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## Top 10 Improvements to the OMB Licensing Process

Over the past three years, the Oregon Medical Board has worked diligently to increase the efficiency and speed of the licensing process while staying true to its mission of protecting the public. In this delicate balancing act, we have found several ways to improve the way we do business and to ensure public safety.

1. **techMed** – The Board’s new database will become operational in the summer of 2009, allowing an online MD/DO/DPM/PA/AC application, on-line renewal and on-line address change.

2. **Online Status Reports** - This innovation which allows applicants to electronically check the status of their applications and determine which documents are missing and when their file is complete. The Board received the national Administrators in Medicine award for this innovation.

3. **Priority status for rural applicants** – In recognition of the impact on health care workforce shortages, rural applicants are moved to the head of the line for license processing.

4. **Express licensing** - Once an application file is complete, if there is no information requiring follow up, a license will be issued in five business days.

5. **Waivers of Special Purpose Examination (SPEX) requirement delegated to the Executive Director** - Rather than waiting for Board review at a quarterly Board meeting, the Director granted 48 SPEX waivers in 2007 and 65 in 2008.

6. **The Licensing Services Department has been divided into two different sections** - For better flow, Licensing Services is now divided into Production and Call Center divisions. The Production staff processes the applications and the Call Center staff answers phone calls from applicants, licensees, and credentialing and recruitment agencies.

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# FAQs from the OMB

Once a month, four physicians and one public member of the Board meet for a full day to review complaints and investigations. The Investigative Committee, as it is called, makes recommendations to the Full Board. In an effort to clarify certain issues that have come up through the Investigative Committee, the OMB is offering some answers to frequently asked questions.

If you have other questions or issues you would like addressed, please contact the OMB and we would be happy to tackle the question in a future issue of the newsletter. Email us at [omb.info@state.or.us](mailto:omb.info@state.or.us) or call us at (971) 673-2700 or (877) 254-6263.

**Q.** “If I have a DUII, will I automatically lose my medical license?”

**A.** No, but the Board may want to speak with you.

**Q.** “I’m going to move to another state/retire/take a leave or extended vacation. What should I do with my patients?”

- A.** - Notify all active patients in writing at least 30 days before you leave.
- Arrange for their medical records to be available for subsequent practitioners, both now and after you’re gone.
  - Assist your patients in finding a new practitioner. Don’t depend on a casual conversation with a colleague; make formal arrangements for another practitioner to be available to see your patients, if they desire.
  - Inform the OMB of your change in status and address in writing. ♦



## Board Approves CME Requirements

CME requirements required during the 2011 cycle of license renewal.

At its January 2009 meeting, the Oregon Medical Board approved a rule that requires all licensees to take 30 hours of Continuing Medical Education (CME) each year.

OAR 847-008-0070 states that for a licensee to renew his or her license, he or she must demonstrate continued competency through either:

- ongoing participation in re-certification by an American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) board, the American Osteopathic Association's Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists (AOA-BOS), the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA), or the National Certification Commission for Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (NCCAOM); or
- 30 hours of Category 1 continuing medical education (CME) per year relevant to the licensee's current medical practice.

After much discussion, the Board agreed that these standards follow the requirements of all certifying board standards, and therefore would not impose a hardship on licensees.

The Board envisions that this new requirement will further ensure licensee competence, and hopes that licensees will use this opportunity to further their knowledge in their specialty areas.

At its April meeting, the Board will continue the discussion around what documentation will be required to show proof of compliance, and also what consequences will result from non-compliance. ♦

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7. **Use of VeriDoc for confirmation of licensure status in other states** – Electronic transmission of verification of licensure from participating states to and from the Board.
8. **eProfile from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB)** – Electronic transmission of the FCVS (Federation Credentials Verification Service) packet to the Board.
9. **eTranscript** – A service from the FSMB which allows the Board to expediently receive electronic versions of the official national licensing examination grade transcripts (National Boards, USMLE, etc.).
10. **Criminal background checks** – Ensures safety while not delaying licensure. ♦

