



## Board Welcomes New Officers, Members

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The Oregon Medical Board recently elected new officers and welcomed four new members. The Board also thanked four retiring members for their combined 21 years of service.

Lisa Cornelius, a podiatric physician from Corvallis, is the Board's new Chair. The first podiatrist to hold the position, Dr. Cornelius was appointed to the Board in 2006 and most recently served as Vice Chair. She is a past Vice President of the Oregon Podiatric Medical Association, and is a member of the American Podiatric Medical Association and the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons. Dr. Cornelius is in private practice and also affiliated with Good Samaritan Medical Center in Corvallis.

The new Board leadership also includes Ralph Yates, DO as Vice Chair, and Linda Johnson, MD as Secretary. Dr. Yates is a family physician and founder of Columbia Family Medical Associates, P.C. in Portland, an independent primary group. He also serves as an Associate Clinical Professor of Family Medicine at Oregon Health & Science University. Dr. Johnson is an emergency medicine physician from Turner, and has been involved in both patient care and medical administration for many years. She has served as Medical Director of the Occupational Health Services Department at Portland Adventist Medical Center, and as Associate Area Medical Director for Occupational Health Services for the United States Postal Services.

Joining the Board this past March are John P. Kopetski of Pendleton, George Koval, MD of Portland, Roger McKimmy, MD of Eugene, and Kent Williamson, MD of Portland. Serving as a public member, Mr. Kopetski is a Financial Consultant for D.A. Davidson. He previously served as Chairman of the Bottle Bill Task Force, Chair of the Oregon Ethics



*New OMB Chair, Dr. Lisa Cornelius of Corvallis.*

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# News from HPP

All current HPP enrollees participate in HPP via a signed **A** voluntary consent agreement. Those enrollees who have not completed the program by June 30, 2010 will need to enroll in the new HPP (NHPP) to remain in compliance with their current HPP contract. This transfer of enrollment from HPP to NHPP must be done pursuant to a new consent agreement signed by the enrollee on or before June 1, 2010. This new agreement will protect the identity of all transferred enrollees in the transfer process. These consent forms will be mailed to all HPP participants in the spring after DHS has selected a NHPP contractor.

We understand that this is a difficult time and we are committed to make this transition as smooth as possible. We also do not anticipate that current HPP enrollees will experience major changes to their monitoring agreement with the NHPP.

However, it must be understood that current law requires that a report be made to the Oregon Medical Board regarding HPP enrollees who are not granted release and who do not consent to their transfer to the NHPP prior to June 30, 2010. ♦

## HPP Administration Updates:

Joseph D. Bloom, MD has accepted the position of Medical Director. He is now responsible for administrative and transitional issues. Denise Dion, MD remains with HPP as the Clinical Director. She heads the clinical program and transition of clinical aspects to the new program.

## Current Supervisory Council members:

Glen Maynard, LPC; Chair, Portland

Robert Skinner, MD; Vice Chair, Portland

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Karen Wheeler, MA; Salem

## New Board Members

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*New OMB Board members, (top left to right) John Kopetski and Kent Williamson, MD; (bottom left to right) Roger McKimmy, MD and George Koval, MD.*

Committee, and Chair of Blue Mountain Community College. Dr. Koval is a practicing gastroenterologist and serves as President and Director of Research for the West Hills Gastroenterology Division of the Oregon Clinic. For the past 20 years, Dr. Koval has been chair of the Credentials Committee at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center. He also serves on the Regional Credentials Committee for the Portland Service Area of the PHS, and on the Health and Safety Committee for the Oregon Medical Association. Dr. McKimmy is in private practice at the Oregon Urology Institute in Springfield with additional clinics in Roseburg and Florence. Dr. McKimmy also serves as the Principal Investigator of the Oregon Urology Institute's Division of Clinical Research. Dr. Williamson is in private practice with Pacific Vascular Specialists, serves as Medical Director

of the Non-Invasive Vascular Lab at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center, and is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Vascular Surgery at Oregon Health & Science University.

