

(vi) Mediators.

[(h)] (I) The Board may issue subpoenas and administer oaths in connection with any investigation under this section and any hearing or proceeding before it.

[(i)] (J) Those individuals not licensed under this title but covered under § 14-413(a)(1)(ii)3 and 4 of this subtitle are subject to the hearing provisions of § 14-405 of this subtitle.

[(j)] (K) (1) It is the intent of this section that the disposition of every complaint against a licensee that sets forth allegations of grounds for disciplinary action filed with the Board shall be completed as expeditiously as possible and, in any event, within 18 months after the complaint was received by the Board.

(2) If the Board is unable to complete the disposition of a complaint within 1 year, the Board shall include in the record of that complaint a detailed explanation of the reason for the delay.

14-402.

(a) In reviewing an application for licensure, certification, or registration or in investigating an allegation brought against a licensed physician or any allied health professional regulated by the Board under this title, the Physician Rehabilitation [Committee] PROGRAM may request the Board to direct, or the Board on its own initiative may direct, the licensed physician or any allied health professional regulated by the Board under this title to submit to an appropriate examination.

(b) In return for the privilege given by the State issuing a license, certification, or registration, the licensed, certified, or registered individual is deemed to have:

(1) Consented to submit to an examination under this section, if requested by the Board in writing; and

(2) Waived any claim of privilege as to the testimony or examination reports.

(c) The unreasonable failure or refusal of the licensed, certified, or registered individual to submit to an examination is prima facie evidence of the licensed, certified, or registered individual's inability to practice medicine or the respective discipline competently, unless the Board finds that the failure or refusal was beyond the control of the licensed, certified, or registered individual.