

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN**  
**STATE BOARD OF ORTHOTICS, PROSTHETICS, AND PEDORTHICS**  
**BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 22, 2012**



This summary of Board actions and related items reflects information reported to and/or discussed by the Board at its February 22, 2012 meeting. Please be aware that some of this information is based on meeting minutes not yet approved by the Board. [Approved Board meeting minutes](#) constitute the formal record of Board actions. Please [contact the Board office](#) (Board Director) for further information regarding any item of particular interest to you.

**LICENSING** - [for online real-time license status verification, click to: [License Verification](#)]

The following **new license actions were approved** and/or reported:

<b><u>NEW LICENSE ACTIONS</u></b>	
Travis Barlow	LP.298
Frank Denton	LPED*
Roselyn Dickson	LPED.214
Casey Donaldson	LPED.215 - TEMP
Justin Glass	LPED.216
Raghvendra Prajapati	LP.299-TEMP
Kim Reed	LP.300-TEMP
Julie Rubel	LP.297

<b><u>UPGRADES REPORTED</u></b>	
Steven Beeley	LO.301
Nicholas Brown	LO.299
Gerald B. Bernar	LP.257
Raghvendra Prajapati	LO.295

\*pending results of criminal record check – Reciprocity (Florida)

<b><u>LICENSES DESIGNATED AS LAPSED</u></b>					
<b><u>Credential</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>	<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Expire date</u></b>	<b><u>City</u></b>	<b><u>RRR Card rec'd</u></b>
LO.290	LAPSED	Atves, Jayson N.	1/31/2012	Brunswick	2/11/2012
LPED.137	LAPSED	Curran, Michelle S.	1/31/2012	Maineville	2/10/2012
LPED.176	LAPSED	Donatelli, Tracy A.	1/31/2012	Akron	2/11/2012
LPED.198	LAPSED	Hankinson, Linda K.	1/31/2012	Antwerp	2/9/2012
LO.210	LAPSED	Johnson, Bobbi J.	1/31/2012	West Middlesex	2/10/2012
LPO.63	LAPSED	Lara, Fernando	1/31/2012	Dickson	return pending
LO.276 2	LAPSED	Miller, Megan L.	1/31/2012	Cincinnati	2/10/2012
LPED.117 2	LAPSED	Ray, Etta M.	1/31/2012	Loveland	2/9/2012
LPED.102 2	LAPSED	Rees, Michael S.	1/31/2012	Cannonsburg	2/11/2012
LPED.49	LAPSED	Sontag, Timothy L.	1/31/2012	Yellow Springs	2/8/2012
LP.121	LAPSED	Sulek, Michael	1/31/2012	Cincinnati	2/10/2012
LP.188	LAPSED	Underwood, Kyle H.	1/31/2012	Norton	return pending
LPED.129 2	LAPSED	Willig, Lee M.	1/31/2012	Canton	return pending

<b>LICENSES LISTED AS INACTIVE/NON-RENEWED</b>					
<u>Credential</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Expire date</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>reason</u>
LO.3	INACTIVE	Albani, Steven A.	1/31/2012	El Paso	out of state
LPO.5	INACTIVE	Berman, Kenneth M.	1/31/2012	Findlay	retired
LPED.145	INACTIVE	DeLay, Matthew W.	1/31/2012	Pataskala	out of state
LPO.293 TEMP	INACTIVE	Erbland, Carin R.	2/4/2012	Willoughby	out of state
LPO.248	INACTIVE	McKenney, Megan C.	1/31/2012	Rocky River	informed non-renew
LO.177	INACTIVE	Piel, Christopher R.	1/31/2012	Hudson	informed non-renew
LPED.68	INACTIVE	Scheiber, Diane L	1/31/2012	Tiffin	informed non-renew
LPO.149	INACTIVE	Shamp, N. Joseph	1/31/2012	Wesley Chapel	out of state
LO.125	INACTIVE	Simko, Stephen T.	1/31/2012	Massillon	retired
LPED.162	INACTIVE	Smith, Steven E.	1/31/2012	West Bend	out of state

