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

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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.

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Eugene Podiatrist Joins the Board

Andrew Schink, DPM, born and raised in Portland, Oregon, is a semi-retired podiatrist practicing in Eugene since 1979. Dr. Schink received his Doctor of Podiatric Medicine degree at the California College of Podiatric Medicine in 1978. He completed his podiatric surgical residency at Medical Center Hospital in Portland.

Dr. Schink is a Diplomate of the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgery. He is a member of the Oregon Podiatric Medical Association where he has held numerous positions including President and Chairman of the Peer Review Committee. Dr. Schink has served on the Credentials Committee at Sacred Heart Hospital and also been an Examiner for the American Board Foot and Ankle Surgery for the past 17 years. He is a member of the Medical Executive Committee of McKenzie Surgery Center, a position he has held since 1996.



Andrew C. Schink, DPM

Dr. Schink enjoys building model masted ships in his spare time as well as golfing, reading history and spending time with his wife.

Dr. Schink succeeds Lisa Lipe, DPM, who served as a member of the Board since 2015 and most recently held the position of Board Secretary. +

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FamilyCare Closure: Updates for Providers

FamilyCare, a coordinated care organization (CCO) in Washington, Multnomah, Clackamas, Yamhill, and Marion counties, will no longer serve Oregon Health Plan members after January 31, 2018. **Despite the closure, FamilyCare members continue to have health care coverage under the Oregon Health Plan, and their care should not be interrupted.** These patients transitioned into a new CCO by February 1, 2018.

Patients and health care providers are understandably concerned about the effects of FamilyCare's closure. The Oregon Health Authority is overseeing this transition and is committed to protecting members' access to and continuity of care. For additional updates, visit www.oregon.gov/oha/HSD/OHP/Pages/fc-transition.aspx. +

Acupuncture Advisory Committee Opening

The Oregon Medical Board is seeking a physician with acupuncture training to join the Acupuncture Advisory Committee.

The Committee makes recommendations to the Board on licensing, practice regulations, and other issues related to acupuncture in Oregon. It is composed of three acupuncturists, two physicians and one Board member. The term of office is three years, and members may be reappointed to serve a second term. Committee meetings occur twice a year, with additional meetings or conference calls as necessary.

Letters of interest and curricula vitae (CV) are due by May 15, 2018. Interested licensees may visit www.oregon.gov/omb/board/Pages/Board-and-Committee-Vacancies.aspx for more information.

Customer Service Surveys

In October through December 2017, **18,423 physicians and PAs renewed their licenses** to practice medicine in Oregon. All licensees are offered a customer service survey so that we can continue to improve the services we provide. We received 3,459 surveys with 623 additional written comments. Each one is reviewed for possible areas of improvement. We also appreciate your many, many notes of thanks for what we already do well. Here's a sampling of what you had to say.

"It was somewhat difficult to figure out where to go on the website to renew a license." *Thank you for bringing this to our attention. For the next renewal, the OMB will provide a more prominent link in our newsletter, postcard and email reminders, and of course on the website.*

"The online renewal process is simple, smooth, and quick. Thanks for creating it. I remember when renewal took weeks instead of minutes."

Many licensees were surprised to immediately reach Call Center staff for renewal assistance, but a few licensees reported a wait time that was too long. *We don't want to keep you waiting! Our Call Center staff fielded 6,866 phone calls during the renewal period. The busiest call times were early morning and mid-day. We also experienced a surge in calls in the second half of December as the renewal deadline neared.*

"I am always impressed with the OMB. There is a personal aspect to the agency that is unmatched and refreshing."

"The personal history questions were confusing as to providing information from the last two years versus 'Did you ever?'" *The OMB wants to know any new information since we last heard from you (most often since the last renewal). We will work to make this clearer on future renewal applications.*

"I wasn't aware that license renewal was a next-day service!" and "Fastest renewal EVER! The changes you have made since two years ago are outstanding."

"Does the OMB e-blast regulatory changes impacting licensees?" *Yes! Sign up for e-notifications at <http://omb.oregon.gov/subscribe-rules> or e-mail OMB.Info@state.or.us and ask to join the interested parties list for OMB rules.*

"I have enjoyed my experience with the OMB for nearly a quarter of a century. I have always appreciated the role that the OMB performs in maintaining high professional standards, in disseminating timely information to the practicing community, and in the collegial environment that is encouraged among the caregivers represented by the board."