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## Responsible Opioid Prescribing Book Helps Physicians Reduce Risk of Addiction and Diversion

**R**esponsible Opioid Prescribing: A Physician's Guide offers physicians effective strategies for reducing the risk of addiction, abuse and diversion of opioids that they prescribe for their patients in pain. This concise, 150-page book offers pragmatic steps for risk reduction and improved patient care, including:

- Patient evaluation, including risk assessment
- Treatment plans that incorporate functional goals
- Informed consent and prescribing agreements
- Periodic review and monitoring of patients
- Referral and patient management
- Documentation
- Compliance with state and federal law

Written by pain medicine specialist Scott M. Fishman, M.D., chief of the Division of Pain Medicine at the University of California, Davis, the book translates the Federation of State Medical Boards' (FSMB) consensus model policy on pain management into practical, office-based pain management guidelines. Responsible Opioid Prescribing: A Physicians Guide is available at [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org) for \$12.95.

## Website Provides Free, Accredited CME on Pharmaceutical Marketing Practices

**A** web portal provides health care practitioners with access to free, accredited CME courses about pharmaceutical industry marketing techniques and their effect on prescribing practices. Located at [www.fsmb.org](http://www.fsmb.org), the website is hosted by the Federation of State Medical Boards Foundation.

Funded by a grant from the Attorney General Consumer and Prescriber Education Grant Program, the portal was created as part of a 2004 consumer protection settlement with Warner-Lambert, a division of Pfizer, Inc., resolving allegations of deceptive "off-label" marketing of the drug Neurontin. The national program is designed to educate health care professionals about pharmaceutical industry marketing practices and provide tools for accessing unbiased sources of information about drugs.

Most courses on the portal are available free of charge to licensed medical prescribers and many may be taken for continuing medical education credit. More than 30 educational modules are available on the website and more courses are in development.

As a program grantee, the FSMB Foundation developed and implemented the Online Prescriber Education Network (OPEN) portal. The portal provides practitioners access to CME modules developed by other program grantees as well. ♦

# Board Actions

September 16, 2008 to January 15, 2009

## Disciplinary Orders

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

**BURLESON, David Oliver, MD; MD15077**

**Beaverton, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board in which he agreed to permanently surrender his Oregon medical license. Licensee agreed to never reapply for a license in Oregon or any other jurisdiction of the United States.

**CAESAR, Richard Irwin, MD; MD12921**

**Eugene, Ore.**

The Board issued a Default Final Order on December 4, 2008. This Order revoked Licensee's Oregon medical license.

**CASPERSEN, Leroy Skibsted, MD; MD05863**

**Portland, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on November 6, 2008. In this Order Licensee permanently retired his Oregon medical license while under investigation.

**HALSTEAD, William Elbert, MD: MD23424**

**La Grande, Ore.**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on November 6, 2008. In this Order Licensee agreed to withdraw from the practice of medicine pending the conclusion of the Board's investigation.

**HUEBNER, Mary Freericks, PA; PA00752**  
**Medford, Ore.**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on October 9, 2008. Licensee agreed to withdraw from practice pending the conclusion of the Board's investigation into her competency to practice medicine.

**KABACY, George Elliott, MD; MD07973**

**Lacey, WA**

The Board issued a Default Final Order on October 16, 2008. This Order revoked Licensee's Oregon medical license.

**LEE, Thomas, MD; MD23594**

**Portland, Ore.**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on December 4, 2008. In this Order, the Board terminated Licensee's March 27, 2008 Order of Emergency Suspension and Licensee agreed to limit his medical practice to administrative medicine until the Board concludes its investigation.

**MEHARRY, Leroy Irwin, MD: MD11421**

**Umatilla, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on November 6, 2008. In this Order Licensee agreed to permanently retire his Oregon medical license while under investigation.

**RICHARDS, Jeffrey James, MD; MD24878**

**Portland, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on October 16, 2008. In this Order, Licensee surrendered his license to practice medicine while under investigation.

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Licensee will not self-prescribe, treat and/or prescribe to his family or friends, and will not practice any form of medicine, to include administrative medicine and independent medical examinations.

