

2020 Annual Report
Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure
Sandra R. Shuffett, M.D.
President

Board History

In 1851, the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure began the work of serving the citizens of the Commonwealth when the Kentucky General Assembly created the groundwork for the Kentucky State Medical Society. Not long after that, the Kentucky State Board of Health was formed in 1878 with the goal of protecting the citizens of the Commonwealth from the diseases of the time. This entity was recognized as the legal arm of the state medical association and was a precursor to the current Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure.

In the 1880s, the General Assembly went further and gave the State Board of Health control of the examination and regulation of those practicing the healing arts. Later, in 1882, state, local and city boards of health became government agencies with the authority from the General Assembly to do everything necessary to protect the public health. As a result and over time, this led to the development of licensure examinations and hiring of staff to enforce basic medical practice laws. Finally, the General Assembly created the current Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure in 1972.

Since its inception, the primary mission of the Board has been to protect and promote the public welfare of the citizens of the Commonwealth. It is with this significant duty in mind that Board members are called upon to make crucial decisions whether physicians are competent to provide patient care or if they pose a threat to the public. Using this approach, the Board strives to license qualified medical and osteopathic physicians and take appropriate disciplinary actions when violations of the Medical Practice Act occur.

In addition to the licensing and regulation of medical and osteopathic physicians, the General Assembly has given the Board the responsibility of licensing and regulation of other health care professions such as physician assistants, athletic trainers, acupuncturists, surgical assistants, and genetic counselors. Each of these groups has its own advisory body, which reviews applications and considers policy matters and in turn makes recommendations to the Board for final approval.

The Board regulates the practice of medicine and osteopathy and its other professions under the statutory authority of Chapter 311 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes and Title 201 of the Kentucky Administrative Regulations. The Board is an independent licensure agency and is totally self-funded through licensure fees.

Board Members

The Board is presently made up of fifteen members, consisting of seven medical physicians who are in private practice, one osteopathic physician, three consumer at large representatives, the deans of the state's three medical/osteopathic schools and the Commissioner of Public Health for the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. The composition of the Board is slightly different when compared to other state medical boards in the fact the appointment of the deans of the medical /osteopathic schools and the Commissioner of Public Health serve as voting ex-officio members and provide a unique perspective to matters under review by the Board. Physician appointees serve four year terms and are nominated by the Kentucky Medical Association and Kentucky Osteopathic Association, who submit a list of three potential nominees to the Governor for consideration.

2020 Members and Officers

- Sandra R. Shuffett, M.D., Lexington, President
- Richard Whitehouse, Esq. Louisville, (Consumer), Vice President/Panel A Chair
- Kenneth J. Payne, M.D., Louisville, Secretary/Panel B Chair
- Caren L. Daniels, M.D., Morehead

- Robert S. DiPaola, M.D., Dean, University of Kentucky College of Medicine*
- Michael E. Fletcher, M.D., Crestview Hills
- Steve Stack, M.D., Commissioner, Kentucky Department of Public Health*
- Mary Nan Mallory, M.D., Vice Dean of Clinical Affairs, U of L School of Medicine*
- Dana C. Shaffer, D.O., Dean, University of Pikeville, College of Osteopathic Medicine*
- Mark A. Schroer, M.D., Newport
- William C. Thornbury, M.D., Glasgow
- Bill A. Webb, D.O., Pikeville
- Kristin Ann Turner, Esq., Alexandria (Consumer Member)
- David W. Wallace, M.D., Shelbyville
- Philip D. Williamson, Esq., Louisville (Consumer Member)

**Ex-Officio Members*

This year, the Board witnessed a few changes to its membership as the result of the appointments made by Governor Matt Bevin. As a result, the Board welcomed the appointment of William C. Thornbury, M.D., who practices Family Medicine in Glasgow, replacing Angela Dearing, M.D., who resigned her position to become the Commissioner of Public Health. In addition, Mark A. Schroer, M.D., who practices Internal Medicine in Newport, was appointed to the Board, replacing Dale E. Toney, M.D., whose term had expired. The Board also welcomed Bill A. Webb, D.O., who practices Family Medicine in Pikeville to fill the vacancy left by Randal C. Gibson, D.O., whose term expired. Finally, the Board welcomed Steve Stack, M.D., who was appointed the Commissioner of Public Health and serves in an Ex-Officio capacity. The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its deepest appreciation to Dr. Dearing, Dr. Gibson, and Dr. Toney for their years of service to the citizens of the Commonwealth and their dedication to public protection.

