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# Message From the TMB President: Mental Health Questions and Supervision Issues



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# Application & Renewal Questions on Mental Health

Recommendations made by the <u>Federation of State Medical Boards</u>, the American Medical Association, and other physician groups have advocated for less "probing" questions asked of applicants and physicians

renewing their licenses that are limited to "current impairment." These recommendations come at the time when there is increased awareness of physician wellness issues in the medical community.

The Medical Board is charged first and foremost with protecting the public, and one primary way it achieves this is through the licensure process by ensuring individuals wishing to practice medicine in the state of Texas are adequately trained and competent to safely practice.

The Medical Board's application and renewal questions were last revised in 2014 after several years of stakeholder meetings that included the input of representatives from Texas medical schools, postgraduate training programs and hospitals. The revised questions, based on Americans with Disabilities Act standards, were ultimately approved by the Board in their current form in February 2014.

The Board's Licensure Committee more recently reexamined the current set of questions, and while changes are not immediately forthcoming, the Board remains committed to working with our stakeholders and maintaining an open dialogue to address future concerns.

What is extremely important to reiterate to our current licensees and future applicants is that a physician reporting a mental health condition does not automatically trigger an investigation or possible enforcement action.

Physicians can absolutely seek mental health treatment without fear of facing an automatic enforcement action against their license. When applicants answer "yes" to a mental health question, the Board will request additional information regarding a physician's continued care and treatment to verify a physician is not impaired or a risk to patients. There also remain several avenues for a physician to self-refer to the Texas Physician Health Program to maintain compliance and ensure they are safely practicing (See "Duty to Report Impairment," Page 4, January 2018 TMB Bulletin.) Only if a physician is non-responsive to the Board requesting additional information, would it result in an automatic referral to investigations.

The Board is mindful of the issues surrounding the reporting of mental health conditions and perceived stigma of seeking treatment. The Board also understands that treatment of medical conditions is a normal part of peo-

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ple's lives and receiving such treatment does not itself disqualify an applicant from licensure or prohibit renewal of a license.

#### **Supervision Issues and Medical Spas**

There have been concerns, highlighted by several recent news stories, related to a lack of proper supervision while patients are receiving treatment for certain cosmetic procedures and purported stem cell treatments.

This serves as an important opportunity to highlight the rules concerning supervision requirements for physicians in these areas of medical practice.

The Medical Board's rules relevant to medical spas, specifically the types of procedures performed in these settings, fall under <a href="Chapter 193">Chapter 193</a> — Standing Delegation Orders, which establishes the guidelines for physicians delegating to qualified non-physicians to provide services to patients while under physician control and supervision.

Rules allow for certain procedures to be performed by a qualified non-physician. These non-surgical cosmetic procedures can include injections and the use of prescription medical devices for cosmetic purposes. The rules do not, however, allow for these procedures to be performed without either a physician or midlevel practitioner (physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse) being onsite, or a physician being available for emergency consultation or appointment in the event of an adverse outcome. The rules also do not allow for midlevels and non-physicians to conduct these types of procedures without the proper physician supervision as required.

Prior to the procedure being performed, several steps must be taken by the physician, or the midlevel acting under the delegation of the physician. These include the following:

- a patient history and physical examination;
- · an appropriate diagnosis and recommended treat-

ment;

- a detailed and written treatment plan;
- the patient's informed consent;
- instructions for emergency and follow-up care;
- an appropriate medical record prepared and maintained;
- signed and dated written protocols detailing to a level of specificity that the person performing the procedure may readily follow; and
- signed and dated written standing orders.

Importantly, the performance of all the aforementioned must be documented in the patient's medical record.

After the patient has been properly evaluated, diagnosed and a treatment plan developed, qualified unlicensed personnel may perform a procedure only if a physician or midlevel is onsite or a physician is available in the event of an adverse outcome as previously noted.

The physician must ensure that the person performing a procedure has appropriate training in, at a minimum:

- techniques for each procedure;
- · cosmetic or cutaneous medicine;
- indications and contraindications for each procedure;
- pre-procedural and post-procedural care;
- recognition and acute management of potential complications that may result from the procedure;
   and
- infectious disease control involved with each treatment.

