

TIME IS RUNNING OUT - HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR LICENSE?

Approximately half of Florida MDs are set to have their licenses to practice medicine expire on January 31, 2007. However, the Florida Department of Health reports that only 50 percent have renewed. If you have not received your licensure renewal information and are unsure if it is your year to renew, go to www.flhealthsource.com to view your profile, which has your license expiration date at the top. You cannot practice if your license expires. Renewing after the deadline is costly and time consuming, and third party payors can refuse to reimburse you for services rendered under an inactive license so renewing early is important. The Board of Medicine has made this easy by putting the renewal process online. To renew online, go to www.doh-mgaservices.com and click on "Licensees" and then "Renew License." You will need an account/user ID number and password, which was included in your license renewal notice sent in October. If you do not have your notice, you may email licensure_services@doh.state.fl.us or call 850.488.0595, and press menu option 3. If you are an FMA member, you can contact the FMA for more information at fplendl@medone.org.