



**Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners
Office Based Surgery Committee
Tuesday, January 14, 2020**

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The Office Base Surgery Committee meeting of the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Poplar Room, Ground Floor, Metro Center Complex, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37243 by Dr. Neal Beckford, Committee Chair.

Committee members present: Neal Beckford, Committee Chair
Phyllis Miller, MD
John Hale, MD

Staff present: Rene Saunders, MD, Medical Consultant, BME
Angela Lawrence, BME Executive Director
Francine Baca-Chavez, Deputy General Counsel

Ms. Lawrence provided the Committee with a breakdown of cost from the finance office of an hourly rated base to include benefits. The Committee discussed a reasonable fee for assessing the applications. This fee is assessed every year, due to an annual renewal. It was determined that twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.00) would be a reasonable fee. One thousand dollars (\$1000.00) will be given to the health inspection review and two hundred dollars (\$200.00). Ms. Baca-Chaves will work toward having a draft of the rule changes at the next meeting to include the plans review portion before the work is done for level 3 office based surgery. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.