



# The Check-Up

Your Quarterly Arizona Medical Board (AMB) E-Newsletter

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## Open Comment Period for Rule Amendments

The AMB is accepting comments on the Proposed Rule Amendments for Article 1 (General Provisions) and Article 4 (Medical Assistants) through August 14, 2018.

The law requires state agencies review rules every five years and submit a written report to the Governor's Regulatory Review Council. This report demonstrates whether the rules should be adjusted or modified.

The physicians licensed to practice in Arizona are chief among the individuals from whom the AMB seeks comment. Please take a moment to review the Proposed Rule Making at the link provided below. There is a web submission form for comment for your convenience.

### [Proposed Rule Making and Comment Page](#)

Additionally, an in person question and comment session is set for August 14, 2018, at 1740 W. Adams Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007 in Boardroom B.

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## The AMB Communicates with Physicians and the Public



In an effort to build upon the successful outreach programs with the medical community in Arizona; the AMB's Executive Team developed new and improved forums for communication with licensees and the public.

First the AMB created and launched a newsletter, *The Checkup* (this publication), in March of 2017. *The Checkup* is available and provided to all allopathic physicians via email.

Second, the Agency created a YouTube channel where we provide video messaging on important topics for licensees. The first video posted in March 2018 to inform licensees of the various changes to statutes related to the ongoing opioid situation in Arizona.

Lastly, the AMB launched a Twitter account. You can now follow us on Twitter at @AZMedicalBoard. This has proven to be a helpful and simple method for communication and updates. The Twitter account is monitored Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.



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## Outside Medical Consultants: Your Profession Needs YOU

The physician community needs physicians to review cases for the AMB as outside medical consultants ("OMCs"). OMCs are professionals who receive a stipend and may be eligible for continuing medical education credits for their review of cases.

**We need Arizona licensed physicians in ALL specialties, but there is presently a high need for the following:**

- **Addiction Medicine**
- **Interventional Cardiology**
- **Medical Oncology**
- **Cardiothoracic Surgery**
- **Gynecological Oncology**
- **Hematology/Oncology**
- **Interventional Radiology**
- **Pain Management**
- **Pain Medicine**
- **Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology**

Please contact us at [omc@azmd.gov](mailto:omc@azmd.gov) for details, or call (480) 551-2700

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## Bureau of Vital Records - Database Application for Vital Events (DAVE) is LIVE:

The Arizona Department of Health Services - Bureau of Vital Records implemented the DAVE system as of October 2nd 2017. DAVE is a web-based electronic system that allows Medical Certifiers, Medical Examiners, Tribal Law Enforcement Authority, Hospitals and Funeral Homes to complete the death record process 100% electronically.

If you need assistance accessing DAVE or have system related question, please call our help desk at (602) 364-2230 or email us at: [BVRSupport](mailto:BVRSupport)

Please also visit the DAVE information website for updates, training guides and available webinar sessions: [Bureau of Vital Records - Database Application for Vital Events \(DAVE\)](#)

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**Laura Bryan, Licensing Manager**, is in the Spotlight this issue.

Laura joined the AMB August, 2015 as the Assistant Manager for Licensing. Prior to joining AMB, Laura had already been in service to the citizens of Arizona for eighteen years. She was with the Department of Health Services in Licensing for fourteen years (4 in Medical Licensing and 10 in Special Licensing). Additionally, Laura worked nearly two years with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) in the

Commercial Driver Licensing Program as well.  
Laura is a proud Veteran; she served four years  
in the United States Navy. Her latest endeavor is  
completing her Associate's Degree.  
Laura is a true lover of the outdoors. She enjoys  
just about anything, a good hike, bike ride or  
walk.

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## Upcoming AMB Meetings

August 20-21, 2018 - Regular Session Meeting

September 13, 2018 - Special Teleconference Meeting

October 22-23, 2018 - Regular Session Meeting

November 8, 2018 - Special Teleconference Meeting

please consult [AMB Website](#) for meeting and other Agency information