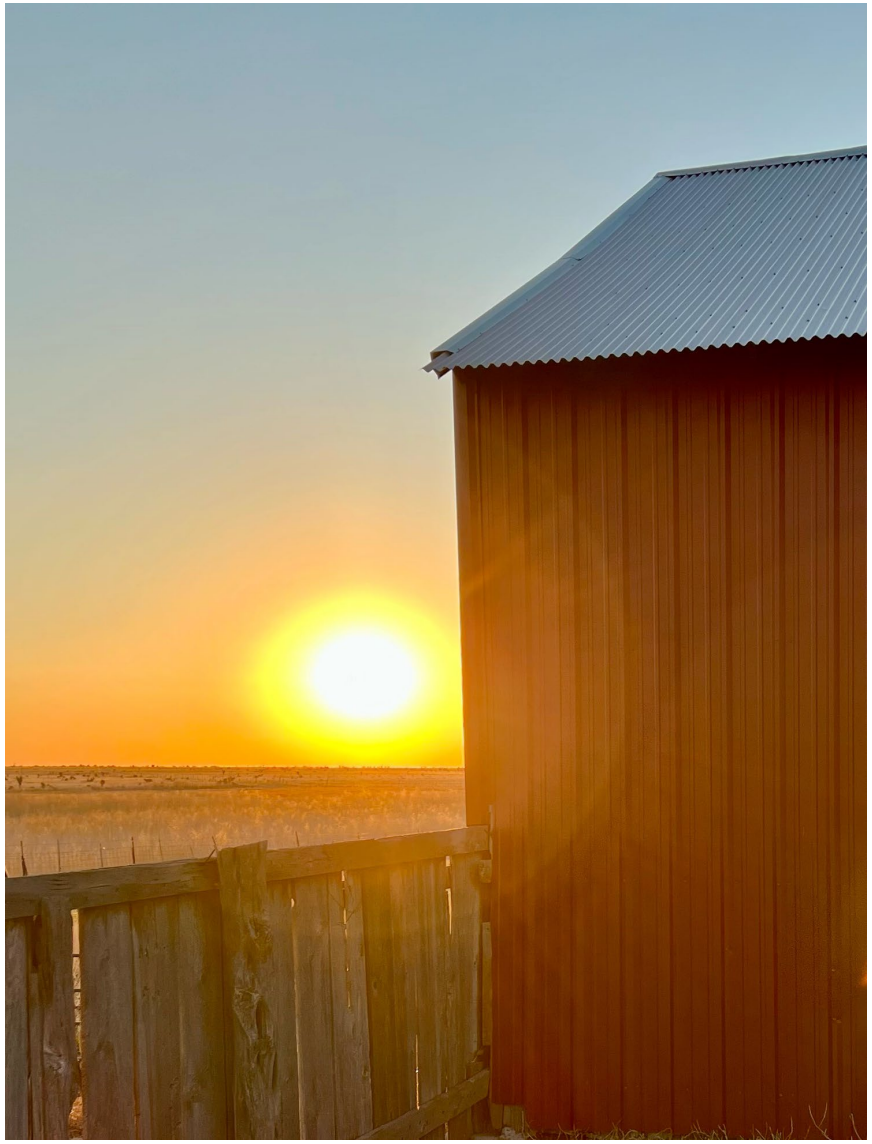


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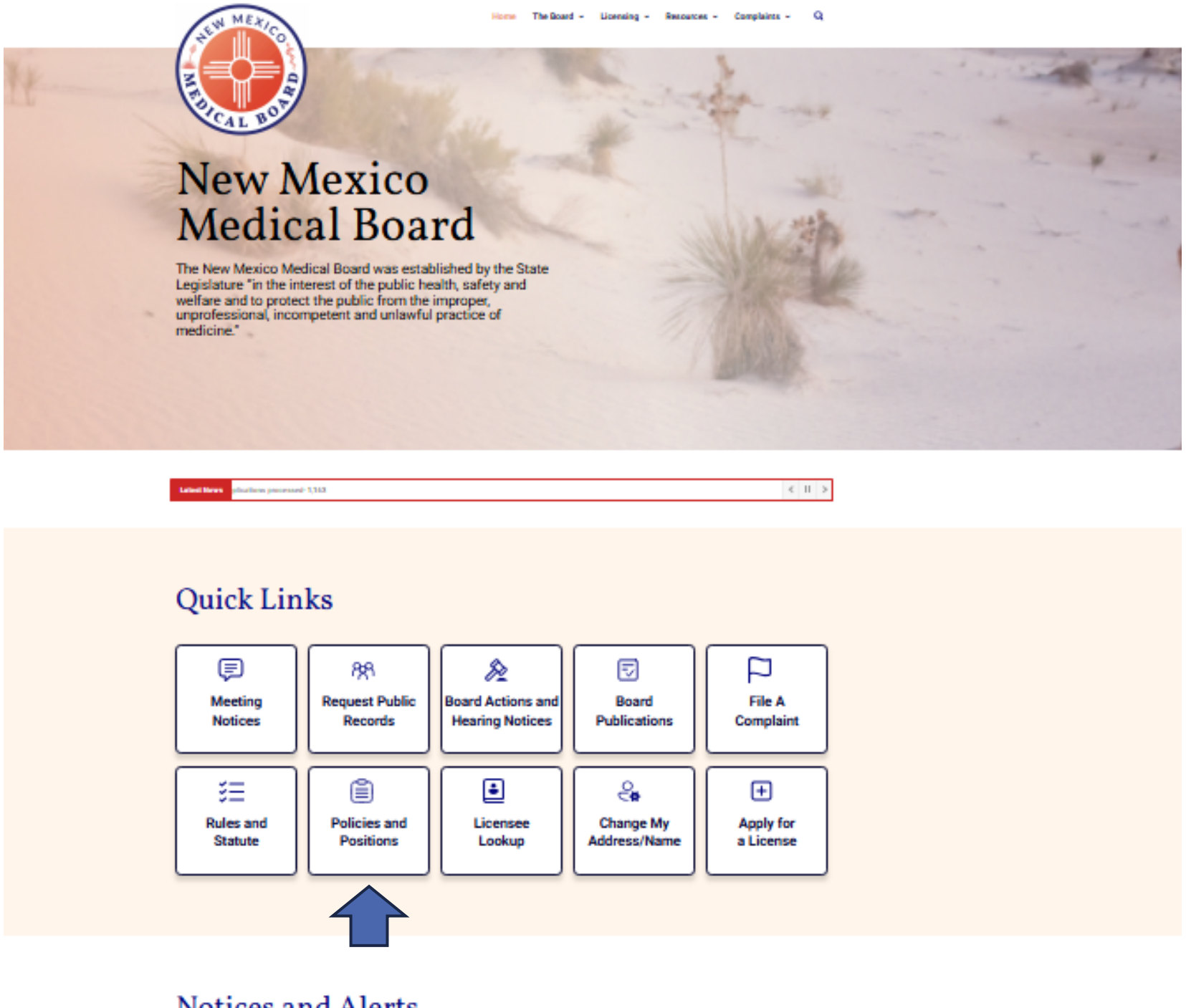
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The “mission” of the Board is to promote excellence in the practice of medicine through licensing, discipline, and rehabilitation.

The NMMB is the state agency responsible for the regulation and licensing of physicians (MDs and DOs), physician assistants, anesthesiologist assistants, genetic counselors, polysomnographic technologists, naprapaths, naturopaths, prescribing psychologists and podiatrists. It is an executive agency supported solely by self-generated fees and is an independent licensing agency that exists outside the Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD).