Regardless of who performs the procedure, the physician is responsible for the safety of the patient and all aspects of the procedure and that documentation of the procedure is timely co-signed by the supervising physician and adequately documented in the patient's medical record.

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I encourage my fellow physicians to take the time to review Board rule 193.17 as well as the Board's delegation rules under Chapter 193 more broadly. No matter how seemingly harmless some cosmetic procedures may be, there are always associated risks and potential complications that may arise. Physicians are ultimately responsible for the care and treatment provided to their patients.

#### **Stem Cell Treatment**

Another area of concern for the Medical Board is reports of individuals, including non-physicians, advertising and possibly providing stem cell treatments to patients.

In 2017, the Legislature passed <u>HB 810</u> which allows for the use of investigational stem cell treatments for patients with severe chronic diseases and terminal illnesses.

This law expressly limits stem cell treatment modality and requires that the treatment be directly administered to a qualifying patient by a physician who is part of an Independent Review Board (IRB) who is certified to provide the treatment. (See specific requirements in Health and Safety Code, Chapter 1003 and 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 198.5 and 198.6.)

Importantly, the law does not allow for this treatment to be delegated to any other provider, midlevel or nonphysician. The treatment must also be provided at a licensed hospital; licensed ambulatory surgical center; or a medical school as defined in the statute.

The Board encourages the public to file a complaint if they have knowledge of non-physicians providing stem cell treatment so that it may investigate and refer any substantiated cases to local law enforcement for possible criminal prosecution. (*To file a complaint online with the TMB, visit:* <a href="http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/place-a-complaint">http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/place-a-complaint</a>.)

We will continue working with our fellow state licensing boards to help further communicate and educate our respective licensees and the public on the requirements on the appropriate use of stem cell treatments going forward.

Dr. Sherif Zaafran, M.D., FASA

#### **Texas Medical Board President**

**Editor's Note**: The preceding article is intended for general guidance only and does not ensure compliance, constitute legal advice, or replace the text of applicable Board rules or laws.

### New Presiding Officer, PA Board Members Appointed



Crosby

In March, Governor Greg Abbott named Karrie Lynn Crosby, MPAS, PA-C, presiding officer of the Texas Physician Assistant Board. Additionally, four new board members were appointed, including Larry Hughes, Ed.D., for a term set to expire on February 1, 2025; Cameron McElhany,

Janith Mills, MPAS, PA-C, and John Scott, D.O., for terms set to expire February 1, 2023.

Karrie Lynn Crosby, of Robinson, is the Presiding Officer

of the Texas Physician Assistant Board. Crosby is a physician assistant for Southwest Sports Medicine & Orthopedics at Baylor Scott & White Medical Center – Hillcrest in Waco, Texas. Prior to her current position, she worked at the Baylor Scott & White – Hillcrest Hospital, East Texas Medical Center, and Longview Regional Hospital. She is a member of the Texas Academy of Physician Assistants, American Academy of Physician Assistants, and the Texas Orthopedic Association. She is a Past President of the

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Texas Academy of Physician Assistants. Crosby received a Bachelor of Science in Physician Assistant Studies from The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center and a Master of Physician Assistant Studies from The University of Texas-Pan American.



Hughes

Larry G. Hughes, of Frisco, is a zone vice president of operations at 7-Eleven, Inc. Prior to joining 7-Eleven, he served in a variety of leadership assignments in the retailing and hospitality sectors. Hughes previously served as a founding member of the Initiative for a Competitive Inner City

– Kansas City. He is a national board member of the Armed Services YMCA and a group leader in Bible Study Fellowship International. In addition, he serves as a life member of the National Black MBA Association and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He received an Honorable Discharge from the United States Army and Army National Guard. Hughes received a Bachelor of Science in U.S. history from the United States Military Academy at West Point, a Master of Business Administration from the University of Chicago, Master of Science in Management from Baker University, and Doctor of Education in Human and Organizational Learning from George Washington University.



McElhany

Cameron J. McElhany, of Austin, is an architectural consultant at LaForce, Inc. Prior to his current position, he worked as a sales representative for Southern Glazer's. He currently serves as vice president of the Austin chapter of the Construction Specification Institute. In addition, he is an

allied member of the American Institute of Architects.