"Can you publish an end of year summary of all rule changes? It could be digital." *Absolutely! Look for a summary of all 2017 OMB rule changes soon. Current rule changes are always available at <http://omb.oregon.gov/rules>.*

"The renewal form is easy to follow. I appreciate that the language is straightforward. Also, I am grateful for the Board's reminder slips."

Did You Know?

On average, a license was renewed 4.45 days after a licensee submitted a renewal application.



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CME: Refugee Health *Introduction for Primary Care*

Healthcare providers may struggle to effectively communicate with and serve refugee populations in Oregon. At the same time, refugees experience health disparities and may find traditional healthcare practices and settings lacking in some ways. OHSU is offering a CME activity to promote increased comfort and efficacy for general healthcare providers and staff in an effort to improve health outcomes in refugee communities in Oregon.

Date: April 9, 2018

Location: Oregon Medical Association Conference Center, 11740 SW 68th Parkway, Portland

Registration: For more information and to register, visit www.ohsu.edu/som/cme or contact OHSU's Division of Continuing Professional

CME: Suicide Risk and Management

The *QPRT Suicide Risk Assessment and Management Training Program* will be offered in conjunction with the Oregon Suicide Prevention Conference. This program for health care providers aims to standardize the detection, assessment, and management of patients at elevated risk for self-directed violence in all settings and across the age span.

Date: March 12, 2018

Location: Camp Withycombe, 15300 Minuteman Way, Clackamas

Registration: Contact Asa Wright, Lines for Life Prevention Projects Coordinator, at 971-247-9072 or asaw@linesforlife.org.



**ENDING THE OPIOID CRISIS
STARTS NOW**

This is a must-attend event for everyone committed to ending the opioid crisis, improving pain management and providing better access to addiction treatment — health systems, clinicians and providers, and community leaders. *Together we will spark transformation for lasting change.*

OREGON CONFERENCE on
OPIOIDS, PAIN + ADDICTION TREATMENT

Pioneering Change

SAVE THE DATE > MAY 17-19, 2018 HILTON EUGENE | EUGENE, OREGON

For more information about this conference, please contact:

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Podiatric Physicians Supervising PAs

With the passage of Senate Bill 831 (2017), the Oregon legislature expanded the authority of podiatric physicians so that they may supervise physician assistants (PAs). The Oregon Medical Board's rules now include podiatric physicians in the definition of "supervising physician" along with medical doctors (MDs) and doctors of osteopathic medicine (DOs).

OAR 847-050-0010(9) "Supervising physician" means a physician licensed under ORS 677.100 to 677.228, or a podiatric physician and surgeon licensed under ORS 677.805 to 677.840, actively registered and in good standing with the Board, and approved by the Board as a supervising physician, who provides direction and regular review of the medical services provided by the physician assistant.

The same regulations apply to all supervising physicians. A podiatric physician must become a Board-approved supervising physician before supervising PAs.

A PA may provide medical services, including prescribing controlled substances, that are:

- Delegated by the supervising physician to the PA,
- Within the scope of practice and competency of the PA,
- Within the scope of practice and competency of the supervising physician,
- Provided under the supervision of the supervising physician,
- Generally described in and in compliance with the practice agreement, and
- Subject to informed consent obtained by the PA (if required).

As a result, a podiatric physician may not delegate to a PA any medical services that are beyond the podiatric physician's own scope of practice.

We look forward to assisting our podiatric physicians and PAs in embarking on new practice relationships. Apply to become a supervising physician at <http://omb.oregon.gov/login>. Questions may be sent to OMB.info@state.or.us. +

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Customer Service Surveys

Some licensees asked for more information on various topics on www.oregon.gov/OMB. *Requests for useful information on the website are always welcome. Based on your comments, we will add more information on emeritus status licensure and other topics.*

"I am a California physician, but I have kept my Oregon license because I have been in love with Oregon for more than 20 years. I continue to harbor a dream of working there, and I hope when the time comes to activate my license, the procedures will be as smooth as they always have been."