Advisory Committees and Councils

As mentioned previously, the Board currently has several advisory committees that assist the agency in its work of protecting the health and safety of Kentucky

citizens. Each of the advisory committees meet on a quarterly basis and review applications for licensure and to make recommendations to the Board. Appointments to the committees are made directly by the Board. The committees are as follows:

<p>Kentucky Physician Assistant Advisory Committee</p> <p>Timothy K. Thurston, PA-C, Boaz, Chair Sherry Grace, PA-C, Louisville Tammy R. Jewell, PA-C, Dayton Stephanie Morgan-White, Esq., Prospect Marty Mullins, PA-C, Hazard Patrick D. Pepper, PA-C, Lexington Van Young, M.D, Crestview Hills Caren L. Daniels, M.D., Morehead</p>	<p>Kentucky Athletic Trainer Advisory Council</p> <p>Kerry Dean Geary, ATC, Nicholasville, Chair Philip B. Hurley, M.D., Owensboro Molly E. Woods, ATC, Lakeside Park Mary Lloyd Ireland, M.D., Lexington James A. Madaleno, ATC, Lexington Aaron D. Sciascia, ATC, Richmond Thomas J. Steltenkamp, ATC, Louisville Jerry Wyman, CMAA, Ed S, Louisville David Wallace, M.D., Louisville</p>
<p>Kentucky Advisory Committee for Surgical Assistants</p> <p>Jeffrey Bidwell, KCSA, Madisonville Jeri Anna Fritz, RN, Louisville Thomas Rap II, D.O., Louisville Eva M. Owen, KCSA, Louisville Beverly Hatcher, RN, Louisville Rodney Henderson, KCSA, Woodburn, Chair</p>	<p>Kentucky Acupuncture Advisory Committee</p> <p>Martha Graziano, L.Ac, Louisville, Chair Dinah Blue, L.Ac, Georgetown Nga T.N. Collard, M.D., Elizabethtown Becky Flynn, L.Ac Mary Ellen Moore Donna Gatewood, M.D., Louisville Marie T. Tagher, L.Ac, Walton</p>
<p>Kentucky Genetic Counselors Advisory Committee</p> <p>Caren L. Daniels, M.D., Morehead Jaime Grund, Hebron Kelly Jackson, Louisville Elizabeth Hays, Lexington Kathryn Platky Warren, Louisville Joseph J. Hersh, M.D., Louisville</p>	

Board Staff

The Board is currently staffed by seventeen dedicated employees consisting of an Executive Director and General Counsel who are directly chosen by the Board. Our

office address is 310 Whittington Parkway, Suite 1B, Louisville, KY 40222. We can be reached via phone at (502) 429-7150 and via fax at (502) 429-7158.

- Michael S. Rodman, Executive Director
- Leanne Diakov, General Counsel
- Sara Adair Farmer, Assistant General Counsel
- Sandy K. Brooks, Office/Systems Manager
- Jessica Shelman, Secretary to Executive Director
- Jill Lun, Legal Secretary
- Tyra Johnson, Boards & Commisions Support Specialist
- Melinda Swinney, Verifications Coordinator
- Cheryl Tabler, Licensure Coordinator
- Dawn R. Beahl, Surgical Assistant/Genetic Counselor/Acupuncture Coordinator
- Carolyn L. Reed, Investigations Coordinator
- Terraz Dean, Licensure Coordinator
- Michelle M. Humpich, Fiscal Officer
- Teresa Kleinhenz, Physician Assistant, Athletic Trainer and CME Coordinator
- John Lewis, Medical Investigator
- Billy Madden, Medical Investigator
- Jon Marshall, Medical Investigator
- Stephen Manley, Medical Investigator
- Kevin Payne, Medical Investigator

Licensure

The full Board meets on a quarterly basis in March, June, September and December in order to review applicants for licensure and consider policy issues. During the past year, the Board considered **1,492** applications for various licenses to practice in the state. As a result, **1,226** new medical licenses were granted and **195** osteopathic licenses were issued. The Board also issued **794** temporary permits to practice in the state and issued **291** residency training licenses, **25** institutional training licenses, and **2** faculty licenses. The Board also certified **149** new physician assistants, bringing the total number of physician assistants to **1,546**. **131** new athletic trainers were also certified by the Board, bringing the total number of certified athletic trainers in the state to **859**. The Board certified **20** of new surgical assistants in the state, with a total of **231**. Finally, the Board licensed **10** of new acupuncturists in the state, which gives Kentucky a **90** licensed in the state.

