Highlights from the Board's July 2019 Meeting

Here are the actions the Board of Medical Examiners took at its July 19, 2019 meeting in Helena:

- The Board’s Adjudication Panel accepted one final order.
- The Board reviewed six "non-routine" applications for licensure: four were approved without conditions, one was approved pending the receipt of further information, and one was postponed pending the receipt of further information.
  (NOTE: The Board does not review the vast majority of licensure applications, which are "routine.")

Other Board News and Activities

- The Board welcomed Molly Biehl, D.O. of Sheridan and Gina Painter, D.P.M. of Great Falls to their first Board meeting in July.
- The Board’s Laws and Rules Committee met on July 11 and recommended amendments to rules regarding ECPs (including rules that would implement Community Integrated Health Care), Nutritionist application requirements, Acupuncturist application requirements and Physicians’ use of telemedicine. Those recommendations still must go to the full Board prior to a formal notice of proposal.
- The first meeting of the joint "Medical Esthetics Committee" took place on June 11 with members of the Medical, Nursing and Barbers & Cosmetology Boards participating. Leesha Ford, R.N. was elected chair of the committee. The committee agreed to gather more information via a survey of licensees. The committee will meet again on Wednesday, August 7 at 1:00 p.m. at 301 S. Park Ave. (4th Floor) in Helena.
- The Department of Labor and Industry has extended its contract with the Montana Professional Assistance Program (MPAP) to provide services to the Medical, Nursing, Dental and Pharmacy Boards.
- Interested in what the Medical Board is doing? Join the Board’s list of "interested parties" by making a request in writing to dlibsmed@mt.gov. Once on the list, you’ll receive notices of all upcoming meetings, links to agendas, and information about any upcoming rulemaking notices.

Upcoming Board Events

- **Medical Esthetics Committee Meeting**
  (with NUR and BAR-COS Boards)
  301 S. Park Ave., 4th Floor
  Wed., August 7 at 1:00 p.m.

- **Screening Panel Meeting**
  301 S. Park Ave, 4th Floor
  Fri., August 16 at 8:00 a.m.
  (Not a public meeting.)

- **Full Board Meeting**
  301 S. Park Ave, 4th Floor
  Fri., Sept. 20 at 9:30 a.m.
  (Preceded by Screening and Adjudication Panel meetings.)