

Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation



The regulation of physicians in Illinois can be traced back to the first Medical Practice Act of

Illinois enacted in 1877. Medical practitioners were placed under the jurisdiction of the [Department of Financial and Professional Regulation](#) upon its creation in 1917.

The Medical Licensing Board is made up of seven physicians, including five doctors of medicine, one doctor of osteopathy, and one doctor of chiropractic. The board evaluates the qualifications of applicants for licensure as physicians in Illinois.

The Medical Disciplinary Board's purpose is to consider allegations of misconduct or malfeasance by members of the medical professions and to recommend appropriate discipline. The board consists of nine members: seven physicians, including osteopathic and chiropractic representatives, and two members of the public.