

# New Mexico Medical Review Commission Volunteer Form

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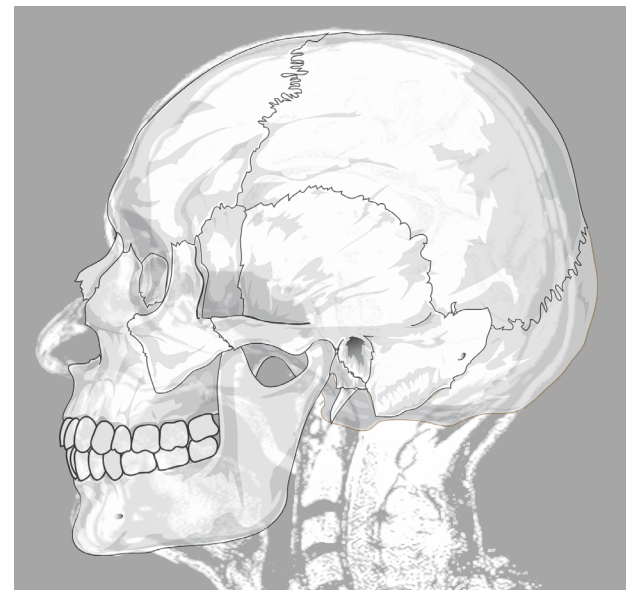
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# New Mexico Medical Review Commission

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?



## Contact Us

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## WHO WE ARE

The New Mexico Medical Review Commission, created by Section 41-5-14 of the New Mexico Medical Malpractice Act, was formed in 1976. To qualify under the Medical Malpractice Act, a provider must pay into the Patient Compensation Fund. The New Mexico Medical Society provides the staff and resources for the administration of the Review Commission.



## WHAT WE DO

The Review Commission screens all applications of alleged medical malpractice against qualified healthcare providers as mandated by the Medical Malpractice Act. The Review Commission eases the burden of malpractice claims on New Mexico courts. The Review Commission hears over 100 claims of alleged malpractice each year. Of all the cases the commission hears, **only 27%** are ever filed in court.

## HOW DO YOU FIT IN?

The medical legal panels are composed of volunteers. Panels consist of three (3) medical professionals, three (3) licensed attorneys, and one (1) chairperson. Claims are presented to the panel, who cast confidential votes to determine negligence and injury. No binding decision of malpractice is made. The Panel provides both parties with the unbiased expert opinions the merits of the case.

Panels are held Monday through Thursday evenings, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and last approximately one (1) to two-and-a-half (2 ½) hours.

Volunteers are provided a list of the upcoming cases each month and select which panels to serve on based on their availability and potential conflicts.

### Benefits to serving include:

- ▶ Opportunity to build professional and personal relationships with others in the medical and legal community in New Mexico;
- ▶ Physician panelists receive four (4) Category 1 Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits per panel;
- ▶ Staying up-to-date on current best practices and standards, as well as insight on how other professionals perceive the issues presented.



## WHAT OUR CURRENT VOLUNTEERS HAVE TO SAY

“It’s the right thing to do for the community and a way of giving back.”

“I am also grateful for the many friendships that I have developed... I would not have had the opportunity to develop these friendships without this great experience.”

“The chance to meet so many physicians has also proved valuable to me.”



If you would like to speak with someone about your interest in the Review Commission please call:

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