RULES SUSPENSION EFFECTIVE UNTIL MARCH 2023 FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

UPDATED June 1, 2022

- Completed Renewal Applications remain due on the 1st of an LMT's birth month.
- Late fees will be waived until JULY 1, 2022 allowing Licensees additional time to renew their license without a penalty.

Please note: the suspension of the late fees required by OAR 334-010-0015 <u>will expire on JUNE</u> <u>30, 2022</u>. At this time, the late fee will be reinstated and LMTs due to renew will be assessed late fees if a completed renewal is not received by the 1st day of an LMT's renewal month

- LMTs who do not complete the renewal application by the last day of their birth month will lapse. This rule has not been suspended or waived.
- The number of required CE hours is reduced from 25 hours to 12 hours for completed renewal applications received in the Board office between JUNE 30, 2021, to MARCH 31, 2023, only. ORS 687.051 (5) requires renewal applicants to complete a minimum of 12 CE hours. The Board is unable to waive or suspend statutory requirements, and unable to reduce the minimum hours to less than the 12 hours required by statute.

Please note: Renewal Applications submitted after MARCH 31, 2023, or incomplete renewal applications submitted prior to MARCH 31, 2023 and not completed by that MARCH 31, 2023 must complete the 25 CE hours, including a minimum of 8 supervised hours, as required by OAR 334-010-0015.

- The requirement of "supervised" or "in-person" hours is waived until **MARCH 31, 2023**. The 12 required CE hours may be supervised, unsupervised, or both.
- The one hour Cultural Competency CE is a statutory requirement under ORS 413.450 and must be completed. The Cultural Competency may be completed as either an "unsupervised" or a "supervised" CE course, and may be applied towards the 12 required CE hours.
- The Pain Management Module, provided by the <u>Oregon Pain Management Commission</u> (<u>OPMC</u>), available on the Board's website, remains a requirement and must be completed at least once by all LMTs. An LMT who has completed the Pain Management Module during a past renewal does not need to complete it again, but may repeat the module for additional CE credit if desired. The Pain Management Module may be counted as 2 unsupervised hours towards the 12 CE hour requirement.
- Current Basic Life Support certification at the time of renewal remains a requirement. The BLS course can be "in-person" or completed online, and the hours spent obtaining BLS Certification may be counted towards the 12 required CE hours.
- The 4 hour Ethics, Boundaries, and Communication requirement is suspended for completed renewal applications received between **March 24, 2020, and MARCH 31, 2023**. Renewal

- applications received <u>during this time period</u> do not have to include four hours of Ethics, Boundaries, or Communication.
- Renewal Applications submitted *after MARCH 31, 2023, including incomplete renewal applications* submitted prior to **MARCH 31, 2023**, must complete the 25 CE hours required by OAR 334-010-0050, including a minimum of 8 supervised hours. These required eight (8) supervised hours must include at least four (4) hours in the topic(s) of Professional Ethics, Boundaries, and / or Communications. These four hours can be in any one of the required topics or a combination of any of the three professional areas required by rule.