News From The Board of Medical Examiners

ACTIONS FROM THE BOARD'S JANUARY 19, 2918 MEETING:

➤ The Board's Adjudication Panel approved 1 final order at its January 19, 2018 meeting.

To receive Board Action Reporting Forms of disciplinary actions by the Medical Board, contact the BSD Compliance Unit at dlibsdcomplaints @mt.gov

- ➤ The Board approved the following applications for licensure: 3 Physicians, 1 EMT. Another Physician license was granted pending the receipt of additional information. Review of 2 EMR and 2 EMT applications was postponed pending further information or by the applicant's request.
- ➤ The Board approved additional amendments to administrative rules that will appear in the Board's next notice of proposal, including changes to rules on unlicensed Medical Assistants and telemedicine practice by Physicians. The Board also is proposing to reduce 2-year renewal fees for Inactive Physicians, Physician Assistants and Podiatrists to 50% of the Active renewal fees for those license types.
- ➤ The Board welcomed new members Christine Emerson, R.D. of Helena and public member C.E. "Abe" Abramson of Missoula.

OTHER BOARD-RELATED NEWS:

➤ The Board has additional new members who have been appointed by Gov. Steve Bullock but have not yet attended a meeting. They are James Guyer, M.D. of Billings and voluntary emergency care provider Brian Reed of Rollins.

BOARD STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 (July-December):

License Type	Applications Received	<u>Licenses Issued*</u>
Acupuncturist	8	7
ECP (All Levels)	437	388
Nutritionist	23	21
Physician	272	252
Physician Assistan	t 60	55
Podiatrist	1	2
Resident Physician	n 41	52

^{*}Not necessarily from applications received during same time period.

The Board's next meeting will be Friday, March 16, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be at 301 S. Park Ave. in Helena.

Information and agendas for Board meetings (inc. committee meetings) are at: www.medicalboard.mt.gov

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Officers for 2018

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Tanja Brekke, L.Ac.

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James Burkholder, MD

Secretary

Ana Diaz, Ph.D.

Board Members Acupuncturist

Tanja Brekke, L. Ac.

Emergency Care Provider

Brian Reed, Paramedic

Nutritionist

Christine Emerson. RD

Physicians

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Physician Assistant

Tammy Scott, PA-C

Podiatrist

Nathan Thomas, DPM

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