC makes recommendations to the full Board regarding disposition of cases.
- The **Physician Assistant Committee** has a physician who supervises a physician assistant (PA), a pharmacist, two (2) PAs and a Board member. In 2008, the makeup of this Committee will change, with the elimination of the pharmacist member and addition of a third PA member. The PA Committee meets in March, June, September and December, and reviews all applications for licensure, administrative rules, and procedures. It also reviews requests for changes in supervising physicians and PA practice descriptions.
- The **Acupuncture Advisory Committee** has two (2) physicians, three (3) acupuncturists, and a Board member. It meets twice a year, in March and September, to review all applications for licensure, and administrative rules.
- The **Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Advisory Committee** has five members. Three (3) are EMTs and two (2) are physicians. This panel develops First Responder and EMT Scopes of Practice as well as qualifications and responsibilities of the supervising physician. The committee meets in February, May, August and November.
- The **Legislative Advisory Committee** consists of four (4) physician Board members and one (1) public member. It meets at the call of the chair, most often immediately before, and during, sessions of the Oregon Legislature.
- The **Editorial Committee** consists of four (4) Board members. It reviews each issue of the quarterly *BME Report* newsletter prior to publication.
- The **HPP Supervisory Council** consists of five (5) members. It oversees the functions of the program and provides clinical consultation. Members of the Council must be citizens of the state and be familiar with the recognition, intervention, assessment and treatment of chemically dependent persons.

- The **OMB-HPP Liaison Committee** was created in 2007, as a way to better keep communication lines open between the Board and the Health Professionals Program (HPP). The Committee consists of two Board members and two members of the HPP Supervisory Council.

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