**SAKS, Seldon Keith, MD; MD15511**

**Tualatin, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order of Emergency Suspension on October 16, 2008. The Board took this action based on its immediate concerns regarding the safety and welfare of Licensee's current and future patients and due to Licensee's failure to comply with his February 7, 2008 Final Order.

**WINTER, Brooke, Candace, LAc; AC00120**

**Portland, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order of Suspension of License on September 25, 2008. This Order suspended Licensee's Oregon acupuncture license per Oregon Revised Statute 677.225(1) (b) which provides that licensee shall be automatically suspended if the licensee is an inmate in a penal institution.

**YEAGER, Dean Alan, MD; MD17697**

**Stayton, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on September 25, 2008. In this Order Licensee agreed to permanently surrender his Oregon medical license and agreed to never reapply for a license in the state of Oregon.

**FERRIN, Willaim Myron, MD; MD17742**

**Clackamas, Ore.**

Licensee entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Board on January 9, 2009. In this Order Licensee agreed to withdraw from the practice of medicine pending the completion of the Board's investigation into his competency to practice medicine.

**PAIKEN, Lori Ann, LAc; AC00133**

**Ashland, Ore.**

The Board issued a Default Final Order on January 8, 2009. This Order revoked Licensee's Oregon acupuncture license.

## **Voluntary Limitations**

*Voluntary Limitations are not disciplinary actions, but are reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).*

**AHMAD, Aftab, MD; MD08966**

**Portland, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Voluntary Limitation with the Board on October 16, 2008. In this Order Licensee agreed that he will not perform any surgical procedure as primary surgeon, but may serve as a surgical assistant for general, cardiac and thoracic surgery cases.

## **Corrective Action Orders**

*Corrective Action Orders are not disciplinary actions, but are public orders issued with the goal of remediating problems in licensees' individual practices. They are not reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB).*

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### **AMPARO, Evelina Gotardo, MD; MD11723**

#### **Roseburg, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Corrective Action Order with the Board on October 10, 2008. In this Order, Licensee agreed to be under the care and treatment of a physician pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director.

### **SNIDER, Robert William, MD; MD24904**

#### **Wilsonville, Ore.**

Licensee entered into a Corrective Action Order with the Board on January 8, 2009. In this Order Licensee agreed to successfully complete a pain and prescribing course pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director; Licensee agreed not to prescribe or provide care for himself or any family member or significant other; Licensee will establish a patient/provider relationship with a health care provider approved by the Board's Medical Director.

## Prior Orders Modified or Terminated

### **ACKROYD, Alan Wile, MD; MD21742**

#### **Medford, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Order on October 16, 2008. This Order terminated Licensee's November 11, 2007 Corrective Action Order.

### **DARM, Jerrold Roy, MD; MD10790**

#### **Tigard, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Stipulated Order on January 8, 2009. This Order terminated Licensee's October 18, 2001 Stipulated Order.

### **EKHOLM, Roberta Ashley, DO; DO12667**

#### **Vallejo, CA**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Stipulated Orders on January 8, 2009. This Order terminated Licensee's December 4, 2003 and July 12, 2007 Stipulated Orders.

### **FREEMAN, Dale Owens, AC; AC00213**

#### **Sheridan, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Modifying Stipulated Order on October 16, 2008. This Order holds Term 5.2 of Licensee's August 2, 2007 Stipulated Order in abeyance until such time Licensee resumes the practice of acupuncture under the terms set forth in the Stipulated Order.

### **BILDER, Paul Andre, MD; MD10160**

#### **Cottage Grove, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Stipulated Order on October 16, 2008. This Order terminates Licensee's April 17, 2003 Stipulated Order.

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### **MEAD, Richard Joseph, MD; MD11683**

#### **Salem, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Stipulated Order on October 16, 2008. This Order terminates Licensee's January 15, 2004 Stipulated Order.

