



License Renewal Reminder

The renewal deadline is fast approaching for licensees whose last names begin with E, F and G. Those professionals must renew on or before January 1, 2017. You are encouraged to begin the renewal process immediately as there will be several holidays when the Medical Board office is closed leading up to that deadline.

- MDs, DOs and DPMs: [click here to begin the renewal process](#)
 - Internet Explorer and Safari are the preferred web browsers
- MTs and CTs: [click here to begin the renewal process](#)
 - Google Chrome is the preferred web browser

(Reminder: no wallet card will be mailed to you. You are able to print proof of licensure by going to the [Public License Lookup](#) page.)

Supervision Agreement Renewal Deadline
NEW DATE

Because of the migration of computer systems at the State Medical Board of Ohio, the upcoming renewal deadline for Physician Assistant Supervision Agreements will be pushed out until next winter. Rather than asking for paper applications before January and then asking for resubmission of the information electronically in eLicense, the Board is working to create an extension date. This is a change that must be made in Ohio statute and we are currently working with legislators to confirm a new date. The Board will keep licensees informed as the information and process is finalized. **If your supervision agreement is set to expire January 31, 2017, you do NOT need to renew it at this time.**

Cosmetic Therapy Licensure Exam Hands-on Practical Segment
DISCONTINUED

The Medical Board voted to eliminate Part C of the Cosmetic Therapy licensure examination which is the hands-on practical segment. Since cosmetic therapy students must successfully demonstrate hands-on practice in order to graduate, it was deemed by the Board that Part C of



the exam was no longer necessary. This change is effective immediately, so the December 2, 2016 exam will be the first one to NOT feature the Part C hands-on practical segment. The Medical Board will continue to administer Parts A and B of the Cosmetic Therapy licensure exam. The exam will be administered in the Board's offices in Columbus on dates determined by the Board.

OARRS Compliance Update

The State Medical Board of Ohio will continue to notify licensees who fail to check OARRS before prescribing an opioid or benzodiazepine as we receive monthly data reports from the Board of Pharmacy.

Within the first few weeks of this effort to improve prescribing practices in Ohio, there have already been outstanding results:

- 204 DEA numbers have been added to OARRS accounts
- A total of 1,814 accounts have been created
- 254 new APRN accounts have been created
- 574 new DO/MD/DDS accounts have been created
- 49 new PA accounts have been created
- 937 new Prescriber Delegate accounts have been created
- The number of OARRS requests have **increased by 12,768 requests per weekday** (from 83,544 per weekday to 96,312)

Month-to-month improvement has also been substantial: the initial August report showed 45 individuals who failed to check 200+ times, by October that number decrease to just 15 individuals.

The feedback from licensees has been valuable as it has helped identify gaps in training, education and functionality of OARRS. The Medical Board takes all these comments seriously and we will be incorporating the information into new OARRS education modules and OARRS software updates anticipated this spring.

We thank you for your continued effort to assist in the fight against opioid abuse. Collectively, we will save lives through effective OARRS use and compliance.



Naloxone Atomizer Recall

The Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (MHAS) was recently notified of a nationwide recall impacting nasal atomizers used to administer naloxone – a drug used to reverse opiate overdoses. The Teleflex Medical MAD300 Nasal Atomizer is the device recalled, not the medication itself. Faulty atomizers subject to the recall put forth a stream of naloxone rather than creating a mist as the naloxone is administered, potentially impacting the effectiveness of the lifesaving drug. This product is widely used across Ohio in naloxone kits made available through Project DAWN and through Ohio Pharmacy Services. Not all MAD300 nasal atomizers are subject to the recall and the medication should not be discarded.

The state has established a 24/7 toll-free hotline that individuals may call if they have questions about the recall: 1-844-364-4063. For complete information about the recall, visit:

StopOverdoses.ohio.gov

New Rules

At its meeting on November 9, 2016, the Medical Board adopted the following rules. All of the rules go into effect on November 30, 2016. [New rules can be found on the Medical Board's website.](#)

Massage Therapy:

- 4731-1-12 Application, examination for certificate to practice massage therapy
- 4731-1-16 Massage therapy curriculum requirements

Exposure-Prone Invasive Procedures:

- 4731-17-02 Universal precautions
- 4731-17-07 Violations

Delegation of Medical Tasks:

- 4731-23-01 Definitions
- 4731-23-02 Delegation of medical tasks

Radiologist Assistants:

- 4774-1-02 Application for a certificate to practice
- 4774-1-03 Renewal of a certificate to practice
- 4774-2-02 Criminal records checks