The Mississippi State Board of Medical Licensure (MSBML) has jurisdiction over the following professionals: Medical Doctors (MD), Osteopathic Doctors (DO), Podiatrists (DPM), Physician’s Assistants (PA), Radiology Assistants (R.A.) and Acupuncturists (L.Ac.s). If your complaint concerns other professions or facilities, you should contact the appropriate regulatory/licensing agency. Contact information and Internet website for other Mississippi State Agencies are listed on the Official State website of Mississippi; http://www.ms.gov/index.jsp.

Look up the Licensee in the database by selecting the Dr Search link on the website homepage to make certain he or she is currently licensed to practice and ensure you have the correct spelling of their name. Your complaint will then be reviewed by the Executive Director for possible violations of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act and the Board’s rules and regulations. A written response will be mailed to you regarding the results of that review.

COMPLAINT PROCEDURE OUTLINE

- **Complaint Received**
  - Executive Director makes a determination whether complaint justifies further investigation. Case may be opened.

- **Screening Process**
  - Investigative staff will be directed to interview and take statements of witnesses and licensees. An investigator may inform the licensee of the purpose of investigation. A copy of the complaint may be provided to Licensee upon request. If a Complainant has requested anonymity, all identifying data of the Complainant shall be removed.

- **Complaint is dismissed without further investigation for lack of jurisdiction or violation of the Mississippi Medical Practice Act.**

- **Investigation Completed and information sent to Executive Director for review and direction**

- **Case is closed with no formal action. A letter of education or concern may be sent to Licensee.**

- **Case may be resolved by an agreement or informal settlement.**

- **If no resolution had been reached, a Summons and Affidavit may be issued to Licensee to appear before the Board for a hearing.**

- **Discipline may be imposed (i.e., reprimand, probation, suspension, and revocation).**