### **PLUEDEMAN, Carin Kay, MD; MD18885**

#### **Tigard, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Stipulated Order on October 16, 2008. This Order terminates Licensee's January 12, 2006 Stipulated Order.

### **RIPPLINGER, Joseph John, AC; AC00626**

#### **Portland, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Modifying Stipulated Order on October 16, 2008. In this order, Term 5.7 has been modified as follows: Licensee shall not provide acupuncture or any other medical treatment to any female without the presence of a medically trained chaperone. The chaperone must be physically present during the entire clinical interaction and must concurrently chart their presence in the patient chart. The chaperone must not be a friend, spouse, or family member of the patient or Licensee. Licensee understands that Board staff may make unannounced visits to ensure compliance with this term.

### **SAKS, Seldon Keith, MD; MD15511**

#### **Tualatin, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Order of Emergency Suspension on January 8, 2009. This Order terminated Licensee's October 16, 2008 Order of Emergency Suspension. Licensee's February 7, 2008 Final Order remains in full force and effect.

### **SCHALAU, Daphne Behrens, MD; MD20198**

#### **Roseburg, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Order on January 8, 2009. This Order terminated Licensee's October 13, 2006 Corrective Action Order.

### **TABOR, Gareth Aubrey, MD; MD15143**

#### **Lake Oswego, Ore.**

The Board issued an Order Terminating Stipulated Order on October 16, 2008. This Order terminates Licensee's December 5, 2002 Stipulated Order.

### **WEAKLEY, Ross Edward, AC; AC01007**

#### **Prineville, Ore.**

- The Board issued an Order Terminating Corrective Action Order on November 6, 2008. This Order terminated Licensee's October 24, 2008 Corrective Action Order.
- Licensee entered into a Corrective Action Order with the Board on October 24, 2008. In this Order, Licensee agreed to have a practice mentor under the conditions specified in Licensee's Acupuncture Mentorship Outline. This is not a disciplinary action.

*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). ♦*



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# Oregon Administrative Rules

Rules proposed and adopted by the Oregon Medical Board.

## 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.

## Proposed Rules

### *First Review*

The Board discussed these rule proposals on First Review, and passed them to Final Review. This section includes Proposed Rules from the October 2008 and January 2009 meetings, and may seem repetitive.

### All Licensees

#### **OAR 847-001-0030, Approval of Interim**

**Stipulated Orders** — The proposed rule change grants the Board's Medical Director authority to approve an Interim Stipulated Order signed by a licensee of the Board. *1/09 meeting*

#### **OAR 847-008-060, Notification of Change of**

**Location** — The proposed rule change requires the licensee to notify the Board of a change in residence, practice or mailing address within 30 days of the change. *1/09 meeting*

#### **OAR 847-065-0000, Health Professionals**

**Program Supervisory Council** — The proposed rule amendment changes the name of the Diversion Program Supervisory Council to the Health Professionals Program Supervisory Council and increases the size of the council from five to seven members. *1/09 meeting*

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

#### **OAR 847-005-0005, Fees; OAR 847-010-0054, Limited License, Institutional Practice or**

**Public Health; OAR 847-010-0055, Limited License, Institutional Practice, Public Health, Postgraduate** — The proposed rule change deletes two limited licenses that are no longer being issued, the Limited License, Institutional Practice, and the Limited License, Public Health. *10/08 meeting*

#### **OAR 847-008-0020, Locum Tenens Registration;**

#### **OAR 847-008-0040, Process of Registration;**

#### **OAR 847-008-0070, Continuing Medical**

**Competency** — The proposed rule change increases from 180 to 240 the number of days a licensee with Locum Tenens status may practice in Oregon per biennium. The proposed rule also allows the Board to renew a licensee at Inactive status if the licensee has been out of practice for more than 12 consecutive months or if there are concerns regarding the licensee's medical competency or fitness to practice. The Board is also drafting a rule on continuing medical education to be obtained by Board licensees during the year or biennium and the CME would be required to renew their license. *10/08 meeting*

#### **OAR 847-010-0073, Reporting Incompetent or Impaired Licensees to the Board; OAR 847-010-0100, Mandatory Pain Management Education**

