

# *West Virginia Board of Medicine*

## *Quarterly Newsletter*

### 2011 RENEWAL PROCESS



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#### **Medical Doctors and Podiatrists**

Only those medical doctors whose last names begin with the letters M through Z and all podiatrists are required to renew for the years 2011—2013. For the years 2011—2013, the Board of Medicine will not be mailing a paper renewal application to all the medical doctors and podiatrists who are renewing their licenses. Beginning May 12, 2011, licensees who meet the criteria for online renewal may go to the Board’s website at [www.wvbom.wv.gov](http://www.wvbom.wv.gov) and follow the online renewal directions. The criteria are as follows:

1. currently hold an ACTIVE medical/podiatric license; or
2. currently hold an INACTIVE medical/podiatric license and will renew in an INACTIVE status; and,
3. have obtained the required continuing medical/podiatric education;
4. answer “no” to all questions (see “Renewal FAQ’s” currently on the Board’s website); and
5. desire to pay via credit/debit card.

If a licensee is unable to use the online renewal service, he or she will need to request a paper renewal application to complete and return to the Board offices. Paper renewal applications will be mailed on May 12, 2011. The online application or paper application must be completed and submitted **BEFORE** Thursday, June 30, 2011, at 4:30 p.m.

#### **Physician Assistants**

In mid-February 2011 licensure renewal applications will be mailed to all physician assistants. Renewal applications will be mailed to the address of record on file at the Board office. It is the responsibility of the licensee to keep this office apprised of any address change, in writing. For a physician assistant license to remain valid and in force, the fully completed renewal application and fee must be RECEIVED in the Board office **BEFORE** Thursday, March 31, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. The physician assistant's license will expire if the required continuing medical education has not been obtained (see related article on Page 7). If a licensee does not receive a renewal application, it is his or her responsibility to inform the Board and to request a duplicate. Every application will be computer-generated to include personalized information previously reported by the physician assistant and approved by the Board. However, each licensee will need to review this information to ensure that it is accurate. Physician assistants will not have the option of renewing licenses online.

#### **Drug Dispensing**

In mid-April 2011 those medical doctors and podiatrists who are currently registered with the Board as dispensing physicians will be able to renew their drug dispensing certificates online. These dispensing physicians may go to the Board’s website at [www.wvbom.wv.gov](http://www.wvbom.wv.gov) and follow the online renewal directions. If a drug dispensing physician is unable to use the online renewal service, he or she will need to request a paper renewal application to complete and return to the Board offices. The licensee may call the Board offices at 304.558.2921 x 224 to request a drug dispensing renewal application. The online application or paper application should be completed and submitted **BEFORE** Thursday, June 30, 2011, at 4:30 p.m.

## BOARD MEMBER PROFILE

### Kenneth Charles Nanners, M.D.

In October 2010, then Governor Joe Manchin III appointed Dr. Nanners to the West Virginia Board of Medicine. Dr. Nanners lives in Wheeling, West Virginia, with his wife, daughter, and two sons, and has, since 1999, practiced as an anesthesiologist at Medical Park Anesthesiology, Wheeling Hospital.

Dr. Nanners was born in Buckhannon, West Virginia, and received his B.S. from West Virginia Wesleyan College in Buckhannon in 1989. After graduating from West Virginia University School of Medicine in Morgantown, where he received honors in several subjects, his internship and residency training in anesthesiology from June 1994 to June 1998 was at the University of Virginia Health Sciences Center in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he was Chief Resident. In 1998 and 1999, he worked at Professional Anesthesia Services, Inc., in Charleston, West Virginia, before moving to Wheeling and joining Medical Park Anesthesiology.

Licensed to practice medicine in West Virginia, Virginia, and Ohio, Dr. Nanners is certified and has been recently recertified by the American Board of Anesthesiology. He is certified in advanced cardiac life support. He is a member of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the Society of Cardiovascular Anesthesia, the West Virginia State Society of Anesthesiologists, the West Virginia State Medical Association, the WESPAC Board of Directors, and he is a member and Past President of the Ohio County Medical Society.

Dr. Nanners is involved, as well, with the Alumni Associations of West Virginia Wesleyan College, WVU and WVU School of Medicine, UVA Medical, and is a Vestry Member at Lawrencefield Parish in Wheeling. He enjoys skiing and hunting.

#### West Virginia Board of Medicine Board Members

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Huntington

## LICENSING STATISTICS As of December 31, 2010

<u>MEDICAL DOCTORS</u>	<u>PODIATRISTS</u>	<u>PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS</u>
Medical Licenses Granted This Year <b>409</b>	Podiatric Licenses Granted This Year <b>9</b>	Physician Assistant Licenses Granted This Year <b>72</b>
Active Licensed Medical Doctors <b>5,857</b>	Active Licensed Podiatrists <b>111</b>	Active Licensed Physician Assistants <b>658</b>
Active Licensed Medical Doctors Practicing in West Virginia <b>3,864</b>	Active Licensed Podiatrists Practicing in West Virginia <b>68</b>	
Inactive Licensed Medical Doctors <b>628</b>	Inactive Licensed Podiatrists <b>14</b>	

### WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE COMPLIANT WITH NPDB REPORTING

This year, as of March 1, 2010, the National Practitioner Data Bank expanded its collection of data to all allied health care professionals. The audit done by the NPDB of the West Virginia Board of Medicine's compliance with reporting disciplinary actions on podiatrists and physician assistants as of October 1, 2010, showed that the West Virginia Board of Medicine is compliant. The NPDB audit for physicians has not yet been reported.