The Oregon Medical Board is grateful for the dedicated service of four retiring Board members. Serving on the Board since 2004 are Patricia Smith of Bend; Natalie Johnson, MD of Portland; and Gary LeClair, MD of Springfield. Sarojini Budden, MD of Lake Oswego served on the Board since 2007. ♦

## Licensure Application Now Online

After ten months of planning, the Oregon Medical Board is proud to announce a new system that allows for all MD, DO and DPM applicants to apply online for their Initial Licensure or for their Limited License. Along with the Initial Application, all Acupuncture licensees wishing to renew can also do so online. OMB staff and data base vendor GLSuite worked towards a "Go Live" date of April 1, 2010, and were able to meet that goal.

"All of us at OMB consider this achievement to be an amazing milestone," said Kathleen Haley, Executive Director of the OMB. "The new system provides a path for efficient online transmittal of eligibility requirements for the licensure process."

The system also allows applicants to log out at any time during the application process, and log in at a later date and resume from the screen last worked on. Once the application is attested and transmitted, the system will not allow for reentry. Applicants who need to make a change after information has been sent, can contact the OMB directly for further help and corrections to the application. ♦

# Licensure Process Now by Expedited Endorsement

The Board worked with the Legislature during 2009 to accelerate the licensure process while maintaining the integrity of the eligibility requirements. Since the passage of HB 2435, OMB staff have worked to develop an expedited license by endorsement.

At its October 2009 meeting, the Board passed temporary rules, Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 847, Division 026, that further defined this legislation. Final rules were approved at the January 2010 Board meeting.

Under the new system, eligible applicants who have been licensed and practiced in other states, and who are board certified by the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) or the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) are not required to provide a Dean's letter from their medical school nor a residency evaluation. Qualified applicants who are not board certified can arrange for verification of medical school and residency training through their original state of licensure. In addition, the Board only requires verification of licensure from the state of current or most recent practice for eligible applicants.

To qualify for licensure by expedited endorsement, the applicant must be either licensed in another state and in continuous clinical practice for at least one year, or have been retired for one year or less; be either currently board certified or be eligible for primary source verification of core credentials from the state in which the physician was originally licensed; be in good standing in all other states



licensed; have a clean employment record; and have no significant pattern of malpractice claims or patient care issues.

In late December 2009, Board staff began applying the new endorsement regulations to the processing of incoming applications. For the first four months since implementation, 148 of 181 applications received from physicians licensed in another state (82 percent) have qualified for the Board's endorsement track, and 42 licenses have been issued by expedited endorsement; the remainder are in process. ◆

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# Oregon Physicians Play Essential Role in POLST Registry

The Oregon Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) program is designed to assure that the medical treatment wishes expressed by patients at the end of life are honored by health care professionals as the patient moves from one health care setting to another. The voluntary use of the POLST document is intended to align medical treatments with the wishes of persons with advanced illness and frailty, and is expected to complement an advance directive if one has been completed. In 2009, the Oregon Legislature passed HB2009 as part of Oregon's health care reform efforts, enabling Oregon to launch the nation's first 24-hour electronic POLST Registry. The Registry ensures that, especially in emergency situations, medical personnel at the scene or in the emergency room can obtain quick and accurate information about a patient's health care wishes. The new law requires that the signing health care professional submit the form to the Registry (unless the patient opts out of the Registry). This mandate became effective on December 3, 2009.

Oregon is the only state to have the force of a mandate for the functioning of an electronic registry. "When emergency medical personnel can find a POLST form on the scene, it provides medical orders and is remarkably effective in helping to assure that patient wishes are followed," said Terri Schmidt M.D., director of the POLST Registry project and a professor of emergency medicine at OHSU. "Unfortunately, frequently they are unable to immediately locate a patient's POLST form. This is why the Registry plays such a crucial role."