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— The proposed rule change expands the definition of Unprofessional Conduct, and also expands the list of behaviors that constitute Sexual Misconduct. Proposed rule also makes clear that licensees with a limited license or a Telemonitoring license are not required to obtain the 6 hours of CME on pain management and/or the treatment of terminally ill and dying patients, nor the 1 (one) hour pain management course specific to Oregon provided by the Department of Human Service’s Pain Commission. Proposed amendment also specifies that licensees who reactivate must complete required pain management CME within 12 months of reactivation. *10/08 meeting*

### **OAR 847-020-0130, Basic Requirements for Licensure of a Foreign Medical School Graduate**

— The proposed rule change specifies the resources used by the Board to determine if a foreign medical school meets the requirements of the Board. *10/08 meeting*

### **Acupuncturist (LAc)**

**OAR 847-070-0019, Interview and Examination; OAR 847-070-0020, Regulation of Activities of Acupuncturists** — The proposed rule amendments increase the allowable amount of time out of practice after which the Board may require the applicant/licensee to demonstrate current clinical competency, and establishes a minimum of a 20-hour mentorship as one possible requirement to demonstrate current competency. Proposed amendment also clarifies that an acupuncturist who has completed a doctoral degree in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine may identify him/herself

as a “doctor of acupuncture and oriental medicine.” *10/08 meeting*

**OAR 847-070-0016, Qualifications** — The proposed rule change specifies that applicants who graduated from non-accredited acupuncture programs prior to 1989 are not required to have obtained the Accreditation for Acupuncture and Oriental medicine (ACAOM) western medicine requirements for licensure. *1/09 meeting*

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

**OAR 847-035-0030, Scope of Practice** — The proposed rule change allows EMT-Ps to access indwelling catheters and implanted central IV ports for fluid and medical administration; adds language that EMT-Ps may administer any medication or blood product after adequate and appropriate instruction, including risks, benefits and use of the medication; and allows EMT-Ps to initiate and interpret ECG monitoring. *1/09 meeting*

## Adopted Rules

*Final Review*

### **All Licensees**

**OAR 847-065-0000** — The adopted rule change establishes term limit for membership on Diversion Program Supervisory Council. *10/08 meeting*

**OAR 847-001-0030, Approval of Interim Stipulated Orders** — The adopted rule change grants authority to Board’s Executive Director to approve Interim Stipulated Orders (limitation

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on license), so that Orders may become public information and be released to hospitals and health care facilities, in the interest of protecting the public.

*10/08 meeting*

**OAR 847-010-0052, Limited License, Visiting Professor; OAR 847-010-0063, Limited License, Medical Faculty; OAR 847-020-0140, Limited License, Medical Faculty Qualifications** — The adopted rule change requires the years of practice under multiple Limited Licenses, Medical Faculty to be consecutive. The proposed rule change also consolidates rule language to reduce redundancy.

*10/08 meeting*

**OAR 847-025-0000, Preamble** — The adopted rule change removes the requirement to examine the patient in person prior to practicing medicine across state lines. *10/08 meeting*

**OAR 847-005-0005, Fees; OAR 847-010-0054, Limited License, Institutional Practice or Public Health; OAR 847-010-0055, Limited License, Institutional Practice, Public Health, Postgraduate** — The adopted rule change deletes two limited licenses that are no longer being issued, the Limited License, Institutional Practice, and the Limited License, Public Health. *1/09 meeting*

**OAR 847-008-0020, Locum Tenens Registration; OAR 847-008-0040, Process of Registration; OAR 847-008-0070, Continuing Medical Competency** — The adopted rule change increases from 180 to 240 the number of days a licensee with Locum Tenens status may practice in Oregon per biennium. The proposed rule also allows the Board to renew a licensee at Inactive status if the

licensee has been out of practice for more than 12 consecutive months or if there are concerns regarding the licensee's medical competency or fitness to practice. The Board is also adopting a rule on continuing medical education to be obtained by Board licensees during the year or biennium and the CME would be required to renew their license.

