

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE NEWSLETTER

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NEW LICENSE DATABASE SYSTEM NOTICE REGARDING USE OF TEMPLATES BOARD CHANGES INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF NEW LICENSEE PORTAL



BOARD'S NEW LICENSE DATABASE SYSTEM IS NOW ACTIVE

The Board's new Thentia license database system's Application portal and Licensee portal are now active. Thentia is a company used by many licensing boards in Nevada and throughout the country. The goal of the new system is to implement a more user-friendly interface for licensees, staff, the Board and the public. Recently all licensees should have received an email regarding renewal of their license for 2024.

Several features of the new licensing system include the following: 1) licensees will create and manage their own accounts (including initial applications and renewals); 2) pay all fees on the website; and, 3) facilitate staff administrative tasks, such as running reports and managing complaints and other documents.

NOTE: Be advised that licensees are now required to upload and manage CME certificates every year prior to the end of each renewal year and licensees will be able to track credits!!!! Also, for your reference, instructions for use of the new Licensee portal are attached to the end of this Newsletter.

Reminder-Physician Assistant Precautionary Note!

Physician Assistants licensed in the State of Nevada, as well as most other states, are **NOT** legally allowed to use the title "Physician Associate" that is currently approved/adopted for discussion and research by the American Academy of Physician Assistants. According to AAPC, ARC-PA and other PA organizations, it is not recommended that this title be used by the PA until it has been officially adopted through studies and state regulation changes. The AAPC goes on to say that this process is expected to take up to 5 years to move forward. Utilizing the title of Physician Associate is a violation of State statute and could subject the PA that officially utilizes this title in their practice to disciplinary action by the Board for misrepresentation to patients.

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BOARD CHANGES!

Board: Andrea Weed, D.O., was appointed by Governor Lombardo to the Board on October 1, 2023. We extend a hearty welcome to Dr. Weed.

Daniel Curtis, D.O., and Samir Pancholi, D.O., ended their years of service to the Board on September 13, 2023. The Board appreciates their service to the Board and wishes them well.

Mission: The Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine's mission is to protect and safeguard the public by licensing and disciplining well-educated and competent Doctors of Osteopathy and Physician Assistants.

**CURRENT MEMBER LIST-
INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE
COMPACT (IMLC)**

- NEVADA
- ALABAMA
- ARIZONA
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- SOUTH DAKOTA
- TENNESSEE
- TEXAS
- UTAH
- VERMONT
- WASHINGTON
- WEST VIRGINIA
- WISCONSIN
- WYOMING

**UPCOMING
BOARD MEETINGS**

November 7, 2023
December 12, 2023
January 9, 2024
February 13, 2024
March 12, 2024
April 9, 2024

License Application Numbers

January – June 2023
DO - 159
PA - 28
Residents – 143
Other Special - 0
Compact (IMLC) - 80
Total Active - 2899

Enforcement Stats: Jan - June 2023

Complaints - 76
Settlement Agreements - 2
Letters of Caution Issued - 14
Complaints Closed - 36
Fulfilled (Completed) Agreements - 1

Complaint Types*: Jan – June 2023

Medical Malpractice – 11
Prescribing – 4
Standard of Care – 46
Unprofessional Conduct General – 36
 Medical Records – 3
 Death Certificate Signing – 1
 Terminating a patient - 2
Non – Reporting – 0
Other – 2

*Some types of complaints overlap

**BOARD ISSUES NOTICE REGARDING USE/MISUSE OF
TEMPLATES IN MEDICAL RECORDS**

The Board is aware that many licensees use templates in the creation of their medical records. A template is nothing more than boilerplate written by a third party or "expert" to input clinical data. The rigidity of templates results in a series of fundamental problems that crop up during everyday use.