Investigations

While most citizens recognize the Board is responsible for the licensing and regulation of medical and osteopathic physicians and other health care providers under its jurisdiction, the Board is also responsible for reviewing and investigating all grievances filed against these professionals. The Board reviews all types of grievances against physicians including professional misconduct, moral turpitude, ethical concerns and practice irregularities. Grievances come to the Board from various sources such as consumers, hospitals, government agencies, law enforcement, physicians, and other healthcare professionals. Once a grievance is reviewed and thoroughly investigated by one of the Board's five investigators, it is presented to one of the Board Inquiry/Hearing Panels. An important aspect of the Board's investigative process is the work being performed by the numerous Kentucky physicians who are contracted to perform medical record reviews, provide written reports regarding a physician's practice, and provide testimony in cases in which an administrative hearing is held. The extraordinary service provided by these physicians are at the core of the Board's ability to protect the public and their collective contribution to the medical care of all Kentucky citizens is immeasurable.

For matters related to investigations and disciplinary action, the Board is split up into two different groups, Inquiry/Hearing Panel A and Inquiry/Hearing Panel B. These Panels meet each month on alternate basis in order to determine whether an investigation revealed a violation of the Medical Practice Act. In the event that a violation is found, it is referred to the Board's Legal Department resolve through an informal process or administrative hearing. Once that process is complete, it is presented to the alternate Inquiry/Hearing Panel for final resolution.

This year, the Board's Inquiry/Hearing Panels met 12 times and reviewed **201** grievances, which included **147** investigative reports. As a result of this review, formal

disciplinary action was initiated against **48** physicians' licenses. These actions resulted in **5** licenses being placed on probation, **14** licenses being restricted, **15** being suspended, **3** licenses being surrendered, **1** license being revoked and **12** Agreed Orders signed. The Board currently has **195** physicians' licenses under some form of Order.

Continuing Medical Education

The Board is currently in the third year of the current three-year CME cycle. Continuing medication education is a valuable tool utilized by the Board to demonstrate a physician's personal competency. According to 201 KAR 9:310, all physicians maintaining a current Kentucky medical/osteopathic license are required to complete sixty (60) hours of CME every three (3) year cycle, with thirty (30) hours being certified in AMA or AOA Category I by an organization accredited by the Accreditation Council on Continuing Medical Education (CME). The current CME cycle ends on **December 31, 2020**.

The Board continually reminds all licensed physicians to ensure that they obtain the appropriate continuing medical education hours to maintain compliance with this regulation. In order to monitor compliance with the CME requirements, the Board does conduct random audits and has been conducting such reviews from the previous cycle. It is also important for physicians to remember the continuing medical education requirements related to HB 1, which went into effect in 2012, remain ongoing. According to the regulation for each three (3) year continuing education cycle, a licensee who is authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances in the Commonwealth at any time during that cycle shall complete at least four and one-half (4.5) hours of approved continuing education hours relating to the use of KASPER, pain management, addiction disorders, or a combination of two (2) or more of those subjects. A licensee may satisfy this requirement by completing a single approved program of 4.5 hours or longer or by completing multiple approved programs for a total of 4.5 hours or

longer for that cycle. A summary of the Board's CME requirements is available on at www.kbml.ky.gov.

Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation

Outside of the Board's role in licensing and investigating grievances against physicians and allied health professions, the Board is also heavily involved and supports the Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation, which was established by the General Assembly in KRS 311.617. The Board contracts and provides funding to the Foundation in order to facilitate the prevention, identification, intervention and rehabilitation of Kentucky physicians who have, or who are at risk for developing, disorders that are associated with functional impairment or who are suffering from chemical dependency, mental health issues or behavioral problems. The Foundation is currently under the leadership of its medical director, Greg Jones, M.D.

The Board strongly encourages its licensees to take advantage of this program, which has saved hundreds of medical careers over the years while also ensuring the public is protected through their stringent monitoring activities. As expected, the Foundation works very closely with the Board regarding its participants and provides a report at each Board meeting. In addition, the Board's Executive Director sits on the Board of Directors of the Foundation in an ex-officio capacity. In addition to serving the licensees of the Board, the Foundation also provides information and education to employers, licensee associations, support networks, treatment programs, and other stakeholders.