McElhany received a Bachelor of Science in Telecommunication Media Studies from Texas A&M University.



Mills

Janith K. Mills, of Irving, is a physician assistant for the Comprehensive Epilepsy Center at Children's Medical Center in Dallas. She previously served as a physician assistant at Texas Scottish Rite Hospital. She is member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants and Texas Academy

of Physicians. She also volunteers for the street shelter ministry at St. Monica Catholic Church. Mills received a Bachelor of Arts in psychology from The University of Texas at Austin, Bachelor of Science in physician assistant from The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, and a Masters of Physician Assistant Studies from the University of Nebraska Medical Center.



Scott

John S. Scott, Jr., of Keller, is the chief marketing officer, and chairman of the board of ALLCARE Physicians
Group. He most recently served as an anesthesiologist at U.S. Anesthesia
Partners. He served as a Major in the United States Army Reserves until his Honorable Discharge. Dr. Scott serves

on the board of directors of Elite Physicians Group and Premier Physicians Group. In addition, he is a member of the Texas Society of Anesthesiologists, Delegate to the American Society of Anesthesiologists. He previously served on the Texas Medical Board's District Three Review Committee. Scott received a Bachelor of Science in biochemistry from Lamar University, a Master of Health Administration from Louisiana State University – Shreveport and a Doctor of Osteopathy from the Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine.

### New Acupuncture Board Members Appointed

Governor Greg Abbott appointed Claudine Vass to the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners in January for a term set to expire on January 31, 2021. In March, Gov. Abbott also appointed Mary Hebert, M.D., and Grant Weidler, L.Ac., for terms set to expire on January 31, 2025 and January 31, 2023, respectively.

Claudine Vass, of Sugar Land, is president of Fort Bend Pets Alive! She is a founding board member of Houston Pets Alive! and immediate past chair of the Rosenberg Animal Shelter Board of Advisors. Additionally, she volunteers for Rescue Bank. Vass received a Bachelor of Science in hotel and restaurant management from the



Hebert

Mary Hebert, of Nacogdoches, is a radiation oncologist at Nacogdoches Medical Center. She is a member of the American Society for Therapeutic Radiation Oncology, American College of Radiation Oncology, and the

American Society of Clinical Oncology. Additionally, she is a member of the American Academy of Medical Acupuncture and the Institute of Functional Medicine. Hebert received a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Doctor of Medicine from the University of North Carolina School of Medicine.



Weidler

Grant Weidler, of Spring, is an acupuncturist and owner of Magnolia Crossing Acupuncture. He is a member of the American Botanical Council and a Clinical Practice Affiliate of The American Academy of Pain Management. Additionally, he is a member of Texas Association of Acupuncture

and Oriental Medicine. Weidler received a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from Michigan Technological University and a Master of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine from The American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine.

## New TXPHP Presiding Officer, Executive Medical Dir. and Governing Board Members Named

Earlier this year, a new presiding officer of the Texas Physician Health Program (TXPHP) was named by Texas Medical Board President Dr. Sherif Zaafran. Dr. Anand Mehendale, M.D., assumed this leadership role of the TXPHP's governing board. Also during this time, Dr. John S. Jackson, M.D., served as the program's interim acting medical executive director since January.

At the Medical Board's March meeting, following TXPHP's recommendation, a permanent executive medical director, Dr. Russell Carter, M.D., was named. He started the full-time position in April. Additionally, three new TXPHP governing board members were named: Dr. Jeffrey Butts, D.O., Dr. George Willeford III, M.D., and Dr. Susan Wynne, M.D.