NMMB Website

www.nmmb.state.nm.gov




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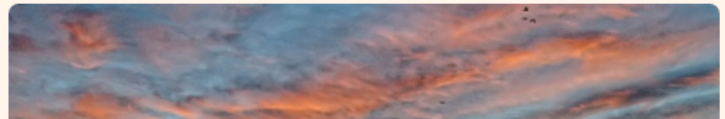
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New Mexico Medical Board Statute



Below you will find links to the text for the state law and rules that govern the practice of medical doctors, physician assistants, naprapaths, sleep techs, anesthesiology assistants, genetic counselors, osteopathic doctors, naturopathic doctors and podiatrists in New Mexico. This information is provided for your convenience and may not be correct, complete or current.

The official text of the Medical Practice Act is available at NMOneSource. Please follow the links to New Mexico Statutes: Statutory Chapters in New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978; Chapter 61 Occupational and Professional Licensing; Article 6, Medicine and Surgery.



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16.10.4.8 HOURS REQUIRED:

A. Seventy-five hours of continuing medical education are required for all medical licenses during each triennial renewal cycle. CME may be earned at any time during the licensing period, July 1 through June 30 immediately preceding the triennial renewal date.

B. One hour of required CME must be earned by reviewing the New Mexico Medical Practice Act and these board rules. Physicians must certify that they have completed this review at the time they submit their triennial renewal application.

C. Continuing medical education is not required for federal emergency, telemedicine, postgraduate training, public service, temporary teaching or youth camp or school licenses.

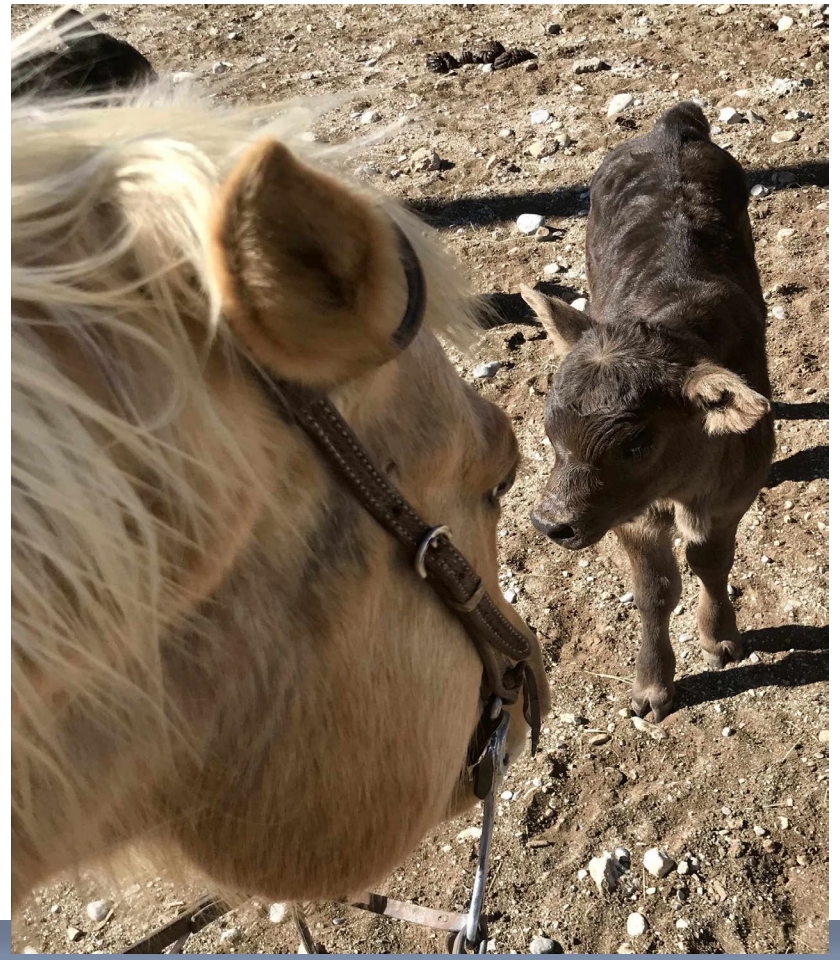
D. The five hours of CME in pain management continuing education set forth in Subsections A and B of 16.10.14.11 NMAC may apply toward the 75 hours required in Subsection A of this section and may be included as part of the required CME hours in pain management in either the triennial cycle in which these hours are completed, or the triennial cycle immediately thereafter. Each subsequent triennial renewal cycle shall include five hours of CME hours in pain management.