Prescribing Controlled Substances

While recent state reports continue to indicate the prescribing of controlled substances has declined in recent years, the Board still considers allegations of inappropriate prescribing to very serious and continues to take appropriate disciplinary action when violations occur. At the center of the Board's effort to combat this issue is

the Board's concerted effort to collaborate with law enforcement agencies such as the Office of the Attorney General, the Kentucky State Police, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' Office of Inspector General and various other Federal and local agencies. In addition to partnering with law enforcement, the Board continues to look for ways to collaborate with other agencies and groups to raise awareness of the dangers of controlled substances. The Board continues to be encouraged by these efforts and recognize the contributions that countless physicians throughout Kentucky have made to recognize the crisis Kentucky has been experiencing and focus on other alternatives to controlled substances.

It is important to note the Board has promulgated 3 administrative regulations, which set out the acceptable and prevailing medical standards for prescribing and dispensing controlled substances for all physicians licensed in Kentucky. Those regulations are as follows:

- 201 KAR 9:016 - Restrictions on use of amphetamine and amphetamine-like anorectic substances
- 201 KAR 9:260 - Professional standards for prescribing and dispensing controlled substances
- 201 KAR 9:270 - Professional standards for prescribing or dispensing Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-Combined-with-Naloxone

Copies of these regulations are available on the Board's website along with a host of helpful information regarding prescribing controlled substances such as screening tools, educational information, treatment resources, and links to prescription drug disposal locations just to name a few.

Over the past year, the Board has spent countless hours with the representatives from the Kentucky Society of Addiction Medicine (KYSAM) to amend 201 KAR 9:270 and are pleased to note the changes in the regulation should go into effect on October 1, 2020. The Board appreciates the work of KYSAM on this regulation and are committed to continuing to work this group and other physicians going forward as the standards for medication assisted treatment for opioid addiction continues to change.

While still on the topic of prescribing controlled substances, the Board continues to remind physicians that one of the best ways to help protect your practice is to review your personal KASPER Prescriber Report card on a regular basis. The Kentucky Health & Family Services Cabinet has continually updated and improved this resource and expanded the information that is available to help physicians monitor their controlled substances prescribing and actually compare your prescribing practices with physicians in same specialty throughout the Commonwealth. KASPER Prescriber Report Cards are available on a quarterly basis and annual (calendar year) basis. The Board strongly encourages all physicians who are authorized to prescribe controlled substances to take advantage of these useful tools.

COVID-19 Response

On March 6, 2020, Governor Andy Behear issued Executive Order 2020-215, declaring a state of emergency in the Commonwealth due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Like all areas of state government, this action impacted the Board, who responded immediately to assist state leaders as they began to address the pandemic that has gripped our state and the nation.

On March 17, 2020, the Secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services activated its operation of the emergency system for advanced registration of volunteer health practitioners, pursuant to KRS 39A.356 and thereby directed the Board to accept and review licenses for volunteer health practitioners and confirm they have an active license in good standing to perform health services during the state of emergency regarding COVID-19. Within hours, the Board responded by putting in place its Kentucky Registration for Emergency System for Advanced Registration of Volunteer Health Practitioners and began registering licensed out-of-state practitioners on the registry, which allows physicians and physician assistants to see Kentucky patients without state licensure. Since the implementation of this action, the Board has found the vast majority of physicians and physician assistants who registered with our agency are providing telemedicine services to Kentucky patients. To date, the Board has registered 1,816 individual physicians, 355 physicians with Deaconess Health Systems,

and 2, 257 physicians affiliated with Vanderbilt University Medical Center. In addition, 45 individual physician assistants have been registered along with 75 physician assistants with Vanderbilt Medical Center.

