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## NEW OPMC SIGNAGE REQUIREMENT

Earlier this month, Governor Cuomo signed into law a bill that requires all physicians to post a sign in their office directing patients to the website of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) for information about reporting suspected misconduct.

The law does not mandate specific language to be used. In order to assist members, we have put together some suggested language for the signage, as follows:

- *As a physician, I am committed to ensuring that my patients receive appropriate medical care and treatment. You can get information about your rights and how to report professional misconduct by visiting [www.health.ny.gov/professionals/doctors/conduct](http://www.health.ny.gov/professionals/doctors/conduct)*

Please [click here](#) for a printable copy of this language.

The sign must be displayed conspicuously and readily visible in an area accessed by patients and those who may accompany patients to visits. Members may wish to laminate the sign or place it in a picture frame for permanent display in a waiting room or other appropriate location.

OPMC sent a letter to all physicians across the state dated October 8, 2020 with more information regarding the new signage requirement. A copy of the OPMC letter may be viewed by [clicking here](#).

Both NYSPA and MSSNY strongly opposed this legislation prior to its enactment. [Click here](#) to read a copy of NYSPA's letter to Governor Cuomo expressing its objections to the bill.

Failure to comply with this new requirement could subject a physician to charges of professional misconduct.

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