



# MONTANA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

## BOARD STATISTICS FOR MARCH-APRIL 2015:

License Type	Applications Received	Licenses Issued*
Acupuncturist	1	1
ECP (All Levels)	161	117
Nutritionist	6	6
Physician	125	82
Physician Assistant	10	7
Podiatrist	2	2
Resident Physician	1	4
Telemedicine Practitioner	11	3

\*Not necessarily from applications received during same time period.

## ACTIONS FROM THE BOARD'S MAY 14-15, 2015 MEETING:

- The Board extended the temporary license of a Physician by request.
- The Board dismissed one unlicensed practice complaint without prejudice.
- The Board made the following decisions on license applications:
  - \*Licenses granted—3 Physician, 2 EMT, 1 Nutritionist
  - \*Licenses approved pending receipt of more information—2 Physicians, 1 EMT
  - \*Licenses tabled—1 Physician
- The Board's Adjudication Panel approved the following final orders:
  - \*Revocations--
  - \*Suspensions—
  - \*Reinstatement—1 Physician pending the receipt of information

*To receive Board Action Reporting Forms of disciplinary actions by the Medical Board, contact LaVelle Potter at [lpotter@mt.gov](mailto:lpotter@mt.gov)*

## OTHER BOARD-RELATED NEWS:

- The Montana Academy of Physician Assistants' new liaison to the Board, Katherine Tetrault PA-C, attended her first meeting on May 14-15. Welcome, Katherine!
- The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact has become official with 7 states agreeing to enter it. Montana is one of the "group of 7." The Board will recommend that Dr. James Feist of Bozeman and Executive Officer Ian Marquand be appointed to the Compact Commission and represent the Board and the State of Montana in that organization. Governor Steve Bullock will make the final decision on appointments.

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### Secretary

James Feist, MD

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### Physician Assistant

Dwight Thompson, PA-C

### Podiatrist

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### MT Academy of Physician Assistants Liaison

Katherine Tetrault, PA-C

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## NEWS FROM THE BOME—June 2015

### OTHER BOARD-RELATED NEWS (cont.):

- The Board held a dialogue with enforcement officials from the Billings office of the Drug Enforcement Administration. The DEA and the Board both encourage prescribers, especially Physicians, to make use of the Montana Prescription Drug Registry. Visit [www.mpdr.mt.gov](http://www.mpdr.mt.gov) for information or to register.
- The Board approved protocols and scoring criteria for Emergency Care Provider examinations, as recommended by the Medical Direction Committee. The Board's Medical Director, Dr. Harry Sibold, and ECP Education Coordinator Ken Threet, will provide more information on the new exams.
- The Board received its national "Best of Boards" award from Administrators in Medicine—an "Honorable Mention" for the Board's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration held in September of 2014. The award was presented to the Board's Executive Officer, Ian Marquand, in April at the AIM national meeting in Ft. Worth, Texas.
- Upcoming Board Committee meetings/conference calls:
  - \*Medical Direction—Tuesday, June 16 at 9:00 a.m.
  - \*Laws and Rules—Thursday, July 16 at 9:00 a.m.

**The Board's next meeting will be Friday, July 17, 2015 at 301 S. Park Ave. in Helena. Information and agendas for Board meetings (including committee meetings) are at: [www.medicalboard.mt.gov](http://www.medicalboard.mt.gov)**