→ **BOARD TO COMMENT ON CMS PROPOSED OTC/OTS ORTHOTIC DEVICE LIST**

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has [posted for comment](#) a listing of orthotic HCPCS codes and descriptions proposed to be designated as “Off-The-Shelf” items “which require minimal self-adjustment for appropriate use and do not require expertise in trimming, bending, molding, assembling, or customizing to fit to the individual.” The posting states that “CMS regulations ... define the term ‘minimal self-adjustment’ to mean an adjustment ... that does not require the services of a certified orthotist ... or an individual who has specialized training.” “Certified orthotist” is referenced as “an individual who is certified by the American Board for Certification in Orthotics and Prosthetics [ABC] ... or by the Board for Orthotist/Prosthetist Certification.” However, the listing includes a large number of items that are in fact rated by the [ABC-AOPA-Academy Tripartite Report](#) as requiring specially-educated certified professionals to appropriately fit. Similarly, a number of items on the proposed list were identified as [requiring licensed dispensation in Ohio](#) based on CMS language, Ohio regulatory language, and national expert opinion. The Board authorized a comment from the Board, subject to final approval by President David M. DeLuccia, to be offered prior to the 03/08/2012 deadline. Individuals may also comment at [OTSComments@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:OTSComments@cms.hhs.gov).

→ **BOARD SERVICE – TWO MEMBERS RE-APPOINTED, ONE NEW MEMBER APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR KASICH. THREE MEMBERS “TIME OUT” IN DECEMBER 2012**

Members of the State Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics are appointed by the Governor for terms lasting three years; term origination/expiration dates land on December 6<sup>th</sup> of each year at issue.

William (Bill) Neu, LPO, and Consumer Member Robert (Bob) Reed, Ph.D., were re-appointed to 3-year terms. Jason P. Macedonia, LPO.240, was appointed to a new 3-year term. A member can serve two consecutive 3-year terms, but the Governor is not required to re-appoint an incumbent.

In December 2012, three seats must be filled by new appointments, as incumbents are mid-way through their second consecutive terms of service: one Orthotic and/or Prosthetic Practitioner seat; the Pedorthic Practitioner seat; and the “Doctor” seat (M.D., D.O., or D.P.M.). Board members are reimbursed for mileage and parking for Board business, but are otherwise not financially compensated. Anyone interested in serving must apply directly with the Governor’s office. [Click here](#). The Board office would appreciate receiving a courtesy copy of any application submitted.

→ **PRACTICE ACT NEEDS UPDATE**

Noting the changes in national credentialing standards being implemented through all NCOPE accredited educational entities, Board discussion indicated a strong need for an update to the Ohio Practice Act, and authorized the Director together with Board leadership to work on such an initiative, seeking input and partnership with the Ohio O&P Association, licensed constituency, and interested stakeholders.

→ **OPPCE REPORTING CYCLE REMINDER**

Ohio credentialing requirements in these professions require a licensee to confirm, subject to verification, accrual of a minimum amount of approved Continuing Education credits at every third license renewal. Most national credentialing organizations that certify practitioners in these fields have a 5-year CE accrual window. The Board thus urges OPP licensees to think of their OPPCE obligation in terms of a yearly "rate" based on the 3-year rule. Such a protocol assures both current competence in the field, and compliance with the Ohio requirement when the targeted renewal rolls around.

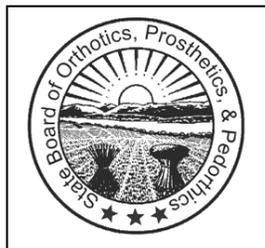
3-year accrual requirements and the corresponding annual "rates" are as follows:

<u>License Type</u>	<u>Abbreviation</u>	<u>3-year total minimum</u>	<u>Annualized Rate</u>
Pedorthics	LPED	33	11
Orthotics or Prosthetics	LO or LP	45	15
Orthotics AND Prosthetics	LPO, or LO & LP	75	25

✓ Please note: [OPPCE minimum requirements are set by statute](#) and are not subject to modification by the Board. No OPPCE requirement attaches to a Temporary license.

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