The Board also acted quickly to issue an Advisory Opinion on Prescribing Controlled Substances During the Declaration of Emergency, which was distributed via email and distributed to all healthcare providers in Kentucky. The Opinion is as follows:

In response to the recent novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and subsequent declaration of State of Emergency by Governor Andy Beshear, the Board has received inquiries from licensees about prescribing controlled substances during this period. The Board would like to remind all of its licensees who are prescribing controlled medications (whether Schedule IIs, IIIs, IVs or Vs) of KRS 311.597(4) which calls upon licensees to conform with acceptable and prevailing medical practices and the provisions of 201 KAR 9:260 Section 2(2), which states If a physician is unable to conform to professional standards for prescribing or dispensing controlled substances due to circumstances beyond the physician's control, or the physician makes a professional determination that it is not appropriate to comply with a specific standard, based upon the individual facts applicable to a specific patient's diagnosis and treatment, the physician shall document those circumstances in the patient's record and only prescribe or dispense a controlled substance to the patient if the patient record appropriately justifies the prescribing or dispensing of a controlled substance under the circumstances. The standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practices that apply under normal circumstances may not apply in a state of emergency. During this time it is particularly important that licensees responsibly exercise their best clinical judgment on a case-by-case and patient-by-patient basis, balancing a variety of factors (including being mindful not to contribute to the ongoing opioid epidemic). When considering whether to have an in-person patient visit, licensees should ask themselves whether the service provided would be retrospectively deemed necessary if the patient were to become infected by COVID-19 as a result of the visit. Where possible, use of telehealth

technologies should be considered in an effort to limit and contain the spread of COVID-19. For instance, the current but temporary state of emergency may be a circumstance in which it would not be appropriate to require a patient to come in prior to refilling a prescription. The physician should consider whether the patient has a history of compliance with treatment directives; whether the patient is established and stable on the dose of medication. If it is a matter of refilling the same medication at the same dosage for an established patient, in order to avoid exposing the patient or others to the current environment, it may be appropriate to authorize a refill without an in-person visit. For patients beginning treatment of opioid use disorder with buprenorphine, in order to avoid exposing the patient or others to the current environment, it may be appropriate to screen the patient using telehealth technologies in order to determine whether an in-person examination is warranted. In this state of emergency, telehealth may be a clinically sound approach for some patients and some conditions, but for others it may not. It is appropriate to use telehealth resources to help make such a determination on patient-by-patient basis. The Board recognizes that the current state of emergency is a fluid environment requiring extraordinary effort, physical and mental, from many of its licensees. The Board understands the fine line of balancing treatment of individual patients with the protection of others and are grateful for its licensees' efforts to exercise sound judgment in unsound circumstances.

In addition to these actions, the Board held a Board meeting in April to discuss its response to the pandemic and whether any additional actions should be made in the future. Like the rest of state government, the Board has moved all of its formal meetings to a virtual format and its staff have been following state guidelines as it relates to working in-person at the Board's office.

Legislative Activity

During the proceedings of the Kentucky General Assembly's 2020 Legislative Session, the Board saw the passage of two pieces of legislation involving physician assistants and athletic trainers. On March 27, 2020, Governor Beshear signed HB 135,

sponsored by Rep. Steve Sheldon, which amends KRS 311.842 to require the Board to promulgate administrative regulations relating to the prescribing of controlled substances by physician assistants. HB 135 gives physicians assistants the ability to prescribe controlled substances, but it is limited to Schedules III, IV and V after the physician assistant has been licensed and has practiced for one year and been approved by the Board. In addition, physician assistants must obtain a DEA certificate and register for a KASPER account. HB 135 limits Schedule III prescriptions from physician assistants to a 30-day supply without a refill and Schedule IV and Schedule V to a six-month supply. The law went into effect on July 14, 2020. During the interim, the Board has already started work on promulgating the appropriate administrative regulations setting out the professional standards for prescribing and administering controlled substances and the professional standards for prescribing or administering Buprenorphine-Mono-Product or Buprenorphine-combined with-Naloxone. In addition, the Board approved the required application at its June meeting and made it available for physician assistants on July 1, 2020.

Governor Beshear also signed SB 125, sponsored by Sen. Tom Buford, which amended KRS 311.900 to modify definitions used for athletic trainer licensing and amended KRS 311.901 to require athletic trainer regulations that include procedures, discipline, a code of ethics, and standards of practice. It also amended KRS 311.903 to describe activities that are or are not within an athletic trainer's scope of practice and directed the Board to establish a formulary of legend medications an athletic trainer may obtain, transport, provide, or administer; authorize athletic training services for employment injuries. SB 125 also requires an athletic trainer and the athletic trainer's supervising physician to complete a board form that establishes the athletic trainer's authorized practice activities. After the passage of the SB 125, the Kentucky Athletic Trainer Advisory Council began working on the required forms and regulation with hopes of presenting those items to the full Board in September 2020.