"I wonder what would have happened if I didn't call." *Your renewal application was not forgotten. The volume of renewal applications requires OMB staff to prioritize them in the order they were received with payment. You can monitor the status of your application 24 hours a day at <http://omb.oregon.gov/login>. We find that licensees who check their Online Status Report early and often receive licensure faster than average.*

"The OMB and renewal is the most efficient of the licensing boards I have dealt with, ever (40 years of practice). I remember having to appear in person before the Board to test my knowledge of Oregon medical issues and law." *Thank you for your longtime dedication to caring for Oregonians.* +

Annual Licensing Statistics

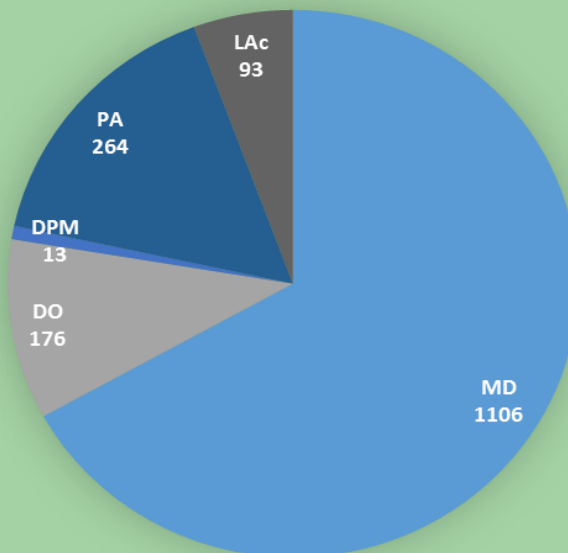
The OMB had 22,869 licensees as of December 31, 2017. Of that number, 20,233 held active* licenses to practice in Oregon. Another 885 individuals held limited licenses of various kinds.

TOTAL NUMBER OF LICENSEES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2017

Status	Doctors of Medicine (MD)	Doctors of Osteopathy (DO)	Podiatric Physicians (DPM)	Physician Assistants (PA)	Acupuncturists (LAc)
Active	15,099	1,428	205	2,017	1,484
Inactive	1,401	110	13	160	67
Limited (all types)	712	161	12	0	0
Total	17,212	1,699	230	2,177	1,551

*Active licenses include: Active, Emeritus, Locum Tenens, Military/Public Health, Telemedicine, Telemonitoring, Teleradiology, Administrative Medicine, and Volunteer Emeritus

1,652
New Licensees in 2017



Licenses by County

The data below reflects current practice addresses reported by licensees who have full licenses at practicing statuses. If a licensee provides practice addresses in more than one county, the licensee will be counted in each county. Therefore, the data does not represent full-time clinical practitioners in each county. *Data as of December 31, 2017.*

County (Seat)	MDs	DOs	DPMs	PAs	LAc	Total	Population
Baker (Baker City)	71	11	1	10	1	94	16,750
Benton (Corvallis)	329	83	5	65	26	508	92,575
Clackamas (Oregon City)	1,139	127	19	156	112	1,553	413,000
Clatsop (Astoria)	127	7	3	13	9	159	38,820
Columbia (St. Helens)	26	6	0	15	7	54	51,345
Coos (Coquille)	159	17	5	22	7	210	63,310
Crook (Prineville)	23	6	0	10	1	40	22,105
Curry (Gold Beach)	42	11	2	7	1	63	22,805
Deschutes (Bend)	645	75	9	159	77	965	182,930
Douglas (Roseburg)	235	44	8	45	6	338	111,180
Gilliam (Condon)	1	0	0	2	0	3	1,995
Grant (Canyon City)	11	2	0	0	2	15	7,415
Harney (Burns)	18	3	0	4	0	25	7,360
Hood River (Hood River)	101	7	3	18	19	148	25,145
Jackson (Medford)	709	77	12	113	57	968	216,900
Jefferson (Madras)	35	3	0	9	1	48	23,190
Josephine (Grants Pass)	173	27	6	37	15	258	85,650
Klamath (Klamath Falls)	148	13	2	24	4	191	67,690
Lake (Lakeview)	13	2	0	3	0	18	8,120
Lane (Eugene)	1,036	86	15	187	79	1,403	370,600
Lincoln (Newport)	78	20	2	29	9	138	47,960
Linn (Albany)	179	45	3	42	9	278	124,010
Malheur (Vale)	133	18	1	34	0	186	31,845
Marion (Salem)	872	84	13	143	45	1,157	339,200
Morrow (Heppner)	6	1	0	6	0	13	11,890
Multnomah (Portland)	4,775	320	46	569	799	6,509	803,000
Polk (Dallas)	67	20	1	18	4	110	81,000
Sherman (Moro)	0	0	0	2	0	2	1,800
Tillamook (Tillamook)	62	3	2	8	4	79	26,175
Umatilla (Pendleton)	180	27	4	29	2	242	80,500
Union (La Grande)	70	12	1	3	4	90	26,900
Wallowa (Enterprise)	18	2	0	2	3	25	7,195
Wasco (The Dalles)	100	8	3	13	7	131	27,100
Washington (Hillsboro)	1,822	105	29	296	151	2,403	595,860
Wheeler (Fossil)	3	0	0	2	0	5	1,480
Yamhill (McMinnville)	197	23	7	29	14	270	106,300

