

Alabama State Board of Podiatry

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Honorable Kay Ivey State of Alabama 600 Dexter Avenue Montgomery, AL 36104

RE: Alabama State Board of Podiatry

2023 Annual Report

Dear Governor Ivey:

Pursuant, §34-24-252, Code of Alabama, 1975, the Alabama State Board of Podiatry is required to submit an annual report to the Governor as to its activities, conditions, and financial status. Therefore, I submit for the following information for your records.

Board Members are:

Dr. Johnnie L. Alston, *Chair* Montgomery, Alabama Expiration: March 25, 2024

Dr. Michael Hames, *Vice-Chair* Florence, Alabama Expiration: March 25, 2024

Dr. Paul Ciavarelli, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer Opelika, Alabama

Expiration: March 25, 2024

Mr. Jeffrey M. Dull Fairhope, Alabama Expiration: July 21, 2023

Dr. Maurice Wainwright Birmingham, Alabama Expiration: July 21, 2023

Dr. Robson F. Araujo Boaz, Alabama Expiration: July 21, 2023

Dr. Angela L. Hampton Huntsville, Alabama Expiration: May 9, 2021

The Board has continued to be successful in resolution of complaints. The Board is very active in the Alabama Opioid Overdose and Addiction Council. The Board monitors prescribing habits of podiatrists and does not tolerate over prescribing opioids to patients.

The Alabama Podiatric Medical Association was successful with legislative changes in the 2023 Regular Legislative Session to expand the scope of practice to include lower extremities. This will now make Alabama a desirable state for newly licensed podiatrists to practice without any limitations that were previously in place. The Board hopes that the number of podiatrists will greatly increase the number of practitioners in our State.

Board revenue consists of license fees, license renewal fees, examination fees, administrative fines and/or penalties.

Beginning Balance 10/1/21	\$114,242.92
Receipts	\$ 89,820.46
Expenditures	\$ 89,475.71
Ending Balance 9/30/22	\$114,587.67

The Finance and Accounting Department for the Board, Kevin Smith and Brannon Littleton with Smith Warren Management Services, Inc., is currently working with the Comptroller's Office to convert the Board's account to comply with the Executive Order and create a treasury account, STAARS accounting and reporting. The process continues with an extension provided by Governor Ivey in December 2023. We will continue to update on this process through completion.

The Board currently has 159 licensed podiatrists and received a total of 8 complaints for the fiscal year.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Board office should you need any additional information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

Keith E. Warren
Executive Director

cc: Secretary of State

State Auditor

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