Mehendale

Anand Mehendale, of Kerrville, is Board Certified in Neurology, and Addiction Medicine. He completed his Neurology residency at the University of Arizona and a fellowship in Higher Cortical Dysfunction, Epilepsy, Neuropsychiatry and EEG at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in

San Antonio. He was attending Neurologist from 1982 to 1986 at Kerrville State Hospital. From 1989 to 1998 he was Chief, Neurosciences Division, and Director of Medical Services of that hospital. He was part-owner of La Hacienda Treatment Center from 1991 to 1998. He is currently in private practice of Neurology at Phoenix

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Medical Associates in Kerrville, TX. He is the Medical Director of OnTrac Relapse Prevention. He has been either appointed or elected to various leadership positions, including the Texas Physician Health Program, Governing Board of the Texas chapter of the American Society of Addiction Medicine and is past President of the Texas Chapter. Additionally, he was a member, then chair, and consultant, to the Texas Medical Association's Physician Health and Rehabilitation Committee.



**Jackson** 

John S. Jackson, of Hurst, practiced Gastroenterology in Fort Worth for 28 years, and has served on Physician Health Committees in his County (Tarrant County) Medical Society for over 30 years, on the Texas Medical Association's Physician Health Committee for over 10 years, and has

been involved with the Texas Physician Health Program since its inception. He has served as Chair of his CMS PHW Committee, Chair of the TMA PHW (then the PHR) Committee, and was the Presiding Officer of the TXPHP Governing Board at its beginning. During this time, he briefly served as Acting Medical Director.



Carter

Russell Carter, of Austin, is a Diplomate of the American Board of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation with a Subspecialty Certification in Sports Medicine, and a Diplomate of the American Board of Addiction Medicine. He graduated from the St. George's School of Medicine, and

received his MBA from the University of Texas at Austin. He completed his residency at the University of Pittsburgh and a fellowship in pain management at the Allegheny General Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA. Since 2012, chemical dependency has been the sole focus of his practice. He has, in that capacity, worked in a psychiatric hospital and several residential chemical dependency treatment centers.



**Butts** 

Jeffrey L. Butts, of Boerne, is a fellow of the American Board of Addiction Medicine and is a diplomate of the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians. He earned his undergraduate degree from The University of Texas in Austin and medical degree from Texas College of Osteo-

pathic Medicine in Fort Worth. In 2011 he opened Celebrity Care Medical Clinic in Boerne, Texas, an outpatient addiction practice that treats individuals in recovery from a substance use disorder. He established Addiction Medicine Consultants of Texas (AMCOT), PLLC in 2013. AMCOT provides addiction medicine consults, medical directorships, in-patient treatment, and aftercare to the broader treatment community.



Willeford

George Willeford III, of Austin, who served on the Texas Medical Board from 2008-2017, attended medical school at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Branch in Dallas, where he was a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha National Medical Honor Society. He completed his in-

ternship and residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital and the Dallas Veterans Administration Hospital. He is board certified in both internal medicine and gastroenterology by the American Board of Internal Medicine. He holds memberships in the Travis County Medical Society, Texas Medical Association and the American College of Physicians. He is a Fellow of the American College of Gastroenterology and has served as secretary-treasurer of the Austin Society of Internal Medicine, a member of the board of directors of the Seton Physician's Hospital Network, and a member, appointed by then-Governor George W. Bush, of the Managed Health Care Committee. He was also on the board of directors and was

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### TXPHP Governing Board Members, Cont.

chief of internal medicine at Seton Medical Center. Dr. Willeford has practiced in Austin since 1980.



Wynne

Susan Wynne, of San Antonio, is a Board-Certified Child/Adolescent and Adult Psychiatrist in private practice in San Antonio, Kerrville and Fredericksburg. She is President-Elect of the Texas Society of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and a former President of the Bexar County Psychiatric

Society. She is an Associate Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. Additional memberships include Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians, Texas Medical Association, Bexar County Medical Society, American Psychiatric Association and American Academy of Child and Adoles-

cent Psychiatry. She attended Northwestern University for college and earned her medical degree from the University of Miami School of Medicine. She completed her residency in Adult Psychiatry and fellowship in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at Tufts/New England Medical Center.

TXPHP as an independent and confidential program to serve licensees of the Texas Medical Board and other member boards with recovery and appropriate monitoring. Overseen by its own governing board of eleven members, it receives administrative assistance from the TMB such as limited operating expenses and joint efforts in representing the TXPHP before the legislature.

