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# STATE OF IOWA

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IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE  
MARK BOWDEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## Executive Director's Report

*(Prepared August 21, 2015, for the August 27-28, 2015, Board meeting)*

**PERSONNEL:** Applications for the vacant positions of case manager for the Physician Health Program (administrative assistant 2) and enforcement investigator (health professions investigator) are being accepted through the Department of Administrative Services' job website, <https://sjobs.brassring.com/TGWebHost/home.aspx?partnerid=25026&siteid=5018>. These Board staff positions are open due to resignations earlier this year.

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**INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT:** Board member Diane Clark and Executive Director Mark Bowden, Iowa's commissioners for the Compact Commission, will attend a meeting September 1 in Chicago to help lay plans for the formal organization of the commission later this year. The commission implements, interprets, or prescribes a policy or provision of the compact, or an organizational, procedural, or practice requirement of the compact.

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**DOCINFO:** The Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) has launched a free online resource to provide consumers with important background information on the more than 900,000 actively licensed physicians in the United States, including whether or not a physician has been disciplined by a state medical board. The Docinfo physician search tool, [www.docinfo.org](http://www.docinfo.org), draws data from the FSMB's Physician Data Center, the nation's most comprehensive database of physician licensure and disciplinary information. The Data Center is regularly updated with information provided to the FSMB by its membership of 70 state medical and osteopathic boards, which license all U.S. physicians, and discipline several thousand physicians each year for unprofessional conduct, incompetence and other issues.

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**FSMB NOMINATIONS:** The Federation of State Medical Boards is seeking nominations for elective positions on the FSMB Board of Directors, recommendations for appointments to FSMB committees, and resolutions on issues of interest to state medical boards and the Federation. The FSMB's 104th annual meeting will be held April 28-30, 2016, at San Diego, CA.

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**BOARD TO MEET IN CORALVILLE:** The Board will meet December 10-11, 2015, at the Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center. Board meetings are usually held in Des

Moines, but the Board does occasionally schedule meetings elsewhere in Iowa to increase its interaction with the public it serves.

**BOARD CALENDAR: August 27-November 30, 2015**

**August 27-28** – Board meeting

**September 7** – Office closed (Labor Day)

**September 10-11** – Hearing dates

**September 17** – Board teleconference meeting

**September 18** – Physician Health Committee meeting

**October 8-9** – Hearing dates

**October 15-16** – Board meeting

**November 6** – Physician Health Committee meeting

**November 11** – Office closed (Veterans Day)

**November 12** – Board teleconference meeting

**November 19-20** – Hearing dates

**November 26-27** – Office closed (Thanksgiving)