



# MONTANA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

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## News and Views

Read the latest news and find out about the most recent state regulatory changes for your occupation in the Board of Medical Examiners eNewsletter *News and Views*. Here are the Board's picks for important news.

### Health Corps Registration Opens

Retired physicians can now register to participate in the Montana Health Corps. The Montana Health Corps Act (HB 578) was passed during the 2009 legislation session. It brings health care to the homes of individuals who are unable to drive to a health care provider's office and are eligible for Medicare or Medicaid. HB 578 also provided immunity from liability for participating doctors. The Board has adopted administrative rules and guidelines which can be found on Board's website at [www.medicalboard.mt.gov](http://www.medicalboard.mt.gov) along with the application materials.

### Free EMS Medical Director Training

Physicians and Physician Assistants can take advantage of a limited time offer to take a web based EMS Medical Director training course at no cost earning free CE credits. The training covers the essentials of EMS medical oversight and direction. Start the training today at <http://www.medicaldirectoronline.org/>. The training will be available at no cost through the summer of 2010. EMS Medical Directors licensed by the Board of Medical Examiners must complete the training by April 2010.

### Regulatory Changes

The Board of Medical Examiners conducted a periodic review of its administrative rules and will be adopting many rule revisions based on this review and other actions taken at Board meetings. The proposed changes include both administrative and substantive changes and cross all the occupations licensed by the Board. You can view the detailed changes being proposed in MAR Notice 24-156-73 online in Register 24 at [www.mtrules.mt.gov](http://www.mtrules.mt.gov). Not all of the proposed rules will be adopted. Based on comments received the Board did elect to further evaluate rule changes related to PA chart reviews, work experience requirements for PAs practicing in ERs, and the SPEX requirement for physicians.

### Time to renew

The online renewal process for physicians and EMTs will begin January 29. Licensees with licenses set to expire in 2010 will get a renewal notice in the mail. Wonder when your license expires? You can easily search for your information on [www.LicenseLookup.mt.gov](http://www.LicenseLookup.mt.gov).

### FSMB Website Includes Haiti Recovery Resources

With the devastating situation unfolding in Haiti, the Federation of State Medical Boards created a web page of resources and information related to this situation at [www.fsmb.org/haiti.html](http://www.fsmb.org/haiti.html). The site will be updated as new information becomes available.

### Licensing Information at Your Fingertips

Licensing and regulatory information is just a click away at [www.medicalboard.mt.gov](http://www.medicalboard.mt.gov). Check out the Board of Medical Examiner website and see what is happening at board meetings, get answers to your questions, and research the laws and regulations related to your occupation.

#### Join us

##### 2010 Board meetings

March 19                      May 21  
July 23                        September 17  
November 19

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