Annual Investigative Statistics

Investigations totals as of December 31, 2017

OMB Staff is continually preparing for and wrapping up Board and Committee meetings. For example, the Investigative Committee met eight times last year, each meeting spanning nine hours, and held one abbreviated meeting. Two contested case hearings were held, after months of preparation. Investigations staff and the state Attorney General's Office prepared for an additional two hearings that settled before the scheduled date. Each quarterly Board meeting requires Board members to read, and staff to compile, over 9,000 pages of material. The following statistical report is a snapshot of the resulting work.

Inquiries Received in 2017



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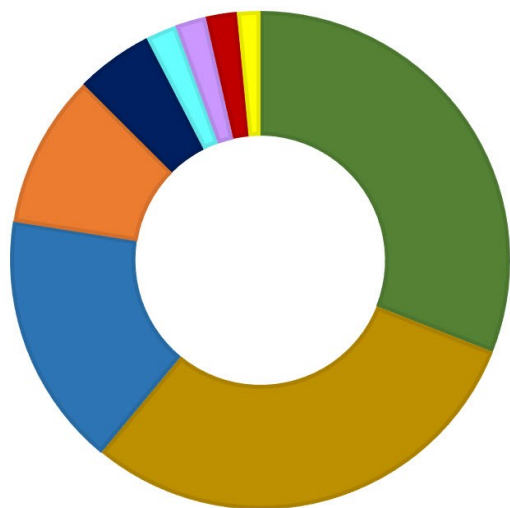


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Categories of Complaints



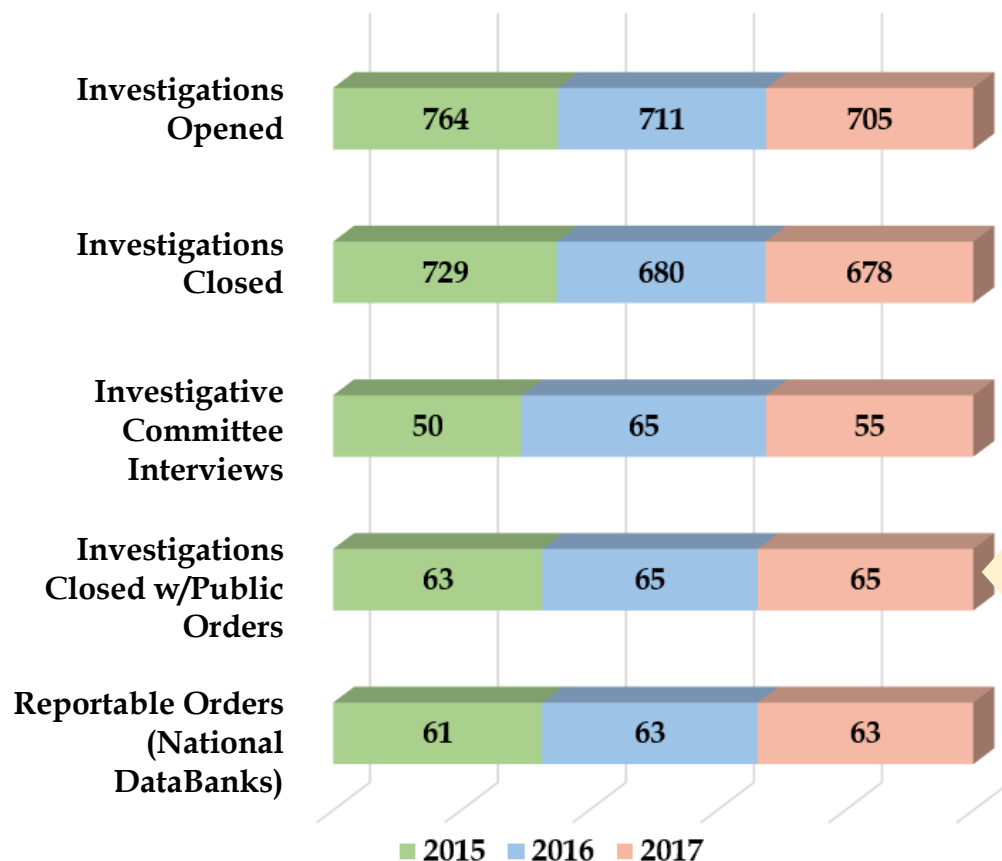
- Unprofessional Conduct — 31%
- Inappropriate Care — 30%
- Other — 16.5%
- Inappropriate Prescribing — 10%
- Malpractice Review — 5%
- Sexual Misconduct — 2%
- Personal Substance Abuse — 2%
- Physical or Mental Illness/Impairment — 1%
- Board Order Non-Compliance — 1.5%

