

Vermont Board of Medical Practice – Physician Opening

Currently there is an opening for a physician (MD) member on the Vermont Board of Medical Practice. The person appointed will be part of the Central Investigative Committee; members of the Central Committee are from Washington, Lamoille, Orange, Caledonia, and all but the southern part of Windsor County. For anyone who is interested but not from the Central Vermont region, there will be additional openings for MD members in the northern and southern regions in coming months.

Board members attend two meetings per month. The full Board meets once, usually on the first Wednesday of the month. The Central Committee meets on the Friday of the week following the Board meeting. Meetings typically last about two to three hours. Prior to the pandemic members travelled to meetings, but now most meetings take place virtually. Members receive \$50 per diem for days they participate in meetings and, when meetings are held in person, reimbursement for mileage.

Members are appointed by the Governor for 5-year terms. Most members request to be reappointed for a second term. Physician members must have an active Vermont medical license.

There are also openings now for public members in the central and southern regions. Public members are voting members of the Board and, per Vermont law, must be “persons not associated with the medical field.” That requirement has been interpreted to exclude family members of physicians as well as non-clinicians who work in medical settings. Otherwise, there are no special qualifications for public members apart from being interested in public service and being a Vermont resident. The Board appreciates assistance in getting the word out about these openings.

More information about serving is available online at:

https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2016/12/BMP_Articles_Serving%20on%20the%20Board%207.17.13_0.pdf and

https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2016/12/BMP_Articles_Complaints_Investigation%20Process.pdf.

Anyone with questions about serving is encouraged to contact the Board by calling 802-457-4220 or emailing ahs.vdhmedicalboard@vermont.gov. For anyone ready to apply, you can access the application by visiting the Governor’s website at: <https://governor.vermont.gov/boards-commissions>.