# TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH RELATED BOARDS

# ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ACUPUNCTURE **Newsletter**



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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

**CEU:** Effective in June 2006, all Certified Acupuncturist must obtain thirty (30) Professional Development Activity (PDA) points as defined by NCCAOM during the two (2) Calendar years (January 1 through December 31) period that precedes the year in which certification is renewed.

#### **STATUTORY CHANGES:**

The following are brief summaries of statutory changes of interest to Acupuncturists practicing in Tennessee. If you wish to review the Public Chapter in its entirety, please visit the state website at:

http://www.tennessee.gov/sos/acts/index.htm

#### **PUBLIC CHAPTER 558:**

Authorizes Allied Health Professional Boards to enter into grants, agreements, scholarships, etc. with statewide non-profit or state agencies for improving availability of Allied Health Workforce to improve the quality of health care.

#### **PUBLIC CHAPTER 560:**

Allows the governor to limit the liability for healthcare services provided by voluntary health care providers during a governor-declared emergency, except for gross malpractice or willful misconduct. Granted in thirty (30 day increments.

### PUBLIC CHAPTER 663

Revises the Health Care Con-

sumer Right To Know Act by clarifying that those who provide their home address for their required profile are authorizing its disclosure under the Public Records Act.

#### **PUBLIC CHAPTER 718**

Establishes a new Sunset date for the Advisory Committee for Acupuncture: June 30, 2010.

#### **PUBLIC CHAPTER 775**

Authorizes Chiropractic Physicians to practice Acupuncture upon completion of two hundred fifty (250) hours of training and passage of a Chiropractic Acupuncture exam. It prohibits Chiropractic Physicians from advertising that they are "Certified Acupuncturists."

# 2007 Board Meetings:

February 20th - 1:00 PM, Iris Board Room 227 French Landing Metrocenter

August 28th - 1:00 PM Iris Board Room 227 French Landing Metrocenter

**An Audit** of the Advisory Committee for Acupuncture is scheduled for January 2009.

# CHANGES OF ADDRESS

Must be reported (in writing or by e-mail) to the Board's Office within 30 days! Please include the following:

- Your name and license number:
- Your profession;
- Your old address and phone number;
- Your new address and phone number, e-mail address, and/or your fax number;

#### • Your SIGNATURE!

Board's Fax Number:

1-615-253-4484

Board's Website:

http://www2.state.tn.us/ health/Boards/index.htm

#### RENEWING YOUR LICENSE ON-LINE

Beginning in December 2001, renewing your professional health license got a bit easier. The Department of Health has implemented an online process that allows all professions and facilities of Health to renew their licenses online and/or update their information. The process is quick, simple, secure, and convenient – and even allows you to pay for your renewal with a credit card.

# Following are step-by- step instructions for renewing your license online:

**Step One – Login In.** As a professional, you'll need to

select your board, profession and enter your profession license number, your date of birth and social security number or your transaction number from your renewal notice.

Step Two – Update Your Information. Here you'll have the opportunity to update your home address, your work address and even your billing address. Once you've completed entering that information, you're halfway done!

Step Three – Enter your Renewal Information. At this step you'll answer all necessary questions and provide information on licenses from other states. You'll have the ability to update your education information and list your principal place of employment.

Step Four – Payment. Here's where it all comes together. By entering your credit card through the secure site and choosing "submit," you will have completed the online renewal application.



NOTE: Choose submit one time only!



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