

BOARD POLICY  
General

**Compensation for Expert Medical  
Reviewers**

**POLICY:** It is the policy of the Maine State Board of Nursing (Board) that expert nursing reviewers may be compensated up to a maximum of \$90/hour for their time reviewing medical records and preparing a report for the Board.

When required to be present at an Adjudicatory Hearing, they may be compensated up to a maximum of \$125/hour for their time in attendance at the hearing. Time spent in consultation with the Board AAG or Board staff prior to a hearing will be reimbursed at an hourly rate up to the \$125/hour maximum. Travel expenses will be considered on an individual basis.

**HISTORY:** The Board utilizes outside expert nursing reviewers when it determines that the details of the complaint are beyond the scope of Board members' expertise. Historically, many reviewers have not charged for their time or have submitted for a nominal reimbursement. Some reviewers however, have submitted for substantial reimbursement. The Board is a state agency whose entire funding comes from license fees. In an effort to manage costs and therefore licensing fees, the Board felt it necessary to put in place a policy regarding reimbursement for expert medical reviewers.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 29, 2018