



LICENSE RENEWAL

Licenses for Perfusionists expire January 31, 2020, and licenses for Naturopathic Doctors expire on March 30, 2020. Licensees who fail to renew before the license expiration will need to apply for reinstatement. Questions may be emailed to mdh.mbprenewal@maryland.gov

Name changes and CHRCs

Maryland law requires that licensed physicians and allied health practitioners notify the Board in writing of any name change within 60 days after the change. Name change request forms are available on the Board's Website for licensees to download, complete, and mail to the Board.

It is especially important that licensees' names match the names licensees use to practice a health occupation profession when submitting to criminal history records checks (CHRCs). If there has been a legal name change, a licensee should submit a name change form to the Board before submitting to a CHRC.

In addition, it is important for licensees to make sure their addresses are current for official correspondence from the Board. Each licensee is required to notify the Board of a change in address within 60 days after the change. Click to [Update Address](#)

Carve-In of the HIV/AIDS Medications

Submitted by the Maryland Department of Health, Office of Pharmacy Services

Effective January 1, 2020, the Maryland Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) will be responsible for processing and paying all claims for HIV/AIDS medications for their members. Prescribers seeking information about the Maryland Medical Assistance Transmittal, dated October 9, 2019 regarding "Carve-In of the HIV/AIDS Medications," may call

NEWS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Board Website Updates

- The Board's search page for practitioner profiles has a new look. The page now offers "quick links," including one for licensees to access the portal to edit certain sections of their profiles. Individuals still can look up a practitioner by a last name or a license number.

As a reminder, all licensed practitioners can edit their demographic information through the online practitioner profile on the Board's Website. Licensees can update their nonpublic, primary practice, and public addresses, and they can add information such as postgraduate training programs, specialty board certifications, self-designated practice areas, and hospital privileges.

- Physician Assistants (PAs) can terminate delegation agreements through their Board Website profiles or through the Board's license renewal system. PAs are encouraged to routinely check their profiles to make sure the information is accurate.
- There's a new "File a Complaint" button on the homepage next to "Look up a license."
- The Board is updating various applications and forms that are available on the Website. Always check for the latest version of the Board's applications and forms, especially if you started one but have not completed it. The Board will not accept outdated applications and forms.

Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) Update

- **Telehealth:** The Board's update of its telehealth regulations (formerly titled "Telemedicine") went into effect August 12, 2019. See [COMAR 10.32.05](#)
- **PostGraduate Training:** A definition of this term was added to COMAR 10.32.01 and 10.32.13 (effective August 26, 2019).
- **Nuclear Medicine Technologists:** A proposal to amend COMAR 10.32.10.02 (Definitions) and .10 (Scope of Practice – Nuclear Medicine Technology) was published in the *Maryland Register* on October 25, 2019 to invite formal comments.
- **Registered Cardiovascular Invasive Specialists (RCIS):** In August 2019, the Board held a public stakeholder meeting to discuss the drafting of regulations addressing RCIS (under COMAR 10.32.12). The regulations are moving through the promulgation process.

1-800-492-5231 (Option 3).

Reminder: Board E-mail Addresses

General Inquiries | Policy Questions |
Licensure by Reciprocity
mbpmail@rcn.com

Matters regarding Maryland licensure
through the Interstate Medical
Licensure Compact
mbp_compact@maryland.gov

Physician Drug Dispensing Permits
mdh.mbpdrugdispense@maryland.gov

Physician Assistant Drug Dispensing
mdh.mbpPAdispense@maryland.gov

"PILL MILL" TIP LINE

Maryland's "Pill Mill" Tip Line is
888-829-1115 for individuals to
report suspected prescribing
issues.

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- **Drug Dispensing:** The Board is drafting revisions to its dispensing permit regulations (COMAR 10.32.23) to address dispensing authority delegated to physician assistants and to add new provisions regarding topical medication permits.

Office of Oral Health

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Maryland's Office of Oral Health has a new initiative funded by a Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant. This grant includes integration of oral health into primary care and education for providers and patients to improve access to care.

One of the main concepts is to work toward breaking down the silos in and between medical and dental communities to create a communication/referral process which will assist in access to care for all in oral health and health for the most vulnerable populations.

Comments are welcome and can be e-mailed to:
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ImmuNet

State law requires certain health providers to report all administered vaccines to ImmuNet, Maryland's immunization registry. For more information about ImmuNet, call 410-767-6606 or visit the Maryland Department of Health's [ImmuNet](#) website.