The Board recognizes that oftentimes templates force licensees to constantly regulate and change their style of practice to that of a cookie-cutter, one-size-fits-all approach. Be advised that use of a template in a medical record that does not accurately and fully reflect the clinical data obtained by the licensee from the patient may constitute the creation of a false medical record and may be deemed to fall below the standard of care. Notice is hereby given that such use may result in disciplinary action against the licensee.

CME Requirements Refresher (DO and PA)

Effective January 1, 2022, every two (2) years, psychiatrists and physician assistants working under the supervision of psychiatrists must complete two (2) hours of Cultural Competency and Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion.

DO: a) 35 hours (credits) with at least ten (10) AOA 1A or AMA 1 hours (credits) which must include two (2) credits in misuse/abuse of controlled substances, opioid prescribing or addiction.

b) Suicide Prevention: DOs must obtain two (2) hours (credits) in suicide prevention within two (2) years of being licensed and repeated every four (4) years thereafter.

c) Even-numbered years: two (2) hours (credits) in one of the following: ethics, pain management, or addiction

d) Preceptorship credits may be applied to the required 35 annual CME credits.

Note: The annual NOMA conference does not fulfill the CME credit requirement if a total of **35 hours** (credits) are not earned for that conference.

PA: 20 hours (credits) of annual continuing medical education including completion of at least **two (2) hours** (credits) in the misuse and abuse of controlled substances, the prescribing of opioids or addiction.

For more info go to:

<http://nsbom.org/LicensingPublic/licensurecompact.jsp>;

To apply for an IMLC medical license (DOs only):

<http://www.imlcc.org/>

Closing your practice or discharging a patient?

The statutes/regulations require practitioners to notify the Board in writing 30 days before closing or changing a practice. See NRS 633.291; NAC 633.260(1)(2) for full details.

NOTE: Practitioners must notify patients of any practice changes (addresses or closings) per NRS 633.511.1(n) and NAC 633.070.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

CME AUDIT PROCESS

The Continuing Medical Education (CME) Audit Policy has been revised. See below.

- 1) CME audits will remain random, with the goal of all licensees being audited at least once every five (5) years, possibly more depending on the random choice;
- 2) CME fines are NO longer charged for those with deficient CME credits;
- 3) Audited licensees must prove they took all required CMEs for the previous year to renew their license; and,
- 4) If proof is not provided after receiving a final notification letter for renewal, a licensee's license will automatically expire pursuant to the provisions of NRS 633.481 and NAC 633.257(1).

See updated approved CME policy [here](#).

TO ALL LICENSEES: Remember to provide to the Board either your residence address or regularly checked P.O. Box number to ensure receiving important mail from the Board. **BUSINESS, PRACTICE OR LICENSING CREDENTIALLING OFFICE ADDRESSES ARE NOT TO BE USED** as they are not reliable destinations to receive or manage mail.

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SUPERVISION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

NOTE: ALL physician assistants MUST be supervised IN PERSON for the first 30 days of working with every Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine with whom they have a cooperating agreement. The statute, NRS 633.469(3), states: "A supervising osteopathic physician shall provide supervision to his or her physician assistant in person at all times during the first 30 days that the supervising osteopathic physician supervises the physician assistant. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a federally qualified health center." Additionally, Regulation NAC 633.289(3)(a) states: "Except as otherwise provided in NRS 633.469, a supervising physician shall provide supervision in person at least once each month to the physician assistant."

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VETERAN SERVICES

AB 300 (2019 NV Legislative Session) provides for the outreach, education and expansion of information to veterans for service-connected disabilities and diseases, along with providing a statewide information/referral information system. The information below is also available on the Board's web site under "Veterans Services."

Understanding Presumptive Conditions:

<http://nsbom.org/LicensingPublic/docs/Presumptive%20Conditions%20-%20Veterans%20Services.pdf>

Types of Presumptive Conditions and Resources:

<http://nsbom.org/LicensingPublic/docs/Types%20of%20Presumptive%20Conditions.pdf>

Substance Use Disorders and Addiction Education to Meet New DEA Requirements

On December 29, 2022, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 enacted a new one-time requirement which **goes into effect as of June 27, 2023** for any Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)-registered practitioner (except for veterinarians) to complete eight hours of training “on the treatment and management of patients with opioid or other substance use disorders.”

