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Texas Medical Board Issues Record Number of Physician Licenses

Total eclipses previous record by 435 licenses issued in a fiscal year

The Texas Medical Board has issued a record number of physician licenses, ending the fiscal year with 5,304 licenses issued. The state's fiscal year ended on August 31, 2021.

"Our agency staff have worked incredibly hard amid an unthinkably challenging year for all of health care. The Texas Medical Board has shown that it, too, has risen to meet the everevolving challenges and is committed to serving Texans." said Texas Medical Board President Dr. Sherif Z. Zaafran, M.D. "I want to congratulate our staff for a job well done in ensuring qualified physicians wishing to practice in Texas have the opportunity to do so to help meet our state's needs now and in the future."

The TMB's previous record year-ending total for physician licenses was 4,869 issued in 2019. In the past decade, the Board <u>has issued</u> an average of 4,200 physician licenses each fiscal year.

Currently, there are 94,544 Texas licensed physicians.

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