

BARIATRIC PRACTICE REGISTRATION/RENEWAL



This is for physicians who are the primary physician /owner/operator or an employee of a Bariatric medical practice and who wish to register for the fiscal year 2019-20.

October 29, 2018, is the effective date of the regulation, Rule 1.6 Bariatric Medicine / Medical Weight Loss Clinics. Physicians whose practice meet the definition of a Bariatric Practice may not operate in Mississippi without the required registration from the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

Part 2640 Chapter 1: Rules Pertaining to Prescribing, Administering and Dispensing of Medication
Rule 1.2 **Definitions.** M. "Bariatric Medicine, Medical Weight Loss, or Weight Management Practice" means a public or privately-owned practice

- a. for which 30% or more of the patients are provided a comprehensive weight management treatment program or;
- b. 30% or more of the patients receive any controlled substance approved by the FDA for the pharmacologic management of weight loss or;
- c. any licensee who advertises weight loss by any means.

Excluded from this definition is any practice in which a licensee advertises the use of nonpharmacological products as part of the licensee's overall practice of medicine. In order to be excluded from this definition, the licensee's practice must have nonpharmacological weight loss and/or weight loss management as a component of the overall management of the patient's total health care. If the use of nonpharmacological products for weight loss and/or weight management exceeds 30% of the total outpatient clinic visits for any single 90-day consecutive period, the practice will be considered a bariatric medicine/medical weight loss practice and will be subject to all the rules and regulations pertaining to bariatric medicine/medical weight loss practice.

Bariatric surgeons whose primary practice is surgical weight loss and not long-term management of weight loss through medical, pharmaceutical, and/or behavioral management are also excluded from this definition.

The primary physician /owner/operator/employee of a Bariatric Medical Practice must register with the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure. Certificates, once issued, are not transferable or assignable. Only the primary physician owner is required to register with the Board. Renewals for certificates begin on May 1st. All practitioners/employees associated with the practice in the treatment of Bariatric patients, whether in the capacity as a primary practitioner /owner / practitioner or employee should be listed on the application. Each practice requires a separate application/certificate. After issuance of a certificate, notify the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure in writing of any changes in the information provided in the application for registration of the Bariatric medical practice within (30) thirty days.

If you have any questions, please contact the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure at: 1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Suite 200-B, Jackson, MS 39216. Please do not call for updates as this could delay the process. You may fax to (601) 987-6822, or call (601) 987-0827, please leave a message.

BARIATRIC PRACTICE CHECKLIST

APPENDIX F - BARIATRIC PRACTICE REGISTRATION APPLICATION /RENEWAL FORM.

Complete the application in its entirety. If any part of the form is not applicable mark with N/A do not leave blank.

BARIATRIC PRACTICE CERTIFICATE RENEWAL. All certificates expire on June 30 and must be renewed annually. Renewal will begin on May 1st every year.

PROOF OF OWNERSHIP. Submit acceptable documents as listed on the form. If the practice has not filed documents with the IRS, other documents may be submitted with a written explanation and notarized signature of practice owner(s) for approval by the Executive Director. Provide documents indicating Company/owner if you are employee or contract personnel.

TRAINING / CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION. Submit a spreadsheet with the total number of CME hours along with copies of certificates of completion for any Board certification, Residency, Fellowships and CME as listed in the regulation, Part 2640, Chapter 1, Rule 1.6 D. CME documents not submitted on a spreadsheet will be returned and may cause a delay in processing.

DEA DOCUMENTATION. Submit a copy of your DEA Registration number and include copies of DEA certificates of all professionals employed or contracted in the bariatric practice.

LICENSURE VERIFICATION. Provide copies of licensure for all health professionals contracted and employed in the Bariatric practice. Additionally, for all Physician Assistants and/or Nurse Practitioners listed in the Bariatric practice, provide a copy of the practice specific protocol executed by all parties. For Physician Assistants, provide a copy of the approved protocol that has been filed with the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure.

PRESCRIPTION MONITORING PROGRAM. All Physicians and Physician Assistants must register with the Mississippi Prescription Monitoring Program ("MPMP") as stipulated by Part 2640 Chapter 1: Rule 1.3. Each individual who is licensed by the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure and has prescriptive authority must be registered with the Mississippi Prescription Monitoring Program (MPMP). To register with the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy Prescription Monitoring Program follow the Prescription Monitoring Program link on the Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure home page under key links.

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Mail documents to:

MSBML - Bariatric Practice
1867 Crane Ridge Drive, Suite 200-B
Jackson, MS 39216
ExecutiveAdmin1@msbml.ms.gov
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All items listed that apply to your Bariatric practice registration MUST be submitted. All copies must be on 8-1/2 x 11, single-sided. All application material must be original, unaltered, and official where required.