[16.10.4.8 NMAC - Rp 16 NMAC 10.4.8, 4/18/2002; A, 4/3/2005; A, 9/27/2007; A, 2/14/2013]

16.10.4.9 CREDIT HOURS: The board accepts one credit hour for every clock hour of participation in a CME activity.

[16.10.4.9 NMAC - N, 4/18/2002]

- **TITLE 16 OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING CHAPTER 10 MEDICINE AND SURGERY PRACTITIONERS**
- **PART 4 CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION**
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Effective 7/2026: One hour of required CME must be earned toward nutrition. This may apply to the 75 hours required.



Ethical Principles in Medical Board Oversight

Avoiding Conflicts of Interest

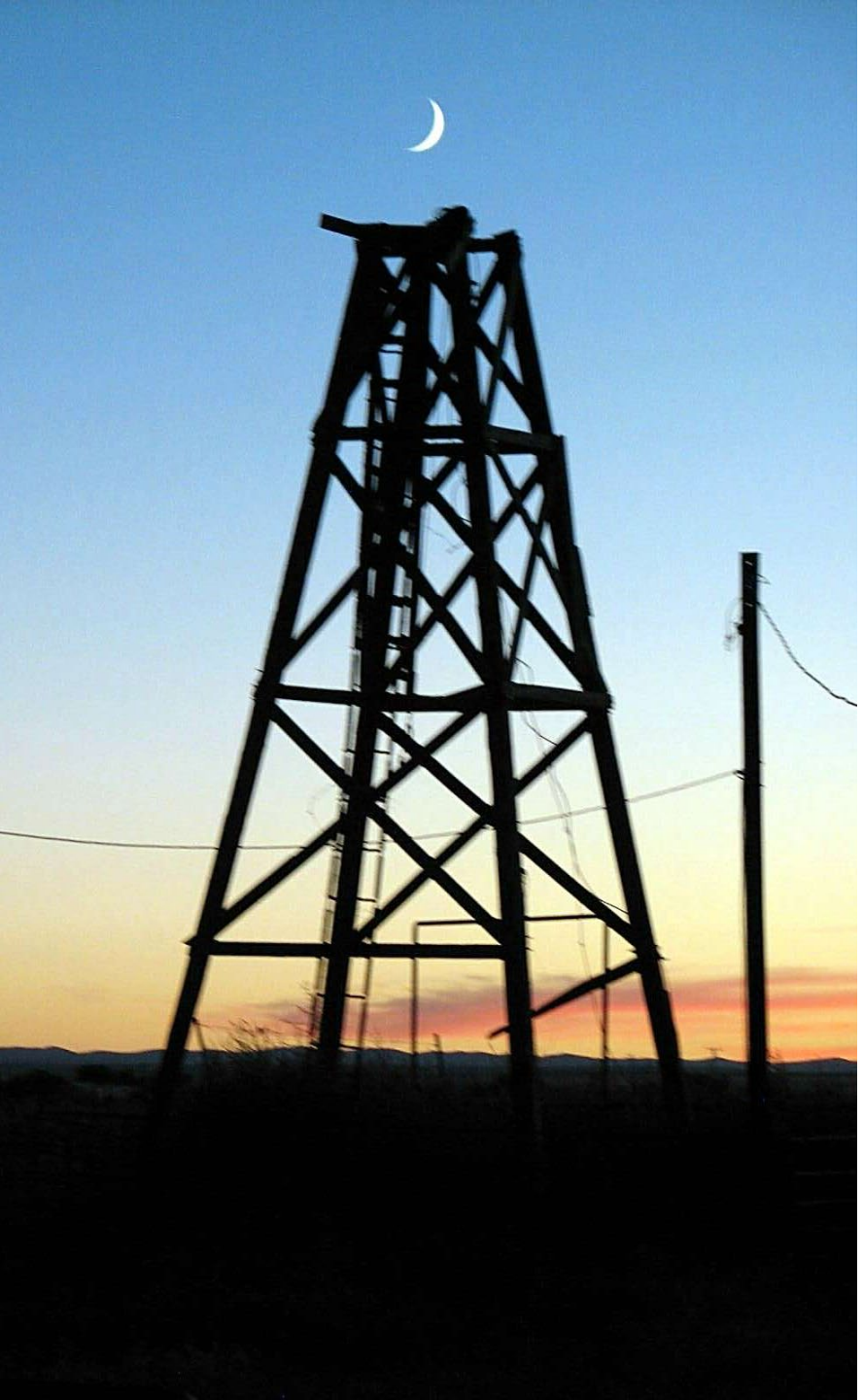
- Physicians must avoid treating themselves or close family when clinical judgment may be compromised.
- The Board enforces AMA Code of Ethics standards that limit self/family treatment and prohibit prescribing controlled substances to oneself or family members except in very limited circumstances.

