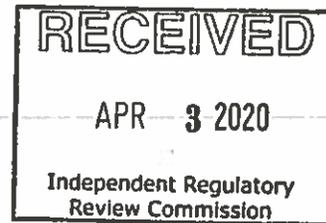


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Regulation #16A-5334: Fees

To Whom It May Concern:

It is ridiculous to expect osteopathic physicians in this state to continue to spend more on CME, licensure and additional requirements simply for the "privilege" of being an osteopathic physician in this state. Charging significantly more than our allopathic colleagues for the same documentation to practice medicine is one way to ensure that our numbers will continue to dwindle. The state board needs to determine if they are unable to balance their budget charging the same amount as the MDs then they need to look into ways to share costs with the allopathic board, particularly now that there is a single accreditation system.

\$475 biannually is not sustainable, and rate increases are far more than even inflation rates over the last several years. Coupled with the fact that many private practice physicians and employed physicians are currently losing significant amounts of their income to fighting COVID-19 in this state I urge you to look into alternate cost reductions over significant increases in fees.

Thanks,

Lynn M. Wilson, DO

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