

MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS BULLETIN

Your Fall 2020 eNews Update



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NEWS | UPDATES

[Code of Maryland Regulations \(COMAR\)](#)

1. **Telehealth:** The Board has submitted to the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) proposed revisions to its telehealth regulations (COMAR 10.32.05).
2. **Athletic Trainers:** The Board is preparing to submit to MDH proposed revisions to COMAR 10.32.08, regarding athletic trainers, to reflect statutory changes that went into effect October 1, 2020, and to include additional revisions for consistency with other Board regulations.
3. **Drug Dispensing:** In August 2020, the Board submitted to MDH its revisions to dispensing permit regulations (COMAR 10.32.23) to address dispensing authority delegated to physician assistants and to add new provisions regarding topical medication permits.
4. **Polysomnographers:** In February 2020, the Board submitted to MDH its proposed revisions to COMAR 10.32.06 following a review of the chapter.

Board Website Updates



- Since March 2020, the Board has been posting and updating COVID-19 information. Under “Covid Alerts” on the homepage, there are links to executive orders, notices, and other resources. The Board has also posted COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). Go to the Covid FAQs tab on the [homepage](#).
- The Board has posted a flyer with information about a new Webinar series titled “Helping the Helpers and Those They Serve.” The Webinars offered by the Maryland Department of Health Behavioral Health Administration and MedChi are geared toward community and hospital health care workers of all disciplines. For dates and continuing education information, click [here](#) for the flyer.
- Applications are being accepted to fill the following Board vacancies: Physician, physician assistant, and consumer member. Click [here](#) for the recruitment page on the Board’s Website.
- Always check the Website for the latest version of the Board’s documents, especially if you started an application but waited to complete it. The Board will not accept outdated applications and forms.
- Licensure applications and forms are now available on the Website as fillable PDFs. The Board encourages individuals to utilize the fillable versions.

Upcoming Allied Health License Renewals

Licenses for radiation therapists, radiographers, nuclear medicine

5. **Registered Cardiovascular Invasive Specialists (RCIS):** The proposal to update COMAR 10.32.12 regarding RCIS was submitted to MDH.

BOARD EMAIL ADDRESSES

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Matters regarding Maryland licensure
through the Interstate Medical
Licensure Compact:
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Physician Drug Dispensing Permits:
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Physician Assistant Drug Dispensing:
mdh.mbpPADispense@maryland.gov

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technologists, and radiologist assistants expire on April 30, 2021, and licenses for polysomnographers expire on May 30, 2021. Watch for notices from the Board about the start of online renewals. Questions may be sent to mdh.mbprenewal@maryland.gov.

Click [here](#) for the Board's license renewal portal.

ImmuNet Reminder

Since October 1, 2019, the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) has mandated that all vaccines provided in Maryland be reported to ImmuNet, regardless of patient opt-out status in ImmuNet (see *Health General Article, §18-109, Annotated Code of Maryland*).

MDH encourages health care providers to register and to begin reporting administration of vaccines. Registration is free. Information on ImmuNet enrollment can be found at:

<https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/OIDEOR/IMMUN/Pages/immunet-reporting.aspx>

Distribution of future COVID-19 vaccines will require health care providers to be registered in ImmuNet. Additional information on ImmuNet registration, the process of reporting vaccinations, and the Help Desk contact information can be found here:

<https://www.mdimmunet.org/prd-IR/portalInfoManager.do>