

**Chapter 08.64. MEDICINE****Article 01. STATE MEDICAL BOARD****Sec. 08.64.010. Creation and membership of State Medical Board.**

The governor shall appoint a board of medical examiners, to be known as the State Medical Board, consisting of five physicians licensed in the state and residing in as many separate geographical areas of the state as possible, one physician assistant licensed under AS 08.64.107, and two persons with no direct financial interest in the health care industry.

Sec. 08.64.020. Term of office. [Repealed, Sec. 49 ch 94 SLA 1987. For current law, see AS 08.01.035].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 08.64.030. Substitution of members. [Repealed, Sec. 19 ch 48 SLA 1983].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 08.64.040. Removal of members. [Repealed, Sec. 49 ch 94 SLA 1987. For current law, see AS 08.01.020].

Repealed or Renumbered

Sec. 08.64.050. Oath of office.

Each member shall take an oath of office. The oath shall be filed and preserved in the department.

Sec. 08.64.060. Seal.

The board shall adopt a seal.

Sec. 08.64.070. Officers.

The board shall elect a president and secretary from among its members. The president and secretary may administer oaths.

Sec. 08.64.075. Designees.

If this chapter authorizes a designee to perform a duty, the board may designate a single board member, the executive secretary, or another employee of the department.

Sec. 08.64.080. Meetings of board. [Repealed, Sec. 3 ch 59 SLA 1966].

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Sec. 08.64.085. Meetings of the board.

The board shall meet at least four times a year.

Sec. 08.64.090. Quorum.

Five members of the board constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business properly before the board.

Sec. 08.64.100. Power of board to adopt regulations.

The board may adopt regulations necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 08.64.101. Duties.

The board shall

- (1) examine and issue licenses to applicants;

(2) develop written guidelines to ensure that licensing requirements are not unreasonably burdensome and the issuance of licenses is not unreasonably withheld or delayed;

(3) after a hearing, impose disciplinary sanctions on persons who violate this chapter or the regulations or orders of the board;

(4) adopt regulations ensuring that renewal of licenses is contingent upon proof of continued competency on the part of the licensee; and

(5) under regulations adopted by the board, contract with private professional organizations to establish an impaired medical professionals program to identify, confront, evaluate, and treat persons licensed under this chapter who abuse alcohol, other drugs, or other substances or are mentally ill or cognitively impaired.

Sec. 08.64.103. Investigator; executive secretary.

After consulting with the board, the department shall employ two persons who are not members of the board; one shall be assigned as the investigator for the board; the other shall be assigned as the executive secretary for the board. The investigator shall

(1) conduct investigations into alleged violations of this chapter and into alleged violations of regulations and orders of the board;

(2) at the request of the board, conduct investigations based on complaints filed with the department or with the board; and

(3) be directly responsible and accountable to the board, except that only the department has authority to terminate the investigator's employment and the department shall provide day to day and administrative supervision of the investigator.

Sec. 08.64.105. Regulation of abortion procedures.

The board shall adopt regulations necessary to carry into effect the provisions of AS 18.16.010 and shall define ethical, unprofessional, or dishonorable conduct as related to abortions, set standards of professional competency in the performance of abortions, and establish procedures and set standards for facilities, equipment, and care of patients in the performance of an abortion.

Sec. 08.64.107. Regulation of physician assistants and intensive care paramedics.

The board shall adopt regulations regarding the licensure of physician assistants and registration of mobile intensive care paramedics, and the medical services that they may perform, including the

(1) educational and other qualifications;

(2) application and registration procedures;

(3) scope of activities authorized; and

(4) responsibilities of the supervising or training physician.

Sec. 08.64.110. Per diem and expenses.

The members of the board are entitled to per diem and expenses authorized by law.

Sec. 08.64.120. Coverage of funds and warrants for expenses. [Repealed, Sec. 3 ch 59 S.L.A. 1966].

Repealed or Renumbered

