



OREGON MEDICAL BOARD
OVERVIEW
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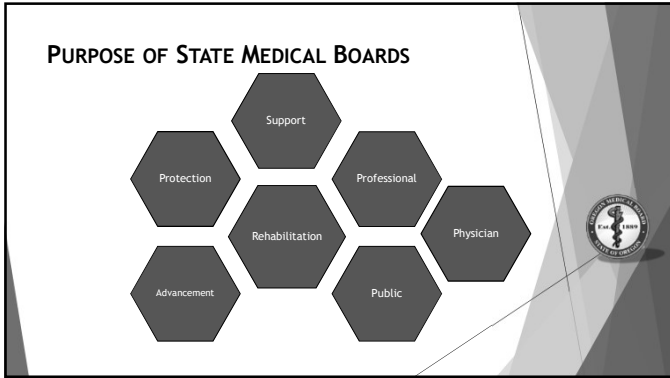
GOALS FOR TODAY

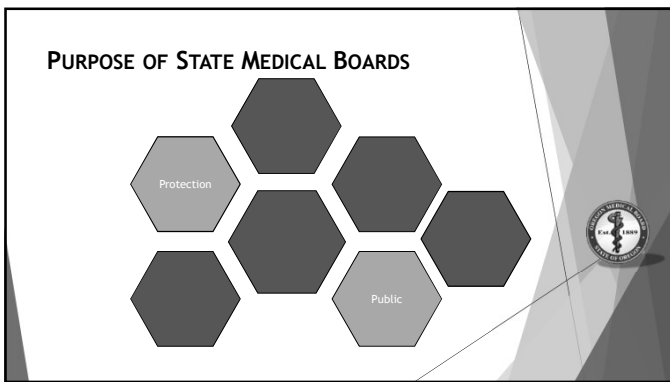
- Understand the Board's Purpose
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 - Mission
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 - Licensing
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 - Professionalism
 - Quality Care
 - Resources



THE BOARD'S PURPOSE
PURPOSE, MISSION, MEMBERS

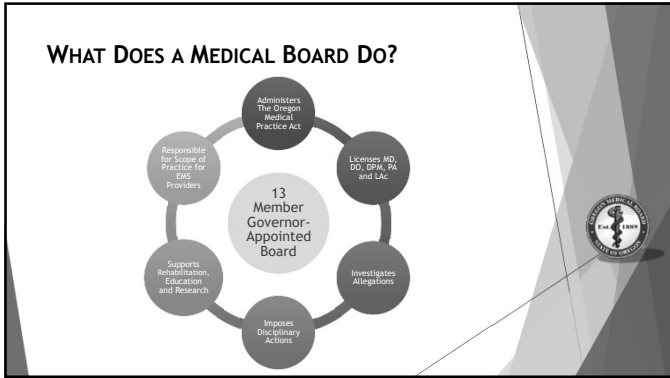






MISSION STATEMENT

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



2018 OREGON MEDICAL BOARD



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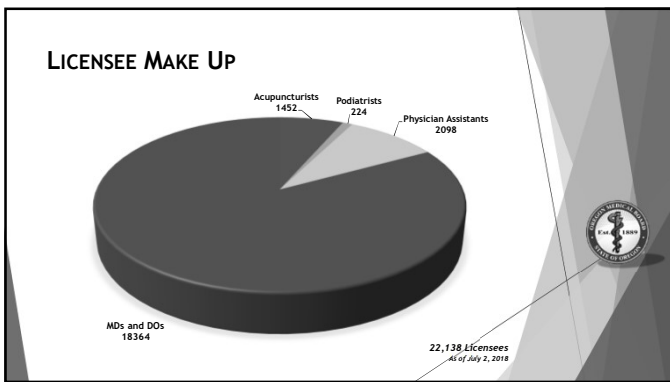
THE BOARD'S ROLE

LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE



THE LICENSING PROCESS IS THE FIRST STEP IN PROMOTING QUALITY CARE

'...regulating the practice of medicine in a manner that promotes access to quality care'






RENEWING A LICENSE





THE BOARD'S ROLE

REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE





MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT

- ▶ Defines "Practice of Medicine"
- ▶ Creates the State Medical Board
- ▶ Sets Standards and Qualifications for Licensure
- ▶ Defines "Unprofessional Conduct"
- ▶ Establishes how Disciplinary Action is Taken



PA PROFESSION



PHYSICIAN RESPONSIBILITIES

- ▶ Supervision Levels
 - “General Supervision” - supervising physician is not on-site with the PA, but is available for synchronous communication
 - “Direct Supervision” - supervising physician must be in the facility when the PA is practicing
 - “Personal Supervision” - supervising physician must be at the side of the PA at all times, personally directing the action of the PA
- ▶ Minimum 8 hours of on-site supervision monthly (may be waived)
- ▶ Regular and routine chart review