Outreach Efforts

Over the past few years, the Board has been committed to increase the level of communication between the agency and its licensees. While the Board does still utilize formal ways of communicating with physicians such as hard copy mailings, it also focuses much of its communication efforts through electronic means. The primary medium the Board utilizes for communication continues to be its quarterly newsletter, which is available on the Board's website and emailed to each of the Board's licensees. This year, the Board's newsletter contained numerous articles about prescribing controlled substances, KASPER updates, and timely notices about CME and issues relating to various standards of care. Along with our newsletter, the Board continues to utilize email blasts to share important updates on regulatory changes and on issues deemed to be time sensitive. A perfect example of this type of information were the numerous notification regarding the COVID-19 closures and reopening of medical services.

The Board's website, www.kbml.ky.gov, continues to provide valuable information about the Board, policy statements, Board Opinions, and a direct link to the Medical Practice Act and administrative regulations. The website is updated on a daily basis with a focus on alerts, which appear directly on the home page with important updates. In addition to physicians and healthcare providers, consumers often utilize the website to verify licensure information on a specific physician or inquiry about disciplinary action.

Board staff also regularly accepts speaking engagements throughout the Commonwealth to speak on a subjects ranging from prescribing controlled substances to ways to avoid coming before the Board for a disciplinary matter. Whether the event is an association meeting, hospital grand rounds, or appearing before medical/osteopathic students, the Board recognizes the importance these types of speaking opportunities and attempts to honor all requests for speaking engagements

In addition to the traditional outreach efforts, the Board, after considering the success of our previous CME events, voted to collaborate with the Kentucky Medical

Association to offer virtual Continuing Medical Education (CME) as part of the KMA's Meet the Mandates event in conjunction with their annual meeting. This CME event is sponsored by the Board, thanks to a grant from the Federation of State Medical Boards Foundation. The goal for the CME is to provide especially timely information given that the COVID-19 pandemic has forced many to forgo scheduled CME activities. The event, which will fulfill the Board's mandatory HB 1 CME requirements, will take place on Sunday, August 28 and is free to all Kentucky physicians. For those that are unable to attend on the scheduled date, links to recorded sessions will be available through the end of the year. The Board is extremely excited about prospects of this offering and would like to thank the KMA for their assistance and the Federation of State Medical Boards Foundation for its support.

Final Summary

This is a brief summary of some of the many activities this Board has been involved with this past year. The Board continues to be active in carrying out its statutory responsibilities and we have attached an administrative report reflecting the number of meetings held by the Board and its various Committees, the number of licenses issued and renewed and a summary of disciplinary action taken for the year. We have also included statistical data on physicians with active Kentucky medical and osteopathic licenses noting their medical status, the number of physicians practicing in each county, the various specialties practiced in the state and the types and sources of grievances filed against physicians licensed by the Board.

While COVID-19 may have altered some of the Board's activities in 2020, I am pleased to conclude that it certainly did not impair the Board's ability to complete its statutory obligations. With that said, I would like to offer my most sincere thank you to the members of the Board and its staff for their dedication and hard work throughout the year. I cannot overstate what an honor it has been to serve on the Board. We take great pride in the Board's ability to serve the citizens of the Commonwealth and will continue to work to protect the public and improve the quality of health care in Kentucky.

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Meetings Held:	FY2020
Board of Medical Licensure	5
Inquiry/Hearing Panels	12
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee	4
State Council on Athletic Trainers	4
Surgical Assistant Advisory Committee	4
Acupuncture Advisory Committee	4
Genetic Counselor Advisory Committee	4

Licensure Activity for M.D.'s and D.O.'s

Renewals and Applications:

Registered In State	*12,029
Registered Out of State	7,088
Applications Provided For Initial Licensure	1,492

New Licenses Issued:

Medical Licenses	1,226
Osteopathic Licenses	195
Temporary Permits	794
Residency Training Licenses	291
Institutional Practice Limited Licenses	25
Fellowship Training Limited Licenses	13
Faculty Licenses	2