*1/09 meeting*

**OAR 847-010-0100, Mandatory Pain Management Education** — The adopted rule specifies that licensees who reactivate must complete required pain management-end of life CME within 12 months of reactivation. *1/09 meeting*

## Physicians (MD/DO)

**OAR 847-020-0130, Basic Requirements for Licensure of a Foreign Medical School Graduate**— The adopted rule change specifies the resources used by the Board to determine if a foreign medical school meets the requirements of the Board. *1/09 meeting*

## Physician Assistant (PA)

**OAR 847-050-0042, Registration; OAR 847-050-0043, Inactive Registration, and Reactivation from Inactive to Active; OAR 847-050-0063, Physician Assistant Committee** — The adopted rule change ensures license renewal and reactivation requirements for physician assistants are consistent with those of other licensees of the Board. Rule amendments also bring rule language into adequate and appropriate instruction, including risks, benefits and use of the medication; and allows EMT-Ps to initiate and interpret ECG monitoring. *10/08 meeting.*

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## Website Offers Resources for Physicians Seeking to Re-enter Practice

A newly expanded website offers resources for physicians seeking to re-enter the workforce after an extended absence.

Located at [www.aap.org/reentry](http://www.aap.org/reentry), the website is part of the Physician Re-entry into the Workforce Project, a national collaborative endeavor to examine the diverse issues encompassed under the rubric of “re-entry.” The website was recently enhanced to include resources for individual physicians seeking re-entry information, as well as updates about the ongoing work of the Re-entry Project.

Articles available on the site include:

- Organized medicine tackles physician reentry issues
- Re-entry Problems: Returning to practice after a break not easy
- Re-entry Reading List ♦

### 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, 971-673-2700, or print the form from [www.oregon.gov/OMB/forms.shtml](http://www.oregon.gov/OMB/forms.shtml)

## 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.



# Annual Licensing Statistics

## As of December 31, 2008

Doctors of Medicine (MD)	2006	2007	2008
Active	9691	9915	10,211
Inactive	1693	2012	1762
Emeritus	508	574	471
Emeritus Inactive	75	98	2
Locum Tenens	281	347	390
Limited (all types)	621	669	661
Visiting Physician	9	11	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,878</b>	<b>13,626</b>	<b>13,509</b>
Doctors of Osteopathy (DO)	2006	2007	2008
Active	572	605	634
Inactive	112	128	122
Emeritus	14	14	9
Emeritus Inactive	4	4	0
Locum Tenens	24	26	26
Limited (all types)	31	36	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>832</b>
Podiatric Physicians (DPM)	2006	2007	2008
Active	145	146	152
Inactive	21	27	19
Emeritus	1	1	0
Emeritus Inactive	0	0	0
Locum Tenens	0	0	2
Limited (all types)	9	9	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>182</b>
Acupuncturists (LAc)	2006	2007	2008
Active	764	862	891
Inactive	49	65	57
Locum Tenens	5	7	9
Limited (all types)	2	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>958</b>
Physician Assistants (PA)	2006	2007	2008
Active	653	745	826
Inactive	83	113	75
Locum Tenens	0	2	2
Limited (all types)	9	5	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>903</b>
<b>Total of All Licenses</b>	<b>15,376</b>	<b>16,422</b>	<b>16,384</b>

# Annual Investigative Statistics

## As of December 31, 2008

Complaints Received	2006	2007	2008
Phone Calls (total)	2138	2544	2260
E-Mail Inquiries (total)	57	169	149
Written Complaints (total)	519	571	561

Open and Closed Investigations	2006	2007	2008
Investigations Opened	384	321	327
Average Number of Investigations Open	236	216	226
Investigations Closed	401	300	319

Investigative Committee Interviews Held	2006	2007	2008
	71	63	74

Contested Case Hearings Held	2006	2007	2008
	2	7	1

Source of Complaints	2006	2007	2008
Oregon Medical Board	46	47	58
Compliance	0	1	0
Hospital or Other Health Care Institution	22	15	20
Insurance Company	17	11	4
Malpractice Review	49	45	29
Other	31	25	28
Other Boards	1	6	3
Other Health Care Providers	44	35	26
Patient or Patient Associate	190	148	129
Pharmacy	6	7	8
Self-reported	6	4	5

