

# GEORGIA COMPOSITE MEDICAL BOARD

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## **Georgia Composite Medical Board to begin preparations ahead of medical cannabis law**

**Atlanta, Georgia, March 27, 2015** – Following Governor Nathan Deal’s executive order, the Georgia Composite Medical Board (GCMB) announced its intention to begin drafting documentation required by [HB 1](#), the medical cannabis law. This documentation includes a physician certification form and a patient waiver, which will be presented at the April 2, 2015 board meeting. Members of the board will coordinate these efforts with the Department of Public Health.

Governor Deal [issued the executive order](#) instructing state agencies to prepare for the medical marijuana legislation this morning. He will sign the bill into law after the session ends.

The board will issue additional information after the April 2 board meeting.

### **About the Georgia Composite Medical Board**

The Georgia Composite Medical Board’s mission is to protect the health of Georgians through the proper licensing of physicians and certain members of the healing arts and through the objective enforcement of the Medical Practice Act. The board carries out its mission by licensing physicians, physician assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, physician residents, cosmetic laser practitioners, and pain management clinics. The board also investigates complaints and disciplines those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of its licensees.