

2007 Survey Results

This informal survey was sent with the 2007 renewal notice.

The results are based on the responses of 429 licensees.

1. Is your practice located in Oregon?
 - 28.39% – Yes
 - 71.61% – No

2. If so, where?
 - 82.87% – Portland Metro
 - 3.15% – Coastal OR
 - 6.64% – Southern OR
 - 1.05% – Eastern OR
 - 6.29% – Central OR

3. Do you hold other doctoral degrees or medical certifications?
 - 68.19% – Yes
 - 31.81% – No

4. If so, which ones?
 - 40.94% – LAc
 - 14.04% – BD
 - 17.54% – MSOM
 - 4.68% – RN
 - 22.81% – Other

5. Are you licensed as a Naturopathic Physician under another jurisdiction?
 - 68.17% – Yes
 - 31.83% – No

6. If so, which ones?
 - 33.80% – Washington
 - 11.27% – California
 - 21.13% – Arizona
 - 2.82% – Alaska
 - 30.99% – Other

7. How long have you been in practice?
 - 30.29% – 0-3 years
 - 21.63% – 4-6 years
 - 14.42% – 7-9 years
 - 6.73% – 10-12 years
 - 26.92% – 13⁺ years

8. Are you certified in IV therapies?
57.98% – Yes
42.02% – No
9. If so, what percent of your patients do you treat using the training?
72.67% – Less than 10%
14.53% – 10-25%
11.05% – 25-50%
1.16% – 50-75%
0.58% – 75⁺%
10. Are you certified in Chelation IV therapies?
85.29% – Yes
14.71% – No
11. If so, what percent of your patients do you treat using the training?
89.86% – less than 10%
7.25% – 10-25%
2.90% – 25-50%
0.00% – 50-75%
0.00% – 75⁺%
12. Do you perform minor surgery in your practice?
73.24% – Yes
26.76% – No
13. If so, what percent of your patients do you treat using the training?
81.97% – less than 10%
11.48% – 10-25%
4.92% – 25-50%
0.00% – 50-75%
1.64% – 75⁺%
14. How many hours of training have you had in minor surgery?
36.20% – less then 25 hours
33.94% – 25-50 hours
29.86% – 50⁺ hours
15. Which of the following is the most common minor surgery procedure you perform?
19.23% – Suturing
34.62% – Wart, Mole, Cyst removal
26.28% – Cryotherapy
8.97% – Biopsies
10.90% – Other

16. Are you carrying malpractice insurance in Oregon?
48.55% – Yes
51.45% – No
17. If no, why not?
19.73% – Too expensive
33.63% – Working out of state
6.28% – Don't see the need
24.66% – Have a low risk practice
15.70% – Other
18. What would make the greatest impact in your acquiring malpractice insurance in Oregon?
45.91% – Affordability
11.28% – If it were required
23.35% – If practice were in Oregon
11.28% – Better coverage
8.17% – Other
19. In a 40-hour work week, how many hours are you working outside of a private doctor's office?
71.38% – Less than 10 hours
12.92% – 10-20 hours
4.92% – 20-30 hours
10.77% – 30⁺ hours
20. Which of the following best describes the setting where these non-conventional practice sties occur?
4.57% – Natural/Health food store
4.11% – Laboratory setting
9.59% – Nutraceuticals company
11.87% – Internet/Web
65.30% – Other
21. Do you offer consultation or other services over the Internet or by phone?
48.74% – Yes
51.26% – No
22. If so, how do you establish the initial doctor-patient relationship?
63.82% – Initial in-person visit
19.80% – Telephone
8.19% – E-mail
3.41% – Regular mail
1.02% – Teleconference
3.75% – Other

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