Categories of Complaints	2006	2007	2008
Failure to Comply with Board Order	3	5	8
Inappropriate Care/Incompetence	266	209	174
Inappropriate Prescribing	62	51	45
Mental Illness/Impaired License	17	17	13
Other/Miscellaneous	21	7	32
Sexual Misconduct	7	21	11
Substance Abuse, Personal	4	12	21
Unprofessional Conduct	174	159	140
Violation of Probation	2	2	3
Violation of State or Federal Statutes	41	28	36

# Oregon Medical Board Licensing Statistics by Oregon County

All Licensees (Active Only) as of December 31, 2008

County (Seat)	MDs	DOs	DPMs	PA's	Acup's	TOTALS
BAKER (Baker City)	24	3	1	6	1	35
Benton (Corvallis)	215	19	4	30	19	287
Clackamas (Oregon City)	771	66	12	40	49	938
Clatsop (Astoria)	65	5	2	3	7	82
Columbia (St. Helens)	16	2	0	6	1	25
Coos (Coquille)	134	6	3	9	6	158
Crook (Prineville)	14	2	0	4	3	23
Curry (Gold Beach)	22	4	1	2	0	29
Deschutes (Bend)	416	25	7	82	47	577
Douglas (Roseburg)	181	32	3	24	4	244
Gilliam (Condon)	0	0	0	2	0	2
Grant (Canyon City)	5	1	0	1	2	9
Harney (Burns)	7	0	0	0	0	7
Hood River (Hood River)	66	3	2	9	9	89
Jackson (Medford)	506	49	9	47	40	651
Jefferson (Madras)	18	1	2	1	1	23
Josephine (Grants Pass)	127	15	5	13	13	173
Klamath (Klamath Falls)	129	12	2	10	3	156
Lake (Lakeview)	7	1	0	0	0	8
Lane (Eugene)	824	30	8	68	50	980
Lincoln (Newport)	58	11	2	13	11	93
Linn (Albany)	131	5	1	8	5	150
Malheur (Vale)	55	9	4	18	0	86
Marion (Salem)	626	30	10	58	23	747
Morrow (Heppner)	5	1	0	4	0	10
Multnomah (Portland)	4172	202	36	228	500	5138
Polk (Dallas)	35	11	2	11	2	61
Sherman (Moro)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Tillamook (Tillamook)	30	1	0	4	1	36
Umatilla (Pendleton)	91	16	4	8	0	119
Union (LaGrande)	56	1	1	0	2	60
Wallowa (Enterprise)	10	0	0	0	2	12
Wasco (The Dalles)	65	6	0	7	3	81
Washington (Hillsboro)	1098	51	20	97	79	1345
Wheeler (Fossil)	0	0	0	1	0	1
Yamhill (McMinnville)	166	6	5	9	8	194
None/Not Applicable	741	50	7	17	29	844
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>10,422</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>920</b>	<b>11,563</b>

## CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

### March

4 - Wednesday  
**Liaison Committee**  
6 p.m.

5 - Thursday  
**Investigative Committee**  
8 a.m.

5 - Thursday  
**Medical Board**  
(conference call)  
4 p.m.

10 - Tuesday  
**HPP Supervisory Council**  
9 a.m.

*S.W. Hampton St., Suite 130,  
Tigard, (503) 620-9117*

11 - Wednesday  
**Legislative Advisory  
Committee**  
4 p.m.

11 - Wednesday  
**Administrative Affairs  
Committee**  
5 p.m.

12 - Thursday  
**Physician Assistant  
Advisory Committee**  
9:30 a.m.

### April

9 & 10 - Thursday and Friday  
**Medical Board**  
8 a.m.

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offices in Portland, unless  
otherwise indicated. Meeting  
schedules are subject to change.  
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