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To date, the Oregon POLST Registry has received POLST forms from all 36 Oregon counties and has over 15,000 forms in its secure database. On December 3, 2009, the Emergency Communications Center (ECC), housed at OHSU, began responding to calls 24/7 from emergency medical services personnel at the scene and from hospital emergency departments statewide. The ECC is able to provide POLST orders on matched patients in less than two minutes.

Given its experience to date, the Oregon POLST Registry is a tremendous early success. The entry process is fully operational, staffed six days a week; POLST forms are entered into the database far faster than anticipated and well below the state's time requirement. The Registry, however, reports a "completion error rate" of about 13 percent. Completion errors occur when the POLST form

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# Board Actions

October 16, 2009 to March 15, 2010

## Disciplinary Orders

*Reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB)*

**BALDWIN, Stanley Sherman, MD; MD08793  
Springfield, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on December 3, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand, \$10,000 fine, and 100 hours of community service.

**BRISTOL, Jyoji Takata, MD; Applicant  
Cheshire, CT**

The Board issued a Default Final Order on January 15, 2010. This Order denied the Applicant's application for licensure in Oregon and imposed a \$10,000 fine.

**CAHN, Paul Jeffrey, MD; MD19037  
Beaverton, OR**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on November 30, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to withdraw from practice pending the completion of the Board's investigation into his ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

**CAMPBELL, David Douglas, MD; MD14033  
West Linn, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on December 3, 2009. In this Order, Licensee was reprimanded and retired his license while under investigation by the Board. Licensee understands and stipulates that his retirement from the practice of medicine is permanent, and that he will never reapply for a medical license in Oregon.

**CORIA-CAREW, Micaela Ruth, LAc; AC00561  
Portland, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on January 14, 2010. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand, \$5,000 fine, medical ethics course, and ensure that she practice under the same last name for both her acupuncture and naturopathic licenses.

**DUKE, David John, MD; MD17195  
Springfield, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on December 3, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand, \$10,000 fine, and 100 hours of community service.

**GENESE, Thomas Owen, MD; Applicant  
New Haven, CT**

Applicant entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on November 5, 2009. In this Order, Applicant was reprimanded and agreed to withdraw his application for licensure while under investigation and agrees to never re-apply for an Oregon medical license.

**GLOVER, Warren Maywood, Jr., MD; MD16408  
Springfield, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on December 3, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand, \$10,000 fine, and 100 hours of community service.

**HALSTEAD, William Elbert, MD; MD23424  
LaGrande, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on November 11, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to immediately surrender his license to practice medicine while under investigation. Licensee may not apply for a medical license for a minimum of one year from the date of this Order.

**HICKS, Richard Eldon, MD; MD09954****Eugene, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on December 3, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand, \$10,000 fine, and 100 hours of community service.

**FERRIN, William Myron, III, MD; MD17742****West Linn, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on March 4, 2010. The Board terminated Licensee's January 9, 2009, Interim Stipulated Order and returned Licensee to practice subject to terms and conditions.

**LAI, Wallace MD; MD17813****Beaverton, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on January 14, 2010. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand; 90-day suspension which is stayed provided the Licensee fully complies with the terms of the Order; 10-year probation with quarterly reports to the Board; \$10,000 fine; professionals boundary course; and continue on-going therapy with quarterly reports to the Board.

**LARNER, Albert Ernest, MD; MD06331****Portland, OR**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on March 3, 2010. In this Order, Licensee agreed to withdraw from practice pending completion of the Board's investigation into his ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

**MCCLUSKEY, Edward Alan, MD; MD18356****Gresham, OR**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on March 4, 2010. Effective March 5, 2010, Licensee will not

perform any surgical or interventional procedure on any patient, but will begin transferring the care of his patients to other healthcare providers, which is to be completed within 14 days from the date of this Order. Effective 14 days from the date of this Order, Licensee will accept a voluntary limitation on his license to practice only administrative medicine and will provide no patient care.

