POLICY

The programs are responsible for the registration and renewal of all unlicensed residents and fellows with the Florida Department of Health Licensing Agencies: Board of Medicine, Board of Osteopathic Medicine, or Board of Dentistry. This process occurs prior to entry into your GME program.

The current UF resident contract states:

"An unrestricted Florida license is not required of residents; however, should a resident obtain an unrestricted medical license in Florida, it is solely his/her responsibility to maintain active status with the Medical / Dental Board, including timely renewal and payment of all associated fees."

Timely means renewal within 60 days of the expiration.

Should any resident be unable to provide documentation that the license has been renewed, the resident will be suspended, per the Professionalism Code of Conduct policy, and will be required to go on leave without pay until such time the resident obtains his/her license renewal.

[The BOM will not re-register residents as unlicensed once an unrestricted license is obtained]

Renewal of the training license occurs every two years for allopathic physicians, annually for osteopathic physicians and dentists. The renewal includes required responses to a series of questions regarding adverse events that have occurred in the interim between initial registration and renewal of the training license.

The renewal application(s) requires that Residents/Fellows sign an attestation that reads:

Allopathic Application
I have carefully read the questions in the foregoing registration application and have answered them completely, without reservations of any kind, and I state that my answers and all statements made by me herein are true and correct. Should I furnish any false information in this registration application, I hereby agree that such act shall constitute cause for denial, suspension or revocation of my registration as a physician in the State of Florida.

Osteopathic Application
I have carefully read the questions in the foregoing application and have answered them completely, without reservations of any kind, and I declare that my answers and all statements made by me herein are true and correct. Should I furnish any false information in this application, I hereby agree that such act shall constitute cause for denial, suspension or revocation of my license to practice Osteopathic Medicine in the State of Florida.

Dental Application
I have carefully read the instructions and questions in the foregoing application and have answered them completely, without reservations of any kind. Should I furnish any false information in this application, or in any supporting documentation, I acknowledge that such an
act constitutes cause for denial, disciplinary action, suspension or revocation of my residency/intern permit to practice dentistry under Chapter 466, Florida Statutes, Chapter 456, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 64B5, Florida Administrative Code, in the State of Florida.

Program Directors also have a responsibility for ensuring accurate reporting of any and all adverse decisions while in their training program. Review of all Board of Medicine registration renewal applications will be required by the Program Director. An attestation form will be required with all program submissions to the Office of Educational Affairs.

Questions of specific concern are:

Allopathic Application Questions
16. In the last five years, have you been enrolled in, required to enter into, or participated in any drug or alcohol recovery program or impaired practitioner program for treatment of drug or alcohol abuse that occurred within the past five years?

Osteopathic Application Questions
A. In the last five years, have you been enrolled in, required to enter into, or participated in any drug or alcohol recovery program or impaired practitioner program for treatment of drug or alcohol abuse that occurred within the past five years?

15. Have you ever been dropped, suspended, placed on probation, expelled, requested to resign or otherwise acted against by any school, college, university or training program?

16. Was attendance in Osteopathic Medical school or any postgraduate training program for a period other than the normal curriculum or established time frame?

17. Were you required to repeat any part of your Osteopathic Medical education, or postgraduate training program for any reason?

Dental Application Questions
A. In the last five years, have you been enrolled in, required to enter into, or participated in any drug or alcohol recovery program or impaired practitioner program for treatment of drug or alcohol abuse that occurred within the past five years?

Procedure: At least four months prior to the expiration date of the training licenses, all affected residents and fellows will be provided the Board of Medicine renewal application form. The resident/fellow will have two (2) weeks to complete the application and submit to their Program Coordinator/Administrator. The coordinator will conduct their review of the application. The Program Director will have two weeks to review the renewal applications for accuracy.

The Office of Educational Affairs will provide the departments with one check to cover the cost of all the renewal applications, if applicable.

It is the program coordinator/administrator’s responsibility to retain a scanned copy of the completed application in the program’s Resident Information folder. The file is to be saved as LastName, FirstName – License 201X. When the license renewal is complete, the coordinator will print the Department of Health website confirmation of renewal; attach a PDF to the saved application, and update the license information in New Innovations. The coordinator will e-mail the OEA personnel assigned to their program when the process is complete.