

# Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine

Presentation to

## Legislative Committee on Health Care

February 24, 2016

The Nevada Board of Osteopathic Medicine currently has just fewer than 1,300 licensees.

While all of our applications (new license, renewal license, license by endorsement, reinstatement, changes and verification) are available online, approximately 75 percent of our licensees opt to apply manually.

We have a number of pending new or renewal applications at any given time. With regard to pending applications, a number are those awaiting completion; typically when the applicant has failed to provide all requested documents. Staff notifies new applicants immediately of deficient applications. In the same vein, as current licensees approach their renewal period, staff notifies the licensee of the need to renew in order to avoid lapse in licensing. Typically, those listed as “pending” are ones who have moved and/or opted not to maintain licensing but have not notified the board of such.

**Case-by-case review** is warranted when the National Practitioner Database (NPDB) indicates:

- Disciplinary issues (i.e. probation or suspension from another licensing board)
- Multiple medical malpractice cases against the applicant
- Record of alcohol or other substance abuse
- Falsifying an application
- “Negative” fingerprint report

**Efforts to improve licensing process:**

- BOM no longer requires Physician Assistants (PA) to credential via the Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS)
- BOM meets monthly to expedite review and licensing process
  - Provides greater transparency (public meeting)
- AB89 (2015) allows staff to license Veterans and veterans’ spouses without Board review
- Staff continually reviews process for ways to improve and streamline licensing process

**Medical Licensure Compact**

- The BOM Executive Director is a member of the Interstate Medical Licensure Commission, or “Compact Coalition
- Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) has provided grants
  - Coalition has hired consultant to assist in identifying needs (regulations, etc)
  - Coalition is in the process of promulgating the bylaws and cross-state processing regulations. Anticipate completion in about one year
  - Coalition will hire an executive director to oversee Central Repository

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