**MELNICK, Jeffrey Bruce, PA; PA00251****Tigard, OR**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on February 22, 2010. In this Order, Licensee agreed to not conduct any examination or medical procedure on a female patient 18 years-of-age without a trained chaperone being present throughout the course of the examination or procedure. The presence of the chaperone will be immediately documented in the patient chart. The chaperone shall be medically trained and not a friend or relative of the patient or physician assistant. Licensee will avoid any social contact with female patients or the immediate family member of any patient outside of the clinical setting.

**MOCKOVAK, Michael Emeric, MD; MD26938****Renton, WA**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on January 14, 2010. In this Order, Licensee agreed to surrender his Oregon medical license while under investigation and agreed to never reapply for an Oregon license.

**MOREY, Peter Samuel, MD; MD24236****Portland, OR**

The Board issued an Order for Emergency Suspension on January 6, 2010. This Order

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requires Licensee to cease the practice of medicine by 6:00 p.m. on January 6, 2010 until otherwise ordered by the Board.

### **READ, Ralph Lewis, MD; MD22066**

#### **Portland, OR**

The Board issued a Final Order on January 14, 2010. This Order revoked Licensee's Oregon medical license; fined him \$10,000; and assessed him the costs of the disciplinary proceeding.

### **SMUCKER, Lonnie Lee, MD; MD17893**

#### **Portland, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on March 4, 2010, subject to the following terms and conditions of probation: reprimand; Licensee must not view, download or possess pornography in any setting or in any form; Licensee must inform any present/future employer in the health care field of this Order; 10-year probation; quarterly Board reporting; maintain relationship with mental health professional with quarterly reports to the Board; pre-approved practice settings; polygraph compliance monitoring; Licensee's office and home computer are subject to compliance inspection upon demand.

### **WAN, William Kang, LAc; AC00919**

#### **Portland, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on January 14, 2010. In this Order, Licensee agreed to a reprimand, five years of probation with quarterly Board interviews, \$10,000 fine, and a course on medical ethics.

## Prior Orders Modified or Terminated

### **ANDERSON, Molly West, MD; MD19134**

#### **Eugene, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Order on January 14, 2010. This Order terminated Licensee's April 9, 2009, Corrective Action Order.

### **INOUYE, Allan Ames, MD; MD17377**

#### **North Bend, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Interim Stipulated Order on December 3, 2009. This Order terminated Licensee's May 27, 2009, Interim Stipulated Order and returned Licensee to active practice.

### **LAWSON, Kenneth Lee, MD; MD18026**

#### **Reedsport, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Order on November 5, 2009. This Order terminated Licensee's October 12, 2006, Corrective Action Order.

### **LHUNDUP, Karma Jampa, LAc; AC00845**

#### **Portland, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Suspension Order on March 4, 2010. Licensee's Oregon acupuncture license is now returned to active status.

### **PHIPPS, Richard Boyd, MD; MD11864**

#### **Gresham, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Final Order on January 14, 2010. This Order terminated Licensee's April 16, 1999, Final Order.

### **POSTON, Hudson Cartwright Elizabeth**

#### **Frances, LAc; AC01278**

#### **Portland, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Order on November 5, 2009.

This Order terminated Licensee's March 5, 2009, Corrective Action Order.

**PURDY, Catherine Ann, DPM; DP00162**

**Salem, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Voluntary Limitation on January 14, 2010. This Order terminates Licensee's January 14, 1993, Voluntary Limitation.

**SIMANTS, Erin Michelle, LAc; AC140889**

**Portland, OR**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Agreement on December 7, 2009. This Order terminates Licensee's October 29, 2009 Corrective Action Agreement.