Source of Investigations	2015	2016	2017
Oregon Medical Board	63	56	77
Board or HPSP Non-Compliance	17	38	27
Hospital or Other Health Care Institution	24	26	30
Insurance Company	5	8	3
Malpractice Review	37	37	61
Other	69	72	53
Other Boards	6	7	9
Other Health Care Providers	57	53	63
Patient or Patient Associate	473	396	349
Pharmacy	4	6	4
Self-Reported	21	33	23

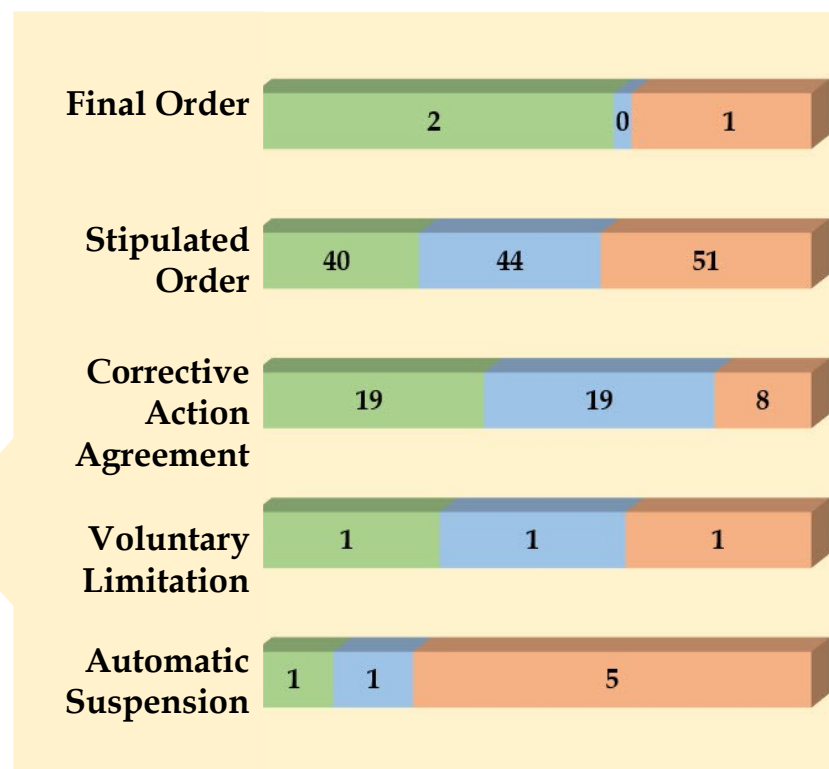
Some investigations result from multiple sources.

Final Dispositions of Investigations

Investigation Totals



Public Orders



Disciplinary sanctions imposed by the Board may include:

- Educational program or coursework
- Requirement for a practice mentor
- Chaperone requirement
- License limitation(s) (*activities restricted*)
- Referral to the Health Professionals' Services Program (HPSP)
- Fines
- Assessment of costs associated with a hearing
- Probation
- Suspension of license
- Denial of license application, renewal or reactivation
- Revocation of license

BOARD ACTIONS

October 7, 2017 to January 5, 2018

Many licensees have similar names. When reviewing Board Action details, please review the record carefully to ensure that it is the intended licensee.