### ANNUAL REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE

In accordance with West Virginia State statute, the Board has submitted its Annual Report to the Legislature, outlining its activities for the past calendar year. A copy of the report is available on the Board's website at [www.wvbom.wv.gov](http://www.wvbom.wv.gov).



## BOARD ACTIONS October 2010 — December 2010



BAUM, MICHAEL RAYMOND, M.D. – Barnesville, OH (12/03/2010)

WV License No. 19816

Board Conclusion: Relating to having his license to practice medicine disciplined in another jurisdiction.

Board Action: Effective December 3, 2010, license placed in an ACTIVE status and is on PROBATION as long as his Ohio medical license is in a probationary status.

BODET, JOSEPH, M.D. – Charleston, WV (10/12/2010)

WV License No. 23755

Board Conclusion: Relating to presenting a false statement in connection with a license application.

Board Action: Dr. Bodet paid to the Board three-hundred dollars (\$300) for providing false information to the Board on his application submitted to the Board, two-hundred dollars (\$200) of which is designated a fine, one-hundred (\$100) of which is designated administrative costs.

CHANDRASEKHAR, SUBRAMANIAM, M.D. – New Martinsville, WV (10/04/2010)

WV License No. 20461

Board Conclusion: Violated a term of his Second Amended Consent Order of November 2009 and violated probation.

Board Action: The stay of revocation of Dr. Chandrasekhar's West Virginia medical license was terminated and dissolved, and his license stands REVOKED effective October 8, 2010, at 12:01 a.m.

JAHDI, NASROLLAH, M.D. – Sewickley, PA (11/29/2010)

WV License No. 13211

Board Conclusion: Relating to having his license in another jurisdiction acted against.

Board Action: Dr. Jahdi's currently lapsed license is reactivated to ACTIVE status. Dr. Jahdi paid a fine of \$1,000 to the Board for action taken against him by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine.

MORTON, DANA RUTH, M.D. - Morgantown, WV (11/29/2010)

WV License No. 24302

Board Conclusion: Relating to alcoholism.

Board Action: License GRANTED for a period of one (1) year with conditions, limitations, accommodations, and restrictions. Said license is immediately revoked and immediately stayed.

OKASINSKI, ROBERT EDWARD, M.D. – Chubbuck, ID (10/27/2010)

WV License No. 18481

Board Conclusion: Unprofessional and unethical conduct, and having his license acted upon in another state.

Board Action: PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED for having his license acted against in another state.

### REVOCATION OF MEDICAL CORPORATION CERTIFICATE

November 8, 2010

Urologists, Inc.

## NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD

Effective October 20, 2010, then Governor Manchin appointed **Kenneth C. Nanners, M.D.**, to serve as a member of the Board. Dr. Nanners is an anesthesiologist who practices in Wheeling, West Virginia, and will serve with a term expiring September 30, 2015.

Effective November 12, 2010, then Governor Manchin appointed **Ahmed Faheem, M.D.**, to serve as a member of the Board. Dr. Faheem is a psychiatrist who practices in Beckley, West Virginia, and will serve with a term expiring September 30, 2014. Dr. Faheem previously served as a member of the Board during the years 1993 to 2004.

We welcome Dr. Nanners and Dr. Faheem to the Board of Medicine.

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## DRUG DISPENSING CERTIFICATES

For those medical doctors and podiatrists who will be renewing a drug dispensing certificate in 2011, remember that the drug dispensing certificate is issued for a specific location. If you change your work address and leave the location for which the drug dispensing certificate is issued and registered, that specific drug dispensing certificate will no longer be considered valid. It will be necessary to make application to the Board for a new drug dispensing certificate for the new location.

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## WHAT HAPPENS TO THE FINES?

Sometimes when a person is disciplined by the Board of Medicine, administrative costs are assessed. Sometimes, a person is fined. By law, administrative costs go to the special account of the Board.

Any fine levied must be deposited in the State of West Virginia General Fund (West Virginia Code § 30-1-8 [a]). Under the West Virginia Constitution, Article 12, Section 5:

The Legislature shall provide for the support of free schools by appropriating thereto the interest of the invested "school fund," the net proceeds of all forfeitures and fines accruing to this State under the laws thereof. . .

**?????DID YOU KNOW?????**

**Tattoos and Body Piercing**

In West Virginia, there is law regulating tattoo studio business, found at West Virginia Code § 30-38-1 through 7. The law has definitions, addresses studio sanitation, operation standards, facilities and equipment, registration requirements with and inspections by local or regional boards of health, disposal of wastes, permit fees, and violations and penalties. The section on operation standards was amended and improved to provide additional consumer protections during the 2010 Legislative Session.