**YANKEE, Joseph Earl, DO; DO19458**

**Milwaukie, OR**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on November 17, 2009. In this Order, Licensee agreed to withdraw from practice pending the completion of the Board's investigation into his ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

The Board issued an Order Terminating Interim Stipulated Order on December 3, 2009. This Order terminates Licensee's November 17, 2009 Interim Stipulated Order.

*Note: Copies of most Board Orders issued from 1998 to the present are available for viewing on the OMB website: [www.oregon.gov/OMB](http://www.oregon.gov/OMB). ♦*

# Oregon Administrative Rules

Rules proposed and adopted by the Oregon Medical Board.

## Temporary Rules

### *First Review of permanent rules*

The Board adopted these rules by temporary rule adoption on April 9, 2010, and the Board approved the first review of this rule at the same time. Rules approved by temporary rule adoption must follow the same procedure for regular rule adoption by going through a first and final review within the 180 days allowed by the temporary rule adoption procedure before being permanently adopted.

### **Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT)**

**OAR 847-035-0030, Scope of Practice** — The temporary rule deletes the sunset date of June 30, 2010 from the rule on amended language related to immunizations for EMT-Intermediates and EMT-Paramedics.

### **Physician Assistants (PA)**

**OAR 847-050-0020, Qualifications** — The temporary rule allows waiver of requirement to pass the NCCPA certification exam within four attempts if the applicant is currently certified by the NCCPA.

## Proposed Rules

### *First Review*

The Board discussed these rule proposals on First Review, and passed them to Final Review.

### **Physician Assistants (PA)**

**OAR 847-050-0020, Qualification** — The proposed

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## Adopted Rules

*Final Review*

### **All Licensees**

**OAR 847-010-0073, Reporting Incompetent or Impaired Licensees to the Board** — The adopted rule amendments are in response to House Bill 2059 (2009). Amendments require report to Board by licensee of any arrest for a felony crime or any conviction for a misdemeanor or felony and report to other health care licensing boards if licensee believes another state licensed health care professional has engaged in prohibited or unprofessional conduct and is not otherwise protected by state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or protection of health care information prohibiting disclosure.

### **Physicians (MD/DO), Podiatric Physicians (DPM), and Physician Assistants (PA)**

**OAR 847-005-0005, Fees** — The adopted rule change adds a \$25.00 per year fee for the Electronic Prescription Monitoring Program

for licensees (physicians, podiatric physicians and physician assistants) authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances. Licensees with Active, Locum Tenens, Telemonitoring, Teleradiology, Telemedicine and Emeritus status are included. Licensees with a Limited License are not included.

### **Physicians (MD/DO) and Podiatric Physicians (DPM)**

**OAR 847-008-0023, Telemonitoring Registration** — The adopted rule amendment corrects the license type to Active-Telemonitoring.

### **Physicians (MD/DO)**

**OAR 847-020-0100, Definitions; OAR 847-020-0130 Basic Requirements for Licensure of an International Medical School Graduate; OAR 020-0150 Documents and Forms to be Submitted for Licensure; OAR 847-020-0160, Letters and Official Grade Certificates to be Submitted for Licensure; OAR 847-020-0183, SPEX or COMVEX Examination, Re-Entry Plan, Assessment of Professional Competency and Personal Interview** — The adopted rule amendments add the definition of “approved school of medicine” from ORS 677.010 and add graduates of international medical schools on the list of medical schools recognized by the Medical Board of California as eligible for Oregon licensure. Adopted rule amendments update the term “foreign” to “international” when used to modify “medical graduate,” “medical school” or “school of medicine.” Adopted rule change also adds language on re-entry plans for applicants who have been out-of-practice for more than 24 consecutive months to clarify existing Board practices.

**OAR 847-023-0010, Documents and Forms to be Submitted for Licensure; OAR 847-023-0015, Letters and Official Grade Certifications to be Submitted for Licensure with Emeritus Registration** — The adopted rule amendments update the term “foreign” to “international” when used to modify “medical graduate,” “medical school” or “school of medicine.”