INTERIM STIPULATED ORDERS

*These actions are not disciplinary because they are not final orders, but are reportable to the national data banks.**

DREW, Daniel E., MD; MD152952

Ashland, OR

On December 18, 2017, Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order to voluntarily withdraw from the management of intrathecal pain pumps within 60 days, pending the completion of the Board's investigation into his ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

FONTUS, Snell, MD; MD20286

Eugene, OR

On November 21, 2017, Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order to voluntarily cease acting as the primary surgeon for any surgical procedure effective December 1, 2017, pending the completion of the Board's investigation into his ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

JOYNER, Lisa C., MD; MD21092

Milwaukie, OR

On December 27, 2017, Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order to voluntarily cease the prescribing of buprenorphine/naloxone within 30 days; cease the initiation of chronic pain treatment with opioids; facilitate the transfer of chronic pain patients and patients needing medication assisted treatment; limit prescribing for acute pain; and cease prescribing benzodiazepines with opioids pending the completion of the Board's investigation into her ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

SIDDIKI, Awais A., MD; MD176723

Philomath, OR

On October 10, 2017, Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order to only treat Oregon

patients when both Licensee and patient are physically present together in a clinical setting pending the completion of the Board's investigation into his ability to safely and competently practice medicine.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

*These actions are reportable to the national data banks.**

BLITMAN, Maury N., MD; MD169632

Corvallis, OR

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; gross or repeated acts of negligence; and failure to report within 10 working days any official action taken against the Licensee. This Order reprimands Licensee; assesses a \$5,000 civil penalty; requires the presence of a medically trained chaperone for any breast or pelvic examination of any female patient 16 years of age or older; places Licensee on probation for ten years; requires that Licensee maintain a relationship with a pre-approved healthcare provider; requires Licensee to complete a pre-approved course regarding professionalism and boundaries and develop a practice protocol for maintaining professional boundaries; and requires Licensee to comply with a protection order issued in the state of Washington.

ESTEVEZ, Miguel, MD; MD160337

Eugene, OR

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; impairment; gross or repeated negligence; and violation of any board rule. This Order reprimands Licensee; assesses a \$7,500 civil penalty; requires Board pre-approval of Licensee's practice settings; subjects Licensee's practice to no-notice office visits and chart audits by the Board's designee; requires Licensee to complete a pre-approved course on professionalism; restricts Licensee from dispensing any medications; limits the administration of injections; requires that Licensee maintain a therapeutic relationship with a

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pre-approved physician; and requires ongoing participation in a monitoring program.

**FEINMAN, Jessica A., MD; MD154687
Portland, OR**

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct. With this Order Licensee surrenders her medical license while under investigation.

**MECKLING, Kent F., MD; MD24567
Portland, OR**

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; impairment; and violation of the federal Controlled Substances Act. This Order precludes Licensee from engaging in the practice of anesthesiology; requires Board pre-approval of Licensee's practice settings; and requires career length participation in a monitoring program.

**PRIANO, Guy D., LAc; AC00195
Boring, OR**

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct. With this Order Licensee surrenders his acupuncture license while under investigation.

**RYAN, William M., MD; MD16725
Portland, OR**

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct based on a condition that does or might adversely affect Licensee's ability to safely and skillfully practice medicine. With this Order Licensee places his medical license at Administrative Medicine status effective December 5, 2017, and retires his license while under investigation effective March 1, 2018.

SIDDIKI, Awais A., MD; MD176723

Philomath

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; conduct that violated ORS 677.135 practice of medicine across state lines; gross or repeated negligence; and prescribing controlled substances without a legitimate medical purpose or without following accepted procedures for examination of patients or for record keeping. With this Order Licensee surrenders his medical license while under investigation.

**WENBERG, Kenneth F., MD; MD14131
Heppner, OR**

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board for unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; disciplinary action by another state; and willfully violating any rule adopted by the Board or Board order or failing to comply with a Board request. This Order reprimands Licensee; assesses a \$5,000 civil penalty; places Licensee on probation for five years; requires Licensee to comply with his October 7, 2016, Washington MQAC Order; requires that Licensee notify the Board of any non-compliance events or modifications of his MQAC Order; and subjects Licensee's practice to no-notice chart audits and office visits by the Board's designee.

PRIOR ORDERS AND AGREEMENTS MODIFIED OR TERMINATED

**BOESPFLUG, Randolph R., MD; MD15363
Salem, OR**

On January 4, 2018, the Board issued an Order Modifying Stipulated Order. This Order modifies Licensee's January 8, 2015, Stipulated Order.