8 HOURS ON-SITE SUPERVISION

- ▶ NEW! Waiver Criteria:
 - PA and physician are both in good standing with the OMB
 - Maintain NCCPA certification
 - PA has been in continuous medical practice for at least 2 years immediately preceding the request
 - PA has been in practice with this supervising physician, SPO, or at this medical practice for at least 6 months
- ▶ If criteria are met, staff may approve the PA and physician to meet monthly via synchronous technology
- ▶ If criteria are not met, staff will forward the request to the Board for additional consideration



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**Agents are not available for Supervising Physician Organizations*



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SUPERVISING PHYSICIANS ORGANIZATIONS (SPO)

- ▶ A group of supervising physicians who collectively supervises a PA
- ▶ The SPO must maintain a list of supervising physicians within the SPO and notify the Board of any changes
- ▶ Any member of the SPO may supervise the PA
- ▶ All supervising physicians must be Board-approved



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SUBMIT/MODIFY/TERMINATE A PRACTICE AGREEMENT

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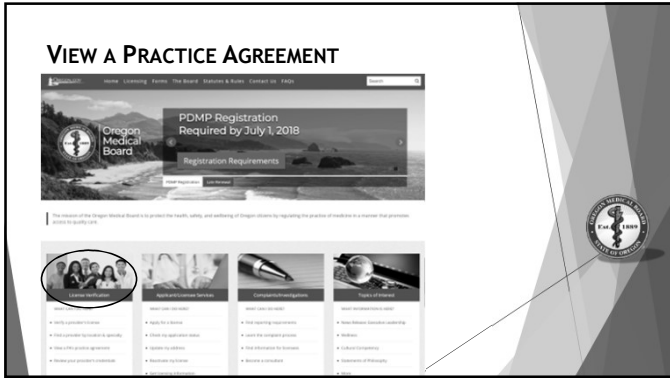
DELEGATED DUTIES

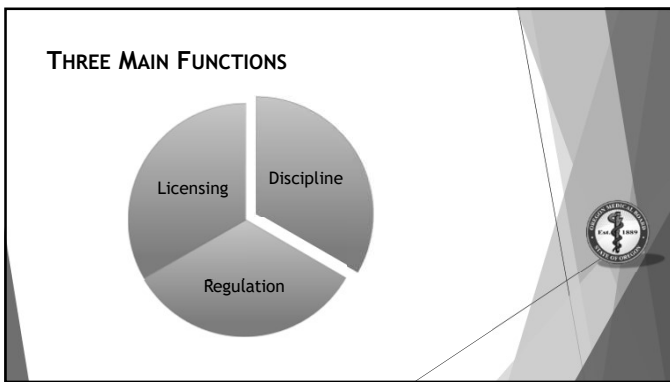
- ▶ Medical duties may be delegated by the supervising physician:
 - Services must be generally described in the practice agreement
 - Services must be within the scope of practice and the competency of the supervising physician
 - Services must be within the scope of practice and the competency of the PA
 - Services must be provided under appropriate supervision
 - PA must obtain informed consent, if required

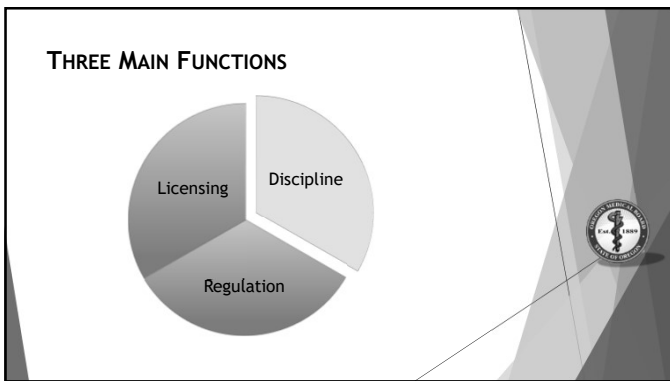
PRESCRIBING AUTHORITY

- ▶ A PA's prescriptions must include the supervising physician's name, address, and phone number
- ▶ Signature must include "P.A."
- ▶ PA's DEA number must be included for controlled substances
- ▶ Prescribing authority must be delegated in the practice agreement

Note: Schedule II prescribing must be approved by the Board. The PA must maintain certification with NCCPA.








THE BOARD'S ROLE

INVESTIGATIONS AND DISCIPLINE



ENFORCEMENT IS THE SECOND STEP IN PROMOTING QUALITY CARE

Protect the public 'from the practice of medicine by unauthorized or unqualified persons and from unprofessional conduct' by licensees




Access




CATEGORIES OF INVESTIGATIONS

► Investigations Conducted in 2017



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%




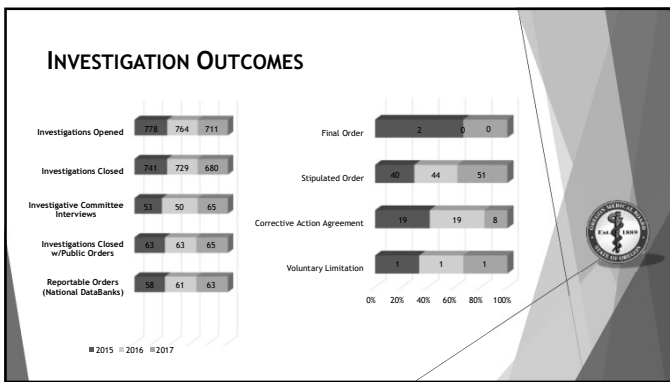
COMMON ISSUES

- ▶ Over Prescribing Pain Medication
- ▶ Alcohol or Substance Abuse
- ▶ Sexual Misconduct
- ▶ Inappropriate Care/Incompetent Care
- ▶ Unprofessional Conduct

Very Often Caused By...


