



WHAT IS THE OREGON MEDICAL BOARD

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The Oregon Medical Board (OMB) is a state agency that licenses and regulates physicians in the State of Oregon. The Board's mission is to protect the public by ensuring that only qualified and competent physicians are licensed to practice medicine in the State. The Board accomplishes that by setting standards for medical education and training, assessing physician competence, and disciplining licensees who violate the Board's standards.

The OMB is comprised of seven members: four physicians and three public members who are not physicians. The Board members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Oregon Senate.

What Authority Does the OMB Have?

The Oregon Medical Board has the authority to investigate complaints against licensed physicians. When the Board receives a complaint, it will review the complaint to determine if there is enough evidence to warrant an investigation.

If the Board decides to investigate, they will gather evidence and then make a determination as to whether or not the physician violated any standards. If the Board finds that the physician violated standards, it may take disciplinary action against the physician, which can range from a warning to revocation of the license.

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Do I Need a Lawyer to Help Me Navigate an Investigation?

While you are not required to have a lawyer represent you during an OMB investigation, it is often in your best interest to do so. An experienced attorney can help you:

- Understand the investigation process;
- Prepare for interviews with investigators;
- Gather evidence to support your defense; and
- Negotiate with the Board on your behalf.

Additionally, a lawyer can represent you at hearings and assist you in appealing any disciplinary action that may be taken against you.

If you are facing an investigation or have been threatened with disciplinary action by the OMB, contact an experienced attorney today to learn more about your rights and how to protect them.

What Type of Adverse Actions or Sanctions Can OMB Take Against My Medical License?

The Oregon Medical Board has a few different disciplinary actions it can take against your license, depending on the severity of the violation. Some of the possible disciplinary actions include: (1) warning, (2) reprimand, (3) probation, (4) suspension, or (5) revocation.

The OMB can also require you to take additional training, exams, or courses as a

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condition of continued licensure.

Facing an OMB Investigation or Disciplinary Action?

At times, the actions of the Oregon Medical Board may seem unfair or unjust. If you are facing investigation or disciplinary action by the Board, it is important to remember that you have rights and options. An experienced attorney can help you navigate the investigation process and defend your license. Don't go through it alone – contact Athan Law today at (509) 215-4679.

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