

### **TMB seeks EMS medical directors for panel**

The Texas Medical Board is seeking EMS medical directors to serve on complaint review panels. Texas law requires the panel to be composed of physicians who represent the best of the medical profession, are licensed to practice medicine in Texas, are board-certified, have no history of licensure restriction, no history of peer discipline, an acceptable malpractice complaint history, and are in active practice in the state of Texas as defined by Board Rule Sec. 163.11. Experience in peer review is preferred.

When Texas Medical Board has a complaint regarding someone who specializes in emergency or prehospital medicine, panelists receive an e-mail or call asking if the physician is able to do a review. Panelists can accept only as many as they feel comfortable doing. Panelists do not have to travel to Austin to do reviews. The information about the complaint is available through an internet connection, primarily patient medical records. There is reimbursement of \$100/hour for reviewers. Reviewers then write an opinion regarding the standard of care. TMB has online training and staff to help as needed. Generally, reviews need to be completed within three weeks. Reviewers do not have to testify at hearings, although they may be asked to look at the respondent's rebuttal. Questions? Contact Amanda Bloodgood, Panelist Coordinator, at [Amanda.Bloodgood@tmb.state.tx.us](mailto:Amanda.Bloodgood@tmb.state.tx.us)