

# WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHY

# NEWSLETTER

May 6, 2002

For your reference, the Rules that govern the Board can be reviewed on the Internet at:

[www.state.wv.us/csr](http://www.state.wv.us/csr)

Title 24-Series 1:Osteopathic Physicians

Title 24-Series 2:Osteopathic PAs

Title 24-Series 3:Contested Case Hearing Procedure

Title 24-Series 4: PLLC

Title 24 Series 5:Fees

Title 24 Series 6:Disciplinary/Complaint Procedure

The West Virginia State Code §30-14 and §30-14A can be referenced at:

[www.legis.state.wv.us](http://www.legis.state.wv.us)

**PLLC ANNUAL RENEWALS:** Renewal forms are not sent! You are required by law to submit to our office (before June 30) a copy of your Annual Report that is filed with the Secretary of State's office on or before April 1; and a check in the amount of \$100.00. If your PLLC has been dissolved, we must receive a copy of the dissolution papers.

### **VERIFICATIONS:**

All requests for license verifications must be submitted in writing and include payment in the amount of \$25.00 per verification.

### **MISCELLANEOUS:**

If you have some spare time, send the Board office a message to: [bdosteo@mail.wvnet.edu](mailto:bdosteo@mail.wvnet.edu)

Our website can be found at:

[www.state.wv.us/bdosteo](http://www.state.wv.us/bdosteo)

### **\*\*\*JUST A REMINDER\*\*\***

Every person licensed to practice medicine and surgery as an osteopathic physician and surgeon or certified as an osteopathic physician assistant is required to complete two hours of CME in end-of-life care including pain management during each license renewal period. If you do not have these 2 hours, you may log onto the Internet at: [tafp.org](http://tafp.org) (Ethics & end of life care – 1 hour); or [cmeweb.com/cgi-bin](http://cmeweb.com/cgi-bin) (Caring at end of life). WVU can also provide a video for this coursework. You may contact the Office of CE at 304-293-3937, visit the website at [www.cme.wvu.edu](http://www.cme.wvu.edu) or e-mail them at [cme@wvu.edu](mailto:cme@wvu.edu).

**\*\*\*Remember to send verification\*\*\***

**\*\*\*with your license renewal\*\*\***

**SUPERVISING A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT:** The Board must be notified in writing by the supervising osteopathic physician of any termination of employment of the physician assistant within 10 days of the termination. (§24-2-2.8.2)

**ADVERTISING:** According to §61-10-21, "It shall be unlawful for any person to use the prefix "Doctor" or "Dr." in connection with his name in any letter, business card, advertisement, sign or public display of any nature whatsoever, without affixing thereto suitable words or letters designating the degree which he holds."

**KNOW YOUR RULES:** Unknowingly, a physician can have action taken against his license if you "failed to keep written records justifying the course of treatment of the patient, including, but not limited to, patient histories, examination results and test results and treatment rendered, if any." For further guidelines, you may refer to §24-1-18.

**\*\*\*Use extra caution regarding friends and family.\*\*\***

**LICENSE RENEWALS ARE DUE BY JUNE 30, 2002.**

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