**Division 026, Rules For License By Expedited Endorsement; OAR 847-026-0000, Qualifications for License by Endorsement; OAR 847-026-0005, Application; OAR 847-026-0010, Documents, Letters, Certifications Obtained by the Board; OAR 847-026-0015, Documents and Forms to be Submitted for Licensure; OAR 847-026-0020, Letters and Official Grade Certifications to be Submitted for Licensure** — The adopted rules are in response to House Bill 2435 (2009) and outline the requirements for expedited licensure by endorsement.

### **Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT)**

**OAR 847-035-0030, Scope of Practice** — The adopted rule amendment adds language to the EMT-I and EMT-P scopes of practice to distribute medications and to provide seasonal and pandemic influenza vaccinations to the general public as directed by the Oregon State Public Health Officer and/or the CDC Advisory Committee until June 30, 2010.

### **Physician Assistants (PA)**

**OAR 847-050-0046, Active Status for Temporary, Rotating Assignments** — The adopted rule allows physician assistants who are no longer actively practicing to practice temporary, volunteer assignments or to practice on a rotating basis in Oregon.

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## **About OARs**

The Oregon Medical Board and other state regulatory agencies operate under a system of administrative rules, in order to ensure fairness and consistency in their procedures and decisions. Periodically, these Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) must be amended and/or expanded in response to changing standards and circumstances. OARs are written and amended in accordance with state laws (Oregon Revised Statutes or ORS), which may be enacted, amended or repealed only by the Legislature. ◆

## **Statements of Purpose**

**The mission of the Oregon Medical Board is to protect the health, safety and well being of Oregon citizens by regulating the practice of medicine in a manner that promotes quality care.**

**The *OMB Report* is published to help promote medical excellence by providing current information about laws and issues affecting medical licensure and practice in Oregon.**



# Online Renewal a Huge Success

**A**fter two years of preparation, the Oregon Medical Board launched its online license renewal option last October. The program proved to be a huge success, with thousands of renewals processed in half the expected time.

From October through December, 2009, the Board processed more than 14,500 renewals. Of these, 99 percent came from the online renewal system, with less than 100 licensees using paper applications.

The OMB's goal was to process the renewals and mail certificates within 15 days of receipt, a reduction of five days over the 2007 process time. The OMB shattered its goal with renewals processed in less than seven days.

Extended office hours, increased training, as well as the online system attributed to the renewal success. ♦

## It's The Law

**You must notify the OMB within 30 days of changing your practice address or mailing address.**

**To help ensure that you receive your license renewals and other important information on time, call the OMB for an address-change form, 917-673-2700, or print the form from [www.oregon.gov/OMB/forms.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/OMB/forms.shtml)**

# POLST Registry

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lacks a required element for entry into the Registry, subsequently delaying entry until the missing information can be completed. "We find that the majority of completion errors are due to a missing physician signature or date signed—in fact, over half of completion errors are because of one or both of these missing required elements," said Jenny Cook, POLST Registry Coordinator. "Physicians are encouraged to ensure that POLST forms are submitted with all required elements in order to guarantee error-free entry into the Registry."

These required elements include:

- Patient first and last name
- Date of birth
- Licensed Oregon MD, NP or PA legibly printed name and signature
- Date signed
- Section A orders for cardiopulmonary resuscitation completed

Oregon physicians play an essential role for the Registry. Without these elements on the POLST form submitted to the Registry, staff must obtain the needed information from the physician, causing delays in Registry entry. Once complete, physicians should submit POLST forms via fax to 503-418-2161.