For more information on TXPHP, visit: <a href="http://www.txphp.state.tx.us/index.html">http://www.txphp.state.tx.us/index.html</a>

# Newsletter SubmissionPhysician Reporting from UT Health Tyler Hospital

In consideration of recent TMB newsletter articles (specifically January and July 2018), the UT Health Tyler MEC (Medical Executive Committee) has reviewed our policies and procedures regarding physician reporting. We want to share with other MEC's some of the issues we are attempting to address and our revisions to our policies in order to integrate patient safety and physician well-being (for the impaired physician). Our goal is to recognize and address impairment in a fair, confidential, and effective manner, while preserving the practitioner's well-being and, above all else, the patients' rights to safe and effective health care.

#### **I. Statutory Reporting Requirements**

The Medical Practice Act (the "Act") contains two provisions that require mandatory reporting of a physician. First, as explained in the July 2018 Bulletin, and pursuant to §160.002 of the Texas Occupations Code, a peer review committee must report the results and circum-

stances of a medical peer review as described in that statute. Specifically, §160.002 provides that a medical peer review committee or health care entity shall report in writing to the Board the results and circumstances of a medical peer review that adversely affects the clinical privileges of a physician for a period longer than 30 days. It further provides that if the committee or entity accepts a physician's surrender of clinical privileges while the physician is under an investigation by the medical peer review committee relating to possible incompetence or improper professional conduct, or in return for not conducting an investigation or proceeding relating to possible incompetence or improper professional conduct, this should be reported. Lastly, it provides that if a medical peer review adversely affects the membership of a physician in a professional society or association, if the

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medical peer review is conducted by that society or association, that likewise is a reportable event.

Second, §160.003 requires both peer review committees and individual licensees to report a physician colleague to the Board if the committee or licensee believes the physician colleague poses a "continuing threat to the public welfare through the practice of medicine." Continuing threat is defined as:

Continuing threat to the public welfare means a real danger to the health of a physician's patients or to the public from the acts or omissions of the physician caused through the physician's lack of competence, impaired status, or failure to care adequately for the physician's patients, as determined by:

- (A) the board;
- (B) a medical peer review committee in this state;
- (C) a physician licensed to practice medicine in this state or otherwise lawfully practicing medicine in this state;
- (D) a physician engaged in graduate medical education or training; or
- (E) a medical student.

§187.57 of the Board Rules provides that a real danger exists "if patients have an exposure to or risk of injury that is not merely abstract, hypothetical or remote and is based on actual actions or inaction of the physician."

#### **II. Discussion**

Our MEC has admittedly faced challenges in understanding exactly what is required in implementing a new policy that complies with the statutory provisions above. For example, with regard to the duties under §160.002, the statute raises questions regarding what does and does not "adversely" affect a physician's clinical privileges. We believe a good practice is for a facility, through its medical staff bylaws, rules, policies, or other mechanisms, to prospectively address what does and does not

"adversely" affect a physician's clinical privileges. Additionally, what constitutes an investigation is not defined. What does and does not constitute an investigation should also be defined as described above. MECs should specifically document in the minutes of applicable MEC meetings when and why an investigation of a physician is or is not initiated. It should further be clearly documented in the MEC minutes when an investigation is concluded as well as the results of the investigation.

With regard to §160.003, the Act does not define "impairment" in its reporting provisions. However, the Act provides a mandatory reporting requirement that is triggered not by impairment in-and-of-itself, but by a physician's acts or omissions caused by an impairment that could be a danger to the public through the physician's practice of medicine. It is important to note that a physician struggling with a mental health issue or substance abuse impairment is not automatically considered to pose a continuing threat to the public welfare through the practice of medicine. The Act does not require a licensee or medical peer review committee report a physician colleague facing such problems to the Board without consideration of the impairment's impact to the physician colleague's practice. The important consideration that triggers a licensee's or peer review committee's mandatory obligation to report a physician colleague (regardless of any official peer review action or investigation) is if the colleague exhibits actions or inactions due to an impairment that exposes patients to continuing risk of injury or harm.

