

Legislative Update

Announcing the Maryland Board of Massage Therapy Examiners

We are very happy to announce that HB 1420, which will separate the Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners into two independent boards, will become law. While Governor Hogan will not veto the bill, he is not going to have a formal signing either. For us that means there won't be a photo opportunity to celebrate, which in the big picture is far less important than HAVING OUR OWN BOARD!

AMTA Maryland is very grateful for all of the volunteers who have worked for many years to get Maryland MTs to this place, it has been a long road. A very small number of people have worked very hard to benefit us all - thank you.

We also appreciate all the support and guidance we have received from the Chiropractors and the Maryland Chiropractic Association! Our Lobbyist, Dennis Rasmussen, also gets a great deal of credit, as we couldn't navigate all of this without an experienced person on the ground at the statehouse.



We will have a formal celebration at our Annual Meeting on August 21st.

Call for Applications - Dates to be announced Maryland Board of Massage Therapy Examiners

The next step will be nominating people who are interested in holding a position on the new board. We are a week or two away from having all of the details, and will announce them via email, on our website, and on Facebook as soon as we have everything in order.

The new board will consist of 5 massage therapist board members and 2 layperson board members. The job is a volunteer position that does require a good amount of time. In addition to the monthly meeting, there are a variety of committee meetings. Often board members travel to attend meetings or serve in other capacities on other related boards such as the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards.

An ideal candidate will have a depth of experience (5+ years), time and resources that allow them to focus on this position, and an interest in the regulatory and enforcement side of our profession in Maryland.

We know this is not for everyone, and will appreciate your application if you feel you are a good fit. AMTA Maryland is charged with submitting the group of approved applications to the Governor, who will choose the board. AMTA membership is not preferred or required.

As soon as we have all the the application information we will make the announcements. There will be approximately 30 days for applications to be submitted.

Looking for a great way to get your CEUs this year?

We are offering all 7 required credits for \$70, in one day with lunch. Spend the day with colleagues, get your credits, enjoy lunch - does it get better than that?

Click your preferred location for details and registration

Saturday - June 25th in Rockville

Saturday - September 17th with CCBC in Essex (registration coming soon)

Connect with AMTA-MD on Facebook

If you haven't already, please like our Facebook page and join our Facebook group. We use Facebook as one way to communicate events like our coffee and conversation get-togethers, as well as upcoming continuing education classes, and other news and events.



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