For additional information or questions, contact the POLST Registry directly at 503-418-4083 or via e-mail at [polstreg@ohsu.edu](mailto:polstreg@ohsu.edu). ♦

# Annual Licensing Statistics

## As of December 31, 2009

Doctors of Medicine (MD)	2007	2008	2009
Active	9915	10,211	10,389
Inactive	2012	1,762	1,604
Emeritus	574	471	553
Emeritus Inactive	98	2	0
Locum Tenens	347	390	335
Limited (all types)	669	661	676
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,615</b>	<b>13,497</b>	<b>13,557</b>

Doctors of Osteopathy (DO)	2007	2008	2009
Active	605	634	673
Inactive	128	122	113
Emeritus	14	9	12
Emeritus Inactive	4	0	0
Locum Tenens	26	26	28
Limited (all types)	36	41	59
<b>Total</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>832</b>	<b>885</b>

Podiatric Physicians (DPM)	2007	2008	2009
Active	146	152	159
Inactive	27	19	17
Emeritus	1	0	1
Emeritus Inactive	0	0	0
Locum Tenens	0	2	2
Limited (all types)	9	9	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>188</b>

Acupuncturists (LAc)	2007	2008	2009
Active	862	891	1,031
Inactive	65	57	60
Locum Tenens	7	9	12
Limited (all types)	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>958</b>	<b>1,104</b>

Physician Assistants (PA)	2007	2008	2009
Active	745	826	905
Inactive	113	75	68
Locum Tenens	2	2	1
Limited (all types)	5	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>975</b>

<b>Total of All Licenses</b>	<b>16,411</b>	<b>16,372</b>	<b>16,709</b>
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# Annual Investigative Statistics

## As of December 31, 2009

Complaints Received	2007	2008	2009
Phone Calls (total)	2,544	2,260	2,186
E-Mail Inquiries (total)	169	149	135
Written Complaints (total)	571	561	543

Open and Closed Investigations	2007	2008	2009
Investigations Opened	321	327	313
Investigations Closed	314	339	319

Investigative Committee Interviews Held	2007	2008	2009
	63	74	58

Contested Case Hearings Held	2007	2008	2009
	7	1	4

Source of Complaints	2007	2008	2009
Oregon Medical Board	47	58	47
Compliance	1	0	0
Hospital or Other Health Care Institution	15	20	18
Insurance Company	11	4	3
Malpractice Review	45	29	11
Other	25	28	28
Other Boards	6	3	1
Other Health Care Providers	35	26	31
Patient or Patient Associate	148	129	123
Pharmacy	7	8	3
Self-reported	4	5	18

Categories of Complaints	2007	2008	2009
Failure to Comply with Board Order	5	8	3
Inappropriate Care/Incompetence	209	174	201
Inappropriate Prescribing	51	45	55
Mental Illness/Impaired License	17	13	9
Other/Miscellaneous	7	32	43
Sexual Misconduct	21	11	20
Substance Abuse, Personal	12	21	18
Unprofessional Conduct	159	140	170
Violation of Probation	2	3	0
Violation of State or Federal Statutes	28	36	27