There is a law regulating body piercing studio business, found at West Virginia Code § 30-37-1 through 5. The law has definitions, addresses registration requirements with and inspections by local boards of health, requires the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (WVDHHR) to promulgate a rule addressing safety and sterilization procedures, training and education, waste disposal, etc., which it has done at length, gives power to the local board of health to close the body piercing studio if it is not in compliance with the statute or the rule, and addresses violations and penalties.

In addition to responsibilities of local boards of health, regulation of tattooing and body piercing within WVDHHR is overseen within the Office of Environmental Health Services, Public Health Sanitation Division.

Tattoo removal by laser, ionizing radiation, pulsed light or radiofrequency device is the practice of medicine and surgery under the provisions of West Virginia Code § 30-3-4(3).

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<b>Ext #</b>		
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## CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

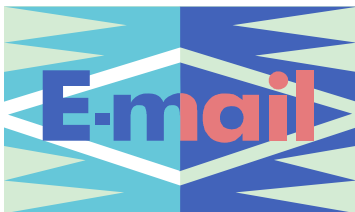
Pursuant to 11 CSR 1B 15, in order to acquire continuing education satisfactory to the Board, a physician assistant shall provide written documentation of participation in and successful completion during the preceding two (2) year period of:

- ◆ A minimum of fifty (50) hours of continuing education designated as Category I by either the American Medical Association, American Academy of Physician Assistants or the Academy of Family Physicians, **AND**
- ◆ fifty (50) hours of continuing education designated as Category II by the association or either academy.
- ◆ The one-hundred (100) hours must include two (2) hours of continuing education coursework in the subject of end-of-life care including pain management, since 2001, as described in W. Va. Code § 30-1-7a.

The written documentation may consist of a current original NCCPA certificate, plus documentation of the two (2) hours of end-of-life care including pain management.

For those individuals who are not NCCPA certified, written documentation shall consist of original certificates from the entities named above, evidencing participation in and successful completion of the Category I fifty (50) hours and the Category II fifty (50) hours both as described above, which one-hundred (100) hours must include two (2) hours of continuing education coursework in the subject of end-of-life care including pain management, since 2001, as described in W. Va. Code § 30-1-7a.

There are no other types or categories of continuing education for physician assistants satisfactory to the Board.



## E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Since the Board is no longer mailing paper copies of its newsletter, it is important that you keep us apprised of your current e-mail address. As licensees of this Board, you are charged with knowledge of the contents of each newsletter.

To provide a current e-mail address, please send an e-mail containing your name and license number to the Board at [wvbomnewsletter@wv.gov](mailto:wvbomnewsletter@wv.gov).

REMEMBER, all newsletters may be accessed at our website at [www.wvbom.wv.gov/newsletter.asp](http://www.wvbom.wv.gov/newsletter.asp). Publication dates are: January, April, July, and October.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LICENSE#: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle) (Suffix)

By law, you must keep this office apprised of any and all address changes. If not currently practicing, check here

**PREFERRED MAILING ADDRESS (Required):**

(This address is public information, except phone & email)

**HOME ADDRESS:**

Check here if same as preferred mailing address

\_\_\_\_\_ Address 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Address 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip, County \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**MAIN WORK ADDRESS:**

Check here if same as preferred mailing address

Enter average weekly on call hours for ALL locations: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Address 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Address 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip, County \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

List **AVERAGE HOURS** worked per week (not on call) at this location:

Direct Patient Care: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Administration: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Formal Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Research: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Medical/Podiatric Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECOND WORK ADDRESS:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Address 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Address 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip, County \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

List **AVERAGE HOURS** worked per week (not on call) at this location:

Direct Patient Care: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Administration: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Formal Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Research: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Medical/Podiatric Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIRD WORK ADDRESS:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Address 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Address 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, Zip, County \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

List **AVERAGE HOURS** worked per week (not on call) at this location:

Direct Patient Care: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Administration: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Formal Teaching: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Research: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Medical/Podiatric Activities: \_\_\_\_\_

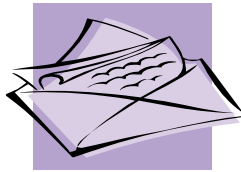
Enter your self-designated primary and secondary SPECIALTY here: (M.D.'s and D.P.M.'s ONLY) Primary Specialty: _____ Secondary Specialty: _____
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LICENSEE'S ORIGINAL SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN FORM TO:** West Virginia Board of Medicine, 101 Dee Drive, Suite 103, Charleston, WV 25311



## CHANGE OF ADDRESS INFORMATION



**NOTE:** There is a Change of Address Form located on Page 8 of this Newsletter. You may also visit the Board's website at [www.wvbom.wv.gov](http://www.wvbom.wv.gov) for a Change of Address Form. By law, a licensee of the Board of Medicine must keep this office apprised of any and all address changes. The preferred mailing address of a licensee is the licensee's address of record, which is public information, with the exception of the telephone number and e-mail address.

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### WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE 2011 MEETINGS

January 10  
March 14  
May 16  
July 11  
September 12  
November 14

All Board meetings begin at 9:00 a.m.