Many U.S. states already require physicians and other medical professionals to complete CME hours on safer prescribing of opioids. This new requirement asks physicians to have additional education on the treatment and management of patients with opioid or other substance use disorders.

If you have not met this specific eight-hour training requirement yet, the deadline to do so is the date of a practitioner’s next scheduled DEA registration submission.

OCCUPATIONAL RESOURCES

Nevada Osteopathic Medical Association (NOMA)

2245 Springdale Court, Reno, NV 89523

(855) 888-NOMA

www.nevadaosteopathic.org

Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB)

www.fsmb.org

Opioid and Pain Management Resource Web Page

<http://www.fsmb.org/opioids/>

American Osteopathic Association

<https://www.osteopathic.org/Pages/default.aspx>

DO YOU HAVE NEWSLETTER TOPIC SUGGESTIONS?

Please email Frank DiMaggio at:

fdimaggio@bom.nv.gov

PLEASE NOTE: The contents of this newsletter constitute official notice from the Board to its licensees. All licensees are responsible to read and understand the contents of this newsletter.

NEVADA OSTEOPATHIC BOARD Licensee Instruction Guide -



Nevada State
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Licensee Portal

[Sign In](#)

[Forgot Password](#)

New to this site? [Activate now](#)



Getting Started Access & Logging In

This quick start guide shows how to quickly gain access and start using the Board's new licensing system (Thentia Cloud).

To access the Thentia Cloud Platform, a user needs internet access, a web browser and login credentials. *Please use Chrome, Edge, or Firefox as your browser. DO NOT use Internet Explorer.

Users can access Thentia Cloud from their desktop/laptop or tablet device.

Licensees may:

- **Renew licenses**
- **Update personal & professional information, including addresses, telephone numbers, and email address)**
- **Submit a Name Change**
- **Upload continuing medical education certificates, and more!**

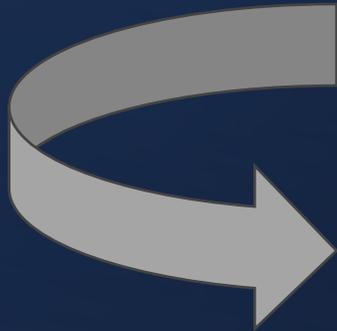
Step 1: Select *Licensee Portal* under Online Services On the Licensee Services Tab

Online Services

Use the Application Portal to apply for a new license or to check the status of your application. Use the Licensee Portal to renew your license or change your address.

[Application Portal](#)

[Licensee Portal](#)



The screenshot shows the login interface for the Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine. On the left is the official seal of the state, featuring a landscape with a sun, mountains, and a river, surrounded by the text 'THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEVADA' and 'CALL FOR OUR COUNTRY'. To the right of the seal is the text 'Nevada State Board of Osteopathic Medicine'. The main content area is titled 'Licensee Portal' and contains two input fields: 'Email or License Number' and 'Password'. Below the fields are two buttons: 'Sign In' (in blue) and 'Forgot Password'. At the bottom, there is a link for 'New to this site? Activate now'.

Step 2: Create a New User Account



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Licensee Portal

[Sign In](#)[Forgot Password](#)

New to this site? [Activate now](#)

Click – New to this site? Activate Now

***Note: Please use email address that is on file with the Board.**

Step 3: Check your Email



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Check your e-mail!

We've sent you an e-mail to activate your account. Have a look and follow the instructions to access to your account.

Didn't receive the e-mail?

Please check your junk/spam inbox and add noreply@thentia.com and osteobom.nv.gov to your safe senders e-mail list.