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LEE, Patrick Y-H., MD; MD16880
Portland, OR

On January 4, 2018, the Board issued an Order Modifying Stipulated Order. This Order modifies Licensee's October 8, 2015, Stipulated Order.

MURRAY, Scott M., MD; MD15084
Portland, OR

On January 4, 2018, the Board issued an Order Modifying Stipulated Order. This Order modifies Licensee's October 8, 2015, Stipulated Order.

NON-DISCIPLINARY BOARD ACTIONS

October 7, 2017 to January 5, 2018

CORRECTIVE ACTION AGREEMENTS

*These agreements are **not disciplinary** orders and are not reportable to the national data banks* **unless** they relate to the delivery of health care services or contain a negative finding of fact or conclusion of law. They are public agreements with the goal of remediating problems in the Licensees' individual practices.*

BERGSTROM, Christina N., MD; MD160810
Portland, OR

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Corrective Action Agreement with the Board. In this Agreement, Licensee agreed to complete a pre-approved course on medical documentation.

FU, Qiuling, LAc; AC00565
Eugene, OR

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Corrective Action Agreement with the Board. In this Agreement, Licensee agreed to obtain a pre-approved, licensed acupuncturist as a practice consultant who will assess Licensee's practice, provide practice recommendations, and provide written reports to the Board regarding compliance with the recommendations; no-notice office visits; and chart audits by the Board's designee.

GRIFFIN, John W., MD; MD08392
Portland, OR

On January 4, 2018, Licensee entered into a Corrective Action Agreement with the Board. In this Agreement, Licensee agreed to complete courses on prescribing of controlled substances and medical chart documentation and no-notice chart audits by the Board's designee.

CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR RE-ENTRY TO PRACTICE

*These actions are not disciplinary and are not reportable to the national data banks.**

JEWETT, Stiles T., Jr., MD; MD11573
Portland, OR

On December 20, 2017, Licensee entered into a Consent Agreement for Re-Entry to Practice with the Board. In this Agreement, Licensee agreed to practice under the supervision of a pre-approved mentor for one year who will observe eight surgical procedures performed by Licensee, review and co-sign all of Licensee's charts for 60 days, and submit quarterly reports to the Board regarding Licensee's performance in the practice of medicine.

Current and past public Board Orders are available on the OMB website: <http://omb.oregon.gov/boardactions>. +

**National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) and Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB).*

Want to stay updated on the Oregon Medical Board's latest actions? Please join the Subscriber's List. You can sign up by going to <http://omb.oregon.gov/subscribe-actions> and following the link to be e-mailed when a new report is posted.

ATTENTION

Does Your Practice Dispense Medications?

The Oregon Board of Pharmacy has adopted rules for Dispensing Practitioner Drug Outlets. These rules describe the Pharmacy Board's new registration and compliance expectations for provider facilities that dispense FDA-approved human prescriptions greater than a 72 hours supply or any medication refill.

The new rules became effective December 1, 2017. The Pharmacy Board intends this to be a soft launch and will waive the \$100 registration fee until January 1, 2019. To register or to check whether your practice is subject to the new rules, please visit www.oregon.gov/pharmacy/Imports/DPDO.pdf. Board of Pharmacy staff are available to answer your questions at pharmacy.board@state.or.us. OAR 855-043-0505 through 855-043-0560 and 855-110-0007 are available at <https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/displayDivisionRules.action?selectedDivision=3977>.

Avoiding Phishing Scams



When someone impersonates a business or individual you trust in an effort to trick you into doing something, it's called phishing. To avoid phishing attacks, it is a good idea to be cautious of e-mails that are unexpected, create a sense of urgency, request sensitive information, or have generic greetings like "Dear Customer." If you believe an e-mail is a phishing attack, delete the e-mail without clicking on links or opening any attachments in the e-mail. More information on how to avoid phishing attacks can be found at www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0003-phishing.

Update: POLST Rules

The Oregon POLST (Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment) Registry rules have been updated in three areas.

1. An authorized POLST signer may issue a phone order for patient newly enrolled in hospice, thereby eliminating the need for an immediate written signature, which may take days to obtain.
2. The POLST Registry Advisory Committee has been dissolved as required by House Bill 2301 (2017).
3. Naturopathic physicians are now authorized to sign and submit POLST orders as directed by Senate Bill 856 (2017).

The POLST program was conceived in 1991 to ensure that patient wishes for life-sustaining treatments are honored consistently.