Confidentiality and Privacy

- Licensees must protect the confidentiality of medical records and patient information.
- Board rules govern acceptable record release, required exceptions, and timely access — balancing ethical privacy obligations with legal requirements.

Integrity, Professionalism, and Duty to Report

- Physicians are expected to maintain honesty and professional conduct.
- Under Board rule 16.10.10.14, licensees must report impaired, incompetent, or unethical colleagues when they have a good-faith belief that patient safety or public health is at risk.



Complaint Guidance for Licensees

- The complaint procedure and institution of disciplinary action is under administrative rule **16.10.6 NMAC : "Complaint Procedure and Institution of Disciplinary Action."** This is the principal administrative rule governing how complaints are handled, investigations are conducted, and actions instituted.

- Under **NMSA 61-6-34**, all records and information in the investigation file are confidential and not available to the public — unless and until the case goes to a formal hearing and/or the Board takes action.

- The Board limits its scope: it can act on violations of the Medical Practice Act or Board rules (e.g., quality of care, prescribing, records, impairment, unprofessional conduct) but it **does not** handle malpractice disputes (unless fraud, misrepresentation or a violation of the Medical Practice Act is alleged) or billing/insurance issues per se.

Licensee Do's and Do Not's if a complaint notification is received:

- DO NOT PANIC. A complaint to a medical board is serious, but it does not necessarily mean the worst.
- DO respond within 30 days.
- DO provide a complete, factual, straightforward response.
- DO provide any records or other information requested with your response.
- DO attempt to answer all the concerns alleged in the complaint.
- DO consult with an attorney if you have legal questions.
- DO check the Board website if you have questions about Rules or Statutes.
- DO contact Board **staff** if you have questions.
- DO NOT speak with Board members about a specific complaint.
- DO NOT ignore a complaint.
- DO NOT wait until the last minute and request an extension.
- DO NOT withhold facts or records.
- DO NOT change records.

New Mexico Medical Board staff are available to answer your questions. Email is the best way to communicate your questions to staff.
Please email: Investigations@nmmb.nm.gov

New Mexico Health Professionals Wellness Program (HPWP)

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https://www.nmhpwp.com

Provides CONFIDENTIAL services statewide for health professionals with substance use, mental health, physical health impairment and workplace issues.

- The Impaired Health Provider Act created this system where both the licensing agency and the individual health professional can obtain assistance for potentially impairing conditions while simultaneously protecting the public.
- Services can be accessed by either voluntarily(self-referred) or via mandatory referral (licensing board or employer) routes.
- Services include assessments, treatment referrals, treatment planning, monitoring, and reporting.
- The NM HPWP program is funded by licensure fees from MD and DO licensure.

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Thank You!