

BOARD OF MEDICINE

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<i>Name</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Term Ending</i>
Siroos Shirazi, Chair	Iowa City	April 30, 2012
Tom Drew.....	Des Moines	April 30, 2010
Janice Galli	Sioux City	April 30, 2011
Analisa Haberman.....	Mason City	April 30, 2012
Yasyn Lee.....	Dubuque.....	April 30, 2010
Ambreen Mian.....	Ames	April 30, 2012
Jeffrey Snyder	Crescent	April 30, 2010
Colleen Stockdale.....	Iowa City	April 30, 2010
Paul Thurlow	Dubuque.....	April 30, 2011
Rodney Zeitler.....	Iowa City	April 30, 2011

The Board of Medical Examiners was created by the General Assembly in 1886. The Board of Osteopathic Examiners was established in 1907. These two agencies became a composite Board of Medical Examiners by action of the General Assembly in 1963. In 2007 the General Assembly changed the board's name to the Board of Medicine. Board members are appointed by the Governor for three-year terms, with confirmation by the Senate. The board is composed of 10 members – five medical physicians, two osteopathic physicians, and three nonphysician public members. In addition, the board can have up to 10 alternate members who can serve on administrative panels in contested case hearings. The board has six regularly scheduled meetings annually at its office at 400 SW Eighth Street, Des Moines, and six regularly scheduled teleconference meetings annually. The board is responsible for administering and enforcing state laws and administrative rules governing the licensure and practice of medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, and licensed acupuncturists. More information is available at the board's website, www.medicalboard.iowa.gov.

The board issues licenses based on the results of two three-part national examinations: USMLE for medical doctors and osteopathic physicians and surgeons or COMLEX for osteopathic physicians and surgeons. The board also determines the eligibility of physicians for licensure by endorsement of examination scores, and issues resident physician licenses, as well as temporary and special licenses.

The board is empowered with the duty and responsibility of licensee discipline, which involves the investigation of complaints or liability claims, review of evidence, initiation and prosecution of disciplinary proceedings, and imposition of license discipline. The board is authorized to operate the Iowa Physician Health Program, a voluntary program for monitoring recovery/rehabilitation of impaired physicians. More information on this program is available at <http://iphp.iowa.gov>. The board may, if necessary, petition the district court for enforcement of its authority. The board registers and establishes peer review committees to investigate and report on the evaluation of certain complaints or other evidence of acts or omissions possibly constituting cause for licensee discipline. The board issues license renewals and certifications for licensure in other jurisdictions and determines requirements for continuing medical education.

The board is responsible for evaluating applications and issuing licenses to qualified acupuncturists. Persons who hold a valid Iowa license to practice medicine and surgery, osteopathic medicine and surgery, chiropractic, podiatry, or dentistry may engage in the practice of acupuncture without registration issued by the board.

BOARD OF NURSING

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Lorinda Inman, Executive Director