# Oregon Medical Board Licensing Statistics by Oregon County

All Licensees (Active Only) as of March 15, 2010

County (Seat)	MDs	DOs	DPMs	PAs	Acup.'s	TOTALS
<b>BAKER</b> (Baker City)	21	3	1	7	1	<b>33</b>
<b>Benton</b> (Corvallis)	254	30	3	39	24	<b>350</b>
<b>Clackamas</b> (Oregon City)	789	73	11	51	76	<b>1,000</b>
<b>Clatsop</b> (Astoria)	71	7	2	11	8	<b>99</b>
<b>Columbia</b> (St. Helens)	24	1	1	8	4	<b>38</b>
<b>Coos</b> (Coquille)	125	6	2	9	8	<b>150</b>
<b>Crook</b> (Prineville)	16	3	0	5	5	<b>29</b>
<b>Curry</b> (Gold Beach)	20	4	1	3	1	<b>29</b>
<b>Deschutes</b> (Bend)	470	34	12	91	52	<b>659</b>
<b>Douglas</b> (Roseburg)	188	32	3	20	4	<b>247</b>
<b>Gilliam</b> (Condon)	1	0	0	1	0	<b>2</b>
<b>Grant</b> (Canyon City)	8	0	0	1	2	<b>11</b>
<b>Harney</b> (Burns)	11	0	0	1	0	<b>12</b>
<b>Hood River</b> (Hood River)	81	5	2	10	10	<b>108</b>
<b>Jackson</b> (Medford)	513	49	8	48	44	<b>662</b>
<b>Jefferson</b> (Madras)	20	1	2	3	1	<b>27</b>
<b>Josephine</b> (Grants Pass)	136	19	5	19	12	<b>191</b>
<b>Klamath</b> (Klamath Falls)	134	11	2	10	4	<b>161</b>
<b>Lake</b> (Lakeview)	9	1	0	1	0	<b>11</b>
<b>Lane</b> (Eugene)	866	30	9	69	61	<b>1,035</b>
<b>Lincoln</b> (Newport)	65	10	2	14	11	<b>102</b>
<b>Linn</b> (Albany)	150	9	2	13	6	<b>180</b>
<b>Malheur</b> (Vale)	50	9	3	25	0	<b>87</b>
<b>Marion</b> (Salem)	659	39	9	68	26	<b>801</b>
<b>Morrow</b> (Heppner)	5	1	0	4	0	<b>10</b>
<b>Multnomah</b> (Portland)	3,621	181	32	252	563	<b>4,649</b>
<b>Polk</b> (Dallas)	55	12	2	14	2	<b>85</b>
<b>Sherman</b> (Moro)	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Tillamook</b> (Tillamook)	39	1	1	5	2	<b>48</b>
<b>Umatilla</b> (Pendleton)	99	15	4	13	0	<b>131</b>
<b>Union</b> (LaGrande)	62	2	0	0	4	<b>68</b>
<b>Wallowa</b> (Enterprise)	12	0	0	1	3	<b>16</b>
<b>Wasco</b> (The Dalles)	77	9	0	13	7	<b>106</b>
<b>Washington</b> (Hillsboro)	1,370	51	22	142	98	<b>1,683</b>
<b>Wheeler</b> (Fossil)	4	0	0	3	0	<b>7</b>
<b>Yamhill</b> (McMinnville)	174	11	5	12	11	<b>213</b>
<b>None/Not Applicable</b>	62	6	1	1	4	<b>74</b>
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>10,262</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>987</b>	<b>1,054</b>	<b>13,115</b>

# CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

## May

- 3, Monday  
**HPP Supervisory Council**  
 (Conference Call), 4:30 p.m.
- 6, Thursday  
**Investigative Committee**, 8 a.m.
- 11, Tuesday  
**HPP Supervisory Council**, 9 a.m.  
*S.W. Hampton St., Suite 130,  
 Tigard, (503) 620-9117*
- 17, Monday  
**HPP Supervisory Council**  
 (Conference Call), 4:30 p.m.
- 21, Friday  
**EMT Advisory Committee**,  
 9 a.m.

## June

- 3, Thursday  
**Investigative Committee**, 8 a.m.
- 8, Tuesday  
**HPP Supervisory Council**, 9 a.m.  
*S.W. Hampton St., Suite 130,  
 Tigard, (503) 620-9117*
- 9, Wednesday  
**Administrative Affairs Committee**  
 5 p.m.
- 10, Thursday  
**Physician Assistant Committee**  
 9:30 a.m.
- 11, Friday  
**Acupuncture Advisory  
 Committee**, 12 p.m.
- 21, Monday  
**HPP Supervisory Council**  
 (Conference Call), 4:30 p.m.

- 24, Thursday  
**Investigative Committee**, 8 a.m.

## July

- 8 - 9, Thursday & Friday  
**Medical Board**, 8 a.m.

## August

- 5, Thursday  
**Investigative Committee**  
 8 a.m.
- 27, Friday  
**EMT Advisory Committee**  
 9 a.m.

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