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Nevada Osteopathic Medicine Board waives initial licensing fees

<u>Las Vegas, NV.</u> The Nevada Board of Osteopathic Medicine today unanimously voted to waive licensing fees for new licensees. The one-time waiver is for any new Nevada license under the purview the Board, including physicians and physician assistants.

"We know Nevada has health care provider shortages and through keeping our board staff small and watching the budget, we are excited to offer this fee waiver to first time licensees," said board president Ronald Hedger, D.O.

Hedger, who is a family medicine doctor in Henderson, Nevada praised board member Carla Perlotto, Ph.D., who suggested the waiver.

"We keep seeing statistics about Nevada being near the bottom of the list for physician to patient ratio, so we worked with board staff and legal counsel to figure out what we could do," explained Perlotto. "When you are just starting out, whether you are a brand-new licensee or relocating from another state, every dollar counts."

The newly adopted policy is effective immediately with the fee waiver going into effect July 1, 2022.