Licensure/Certification Activities for Allied Health Professionals

Physician Assistants

Active	1,546
New	149

Athletic Trainers

Active	859
New	131

Surgical Assistants

Active	231
New	20

Acupuncturists

Active	90
New	10

Genetic Counselors

Active	244
New	75

***Includes 761 retired physicians for FY2020.**

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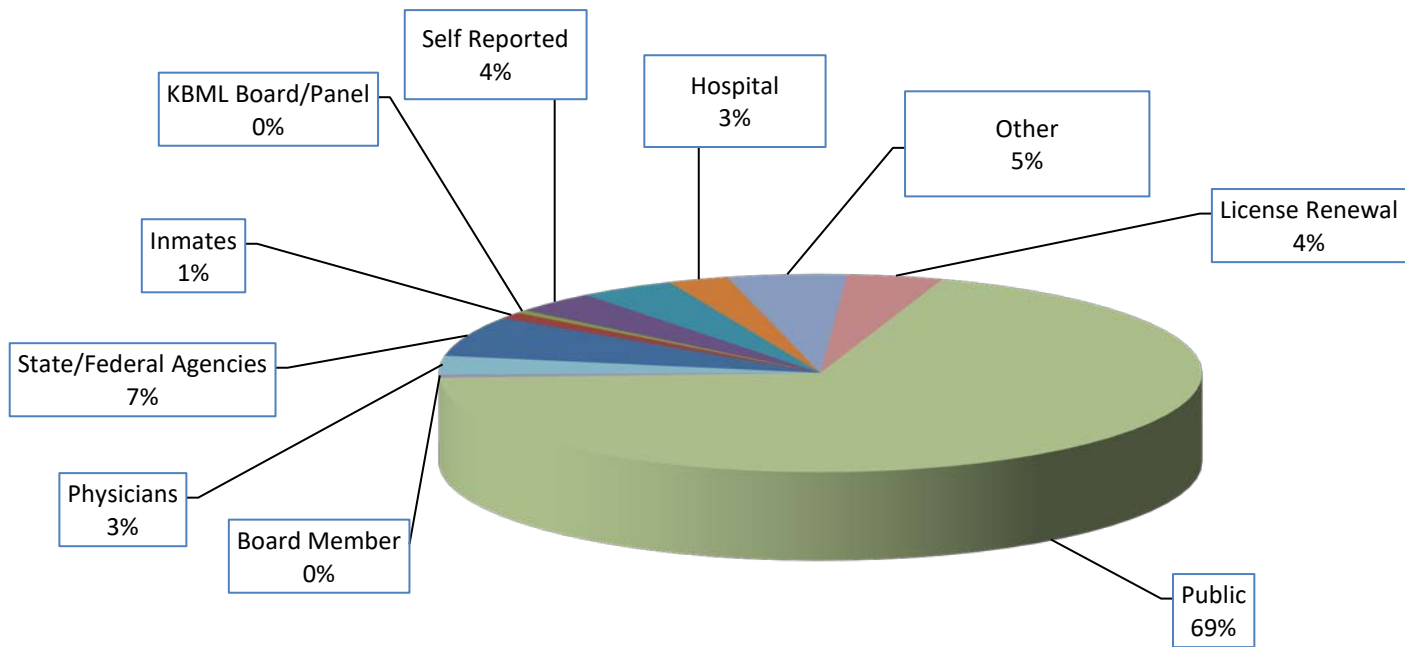
Disposition of Grievances and Disciplinary Actions Taken:

Grievances Opened	201
Total Cases to Panel	367
Cases Investigated to Panel	132
Investigations Pending	97
Malpractice Cases Reviewed	62
Disciplinary Proceedings Authorized	111

Disciplinary Action Taken

Complaints Issued	32
Emergency Orders of Suspension	5
Emergency Orders of Restriction	9
Orders Denying License	1
Final Orders	1
Orders of Probation	1
Orders of Reprimand	0
Orders of Restriction	0
Orders of Revocation	4
Orders of Suspension	0
Agreed Orders	45
Agreed Orders of Indefinite Restriction	0
Agreed Orders of Surrender	2
Agreed Orders of Probation	1
Agreed Orders of Revocation	4
Agreed Orders of Suspension	0
Agreed Orders of Fine	2
Agreed Orders of Retirement	2
Interim Agreed Orders	3
Orders Amended	15
Letters of Agreement	6
Letters of Admonishment	34
Letters of Concern	16

**Source of Grievance
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020
201 Grievances**



Type of Grievance

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020
201 Grievances

