

# Florida Board of Medicine: Facts Every Physician Should Know

## Practitioner's Profile

Since 1997, Florida law has required physicians to create and maintain a Practitioner Profile [s. 456.041 – 046, Florida Statutes]. When a physician becomes licensed in Florida, he/she is given their practitioner profile to review for accuracy. The profile goes live on our web site 30 days later. Thereafter, practitioners **are required** to update their profile within **15 days** of any change. Below are the categories on the profile.

### Mandatory Reporting Categories

Education and Training  
Professional and post-graduate training  
Specialty certification  
Year began practicing  
Other state licensure  
Primary and secondary locations  
Academic appointments  
Financial responsibility  
Liability claims exceeding \$100,000  
Liability claims exceeding \$5,000  
Bankruptcies  
Staff privileges  
Criminal offenses  
Final disciplinary actions  
Final disciplinary actions take by a licensing agency  
Final disciplinary actions taken by a specialty board  
Final disciplinary actions taken by an HMO, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, out-of-state ambulatory surgical center  
Resigned from or had any medical staff privileges restricted or revoked by an HMO, pre-paid health clinic, nursing home, out-of-state ambulatory surgical center

### Optional Reporting Categories

Medicaid participation	Other health related degrees
Email address	Committees/memberships
Professional or community service awards	Publications
Professional web page	Languages spoken other than English
Other affiliations	

So right now, you might be asking yourself, when *was* the last time you updated your profile. Take a moment and access the Internet.

- Go to [www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa](http://www.doh.state.fl.us/mqa)
- Click *Practitioner Profile*
- Click *Update/Confirm Profile Online*

Some items must be sent in to the Board Office for updating while others you can do online. If needed, the same link provides additional information about profiles. In addition, Profiling Staff is available to assist you and can be reached at (850) 488-0595. Remember to update!

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