[Return to login](#)

- A system generated password has been sent to your email address.
- Click Return to login

Step 4: Get Temporary Password

Copy temporary password from your email

To nvdotest1
From noreply@thentiacloud.com
Sending IP 168.245.113.94
Received 2023-09-20 11:42:21

 Delete

[HTML](#) [JSON](#) [RAW](#) [LINKS](#) [SMTP_LOG](#) [ATTACHMENTS](#)

Thentia Cloud - Account Created

You have created an account on a Thentia Cloud Portal using this e-mail address and the system has generated a temporary password for you. When prompted online, enter the following password to complete your login:

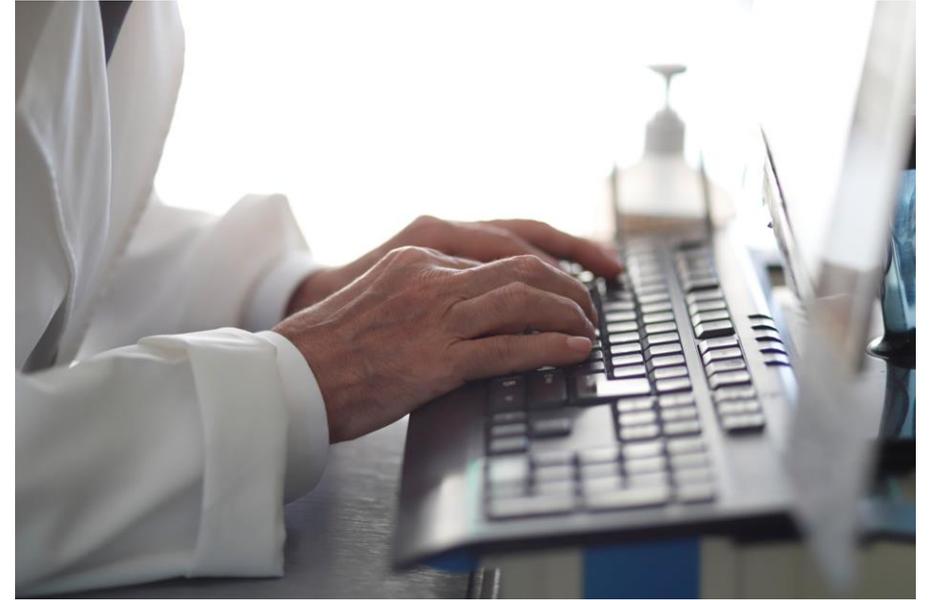
zddtrukmeor

It is important that you change your password now to maintain the security of your account. You can accomplish this by logging in to the system. You will be prompted to create a new password upon login.

Thentia Cloud
<https://support.thentia.com/>

Step 5: Enter Email & Temporary Password

- Return to the Applicant Portal.
- Enter your email and temporary password.
- Click Sign In



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Licensee Portal

Sign In

Forgot Password

New to this site? [Activate now](#)

Step 6: Account Authentication



- **Select three security questions.**
- **Create three answers.**
- **Click Submit**

Two-Stage Authentication: Security Questions

To help protect the privacy of your account, please select three questions below and provide their corresponding answers.

Security question 1 *

Select...

Answer *

Security question 2 *

Select...

Answer *

Security question 3 *

Select...

Answer *

Submit

Step 7: Create New Password

- Enter new password
- Confirm password
- Click Submit

Password Reset

To help protect the privacy of your account, please provide a new password and confirm it below. Your new password must be at least 8 characters, contain a minimum of one upper case letter, one number, and one special character. Your new password must not contain your first name, last name, address, city, province, country, postal code, birth date, or commonly used words like "password".

Password strength:

Weak

New password *

Confirm password *

Submit

Step 8: Enter Licensee Portal



VERIFY & UPDATE
LICENSEE
INFORMATION.



RENEW YOUR LICENSE



UPLOAD CONTINUING
MEDICAL EDUCATION
CERTIFICATES.



PRINT LICENSE CARD.



REQUEST NAME
CHANGES.

Contact the Board office for assistance.

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