- Poor Communication
- Disruptive Behaviors
- Not Setting/Recognizing Boundaries





THE BOARD'S EXPECTATIONS

PROFESSIONALISM, QUALITY CARE, RESOURCES



PROACTIVE PRACTICES



Learn & Practice Strong Communication Skills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients • Colleagues • Staff 	Stay Current <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medicine Changes • New Standards 	Abide By Community Standards
Maintain Professional Boundaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know Them ... • Respect Them! 	Don't Become Isolated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Isolation = Vulnerability 	"You Are Human!" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Get Help When Needed



KEEPING THE PROFESSION STRONG

► The Board must know if a Licensee is, or may be in violation of Board rules, state law or professional and ethical standards, including:


- Medically incompetent
- Unprofessional or dishonorable conduct (e.g. boundary violations)
- Impaired and thus unable to safely practice medicine

HEALTH PROFESSIONALS' SERVICES PROGRAM (HPSP)


► Confidential monitoring program for Medical, Dental, Pharmacy and Nursing licensees with a substance abuse disorder, mental health disorder, or both

- Separate from Licensing Boards
- **Board Referral:** monitoring through a Board agreement
- **Self-Referral:** confidential enrollment if licensee remains in compliance



PHYSICIAN SUPPORT & OREGON WELLNESS PROGRAM FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

- ▶ Healthy Providers = Healthy Patients
- ▶ The Emotional and Physical Health of Providers has a Direct Effect on the Broader Public



STATEMENTS OF PHILOSOPHY

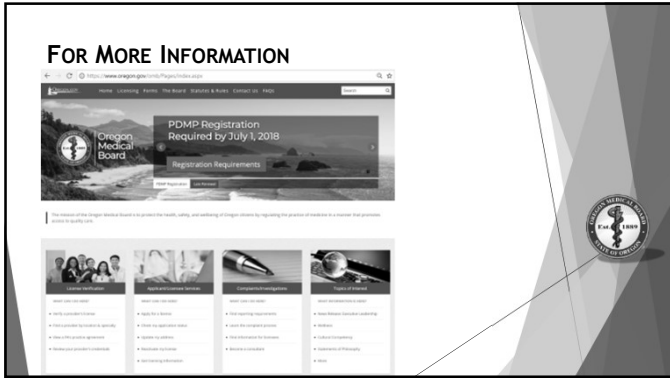
- ▶ Statements of Philosophy are adopted by the Board to express its philosophy and intentions regarding the practice of medicine in the state of Oregon
- ▶ Currently the Board has adopted 22 Statements of Philosophy:

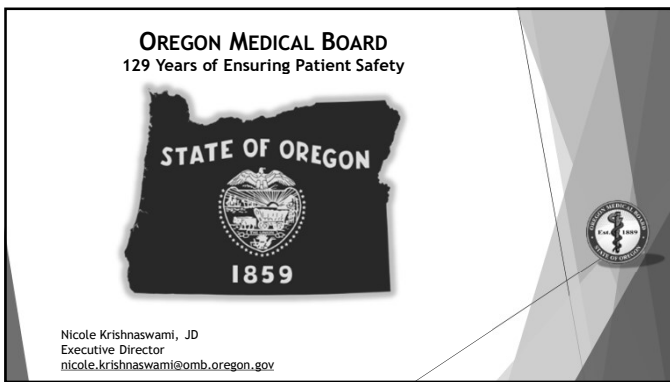
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Equalized Patient Therapy for Secondary/ Tertiary Disease	Licenses with Mental Illness	Medical use of Lasers	Minimally Invasive and Injection Techniques	Pain Management	Physician Patient Relationship	Professionalism	Re-Entry to Clinical Practice
Responsibilities of Medical Director of Medical Staff	Scope of Practice	Sexual Harassment	Social Media	Telemedicine	Use of Unlicensed Healthcare Personnel		

OMB RESOURCES

- ▶ Topics of Interest webpages
- ▶ Additional information on OMB programs

Alzheimer's	Continuing Education	Cultural Competency	Electronic Health Records	Medical Marijuana	Office-Based Surgery Regulations
Pain Management	Patient Records	POLST	PDMP	Reporting Requirements	Rural Health
Telemedicine	SERV-OR	Wellness	Newsletters	Licensee Statistics	How to File a Complaint





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