More information on the POLST program is available at www.oregonpolst.org. The Oregon Administrative Rules governing the POLST program are OAR 333-270-0010 through 333-270-0080, available at http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/pages/rules/oars_300/oar_333/333_270.html. +

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PHYSICIAN ORDERS FOR LIFE-SUSTAINING TREATMENT

OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Rules proposed and adopted by the Oregon Medical Board.

The Oregon Medical Board and other state agencies operate under a system of administrative rules to ensure fairness and consistency in procedures and decisions. Periodically, these Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs) must be amended in response to evolving standards and circumstances. OARs are written and amended within the agency's statutory authority granted by the Legislature.

Rules go through a First and Final Review before being permanently adopted. Temporary rules are effective after First Review, but they expire in 180 days unless permanently adopted after a Final Review. Official notice of rulemaking is provided in the Secretary of State *Bulletin*. The full text of the OARs under review and the procedure for submitting comments can be found at: <http://omb.oregon.gov/rules>.

PROPOSED RULES

First Review

There were no new proposed rules this quarter.

ADOPTED RULES

Final Review

All Licensees

OAR 847-008-0070: Continuing Medical Competency (Education)

The rule amendment implements HB 3359 (2017), section 34, which requires the Oregon Medical Board to encourage physicians specializing in primary care, geriatrics, or other specialties designated by the Board, to obtain continuing medical education (CME) in the detection and early diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease and in the appropriate prescribing of antipsychotic drugs to

treat patients with Alzheimer's disease. The proposed rule amendment also implements part of SB 48 (2017), section 1, which requires the Oregon Medical Board to document the completion of any CME in suicide risk assessment, treatment, and management and report data to the Oregon Health Authority biennially.

OAR 847-017-0003; 847-017-0005; 847-017-0010; 847-017-0015; 847-017-0020: In-Office Anesthesia

The rule amendments incorporate changes at the direction of the House Health Care Committee, which specifically asked for additional restrictions on in-office anesthesia. Four goals were established through a collaborative process with the Nursing and Dental Boards: (1) require ASA physical status evaluation and documentation; (2) prohibit Level II or III office procedures for patients with ASA IV or above; (3) specify that only licensed or permitted anesthesia providers may administer office anesthesia; and (4) require the facility to have a transfer plan.

OAR 847-050-0005; 847-050-0010: Supervising Physicians to include Podiatric Physicians

The rule amendments authorize podiatric physicians and surgeons to become Board-approved supervising physicians for PAs as required by SB 831 (2017).

Osteopathic Physicians (DO)

OAR 847-008-0000; 847-008-0005; 847-020-0100; 847-020-0120; 847-020-0160; 847-020-0170; 847-020-0200; 847-035-0001; 847-035-0020; 847-050-0038:

Osteopathic Medicine

The rule amendments are conforming amendments as required by HB 3363, which clarifies that doctors of osteopathic medicine practice medicine as physicians and eliminates all references to the inappropriate terms "osteopathy" or "osteopath."

Physician Assistants (PA)

OAR 847-050-0041: Prescribing and Dispensing Privileges

The rule amendment implements SB 423 (2017), which allows physician assistants who are practicing outside of rural or underserved areas and who have dispensing privileges to be able to dispense Schedule III and IV controlled substances.

Acupuncturists (LAc)

OAR 847-070-0016: Qualifications for Licensure

The rule amendment allows the applicant to request a waiver of the requirement to pass the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM) exam within four attempts if the applicant has passed the exam on the fifth attempt and has either obtained a Doctor of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine degree or has experienced extenuating circumstances that do not indicate an inability to safely practice acupuncture as determined by the Board. The waiver will be available to both domestic graduates and international graduates. +

For more information on OARs and the full text of the rules above, visit the Oregon Medical Board website at <http://omb.oregon.gov/rules> or call 971-673-2700.

Get Involved

Members of the public may comment on proposed administrative rules.

Public comments are accepted for **21** days after the notice is published in the Secretary of State *Bulletin*.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

February 16, 9 a.m.

EMS Advisory Committee

March 1, 7:30 a.m.

Investigative Committee

March 7, 5 p.m.

Administrative Affairs Committee

April 5-6, 8 a.m.

Board Meeting

May 3, 7:30 a.m.

Investigative Committee

OFFICE CLOSURES

Presidents' Day

Monday, February 19

Memorial Day

Monday, May 28

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Wednesday, July 4

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