While the analysis above has been on impaired physicians, it is important to note that a licensee's and medical peer review committee's obligation to report a physician colleague under § 160.003 is triggered any time a person or committee believes a physician poses a continuing threat to the public welfare through the practice of medicine, not only because a physician colleague is impaired. A licensee's and a peer review committee's paramount concern should be the safety of patients. It is im-

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portant to consider whether a practitioner can leave your facility and obtain privileges at another facility without disclosure of the potential impairment to such facility. The reporting requirements, whether for impairment or simply a lack of clinical competence, should be viewed with that frame of mind. Likewise, it should be recognized that a highly trained physician who is safely rehabilitated is an asset to the medical community, the state, and the public.

#### **III. Going Forward**

We believe that if a physician meets any of the mandatory statutory requirements set forth above, the physician must be reported to the Board. For those physicians who the MEC determines are not required to be reported, but for whom there remains concerns of impairment, we will require that those physicians self-report to the Texas Physician Health Program, Texas Medical Association or other similar approved program. We will then require written confirmation from the program, as well as the physician, that the physician has self-reported to an approved program and has been accepted for evaluation. If the physician refuses to comply with these requirements, the physician will be reported to the Board.

It is important to remember there is both a collective committee and individual duty with regard to reporting a potentially impaired physician. We intend to re-educate our physician staff on both of those duties going forward.

We believe that this approach provides guidance to an MEC regarding reporting to the TMB, as well as monitoring an impaired physician, and insuring patient safety.

Thank you,

**MEC** 

**UT Tyler** 

### Case Review Experts Needed

TMB is calling for physicians in all areas of medicine to serve as experts in reviewing standard of care cases.

Some specific areas of need are in the following disciplines: Cardiology (Interventional & Electrophysiology), Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Endocrinology, Family Medicine, General Internal Medicine, Gastroenterology, General Surgery (Thoracic & Vascular), Neurological Surgery, Orthopedic Spine Surgery, Otolaryngology, and Pain Management.

As an expert to the Board, your identify for any individual case will be confidential. The requirements for serving are:

- Active Texas license
- Active practice in Texas (more than 20 hours per week, 40 weeks per year)
- No history of negative peer review action or license restriction
- Acceptable malpractice history

For more information, please e-mail: Michelle.Garcia@tmb.state.tx.us

### **Board Rules**

The following rules were adopted since the publication of the previous bulletin. After publication in the TX Register, the rules with effective date will be posted on the TMB website: <a href="http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/board-rules">http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/page/board-rules</a>.
For full rule text in the Texas Administrative Code, visit: <a href="http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\$ext.viewtac">http://texreg.sos.state.tx.us/public/readtac\$ext.viewtac</a>

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#### **CHAPTER 175. FEES AND PENALTIES**

The amendments to §175.2, concerning Registration and Renewal Fees, account for changing physician assistant licensure registration from an annual to a biennial renewal period. The amendments are in accordance with Senate Bill 1625, 85th Leg. (R.S.)

#### CHAPTER 186. RESPIRATORY CARE

The amendments to **§186.4**, concerning <u>Procedural Rules and Qualifications for Certificate Applicants</u>, deletes language in subsection (a)(14)(B) and (a)(14)(E) requiring certificate applicants to pass the jurisprudence exam within three attempts.

The amendments to **§186.10**, concerning <u>Continuing Education</u> <u>Requirements</u>, clarifies when continuing education (CE) credit is granted to Respiratory Care Practitioners for completion of an academic semester unit or hour. Previously, the rule did not specify what kind of coursework qualified for this continuing education credit. The amendment makes clear that the academic semester unit or hour must be part of the curriculum of a respiratory care education program or a similar education program in another health-care related field offered by an accredited institution. Additionally, the amendment specifies that the 15 contact hour credit will be granted in nontraditional CE.

The amendments to **§186.28**, concerning Retired Certificate, deletes language in paragraph (3) requiring retired certificate holders who wish to return to active status to provide professional evaluations from each employment held before his or her certificate was placed on retired status.

CHAPTER 194. MEDICAL RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY
The amendments to §194.6, concerning Procedural Rules and
Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Applicants for a Certificate or Placement on the Board's Non-Certified Technician
General Registry, make several changes to temporary certification requirements, language related to examinations required for registration as an NCT or general or limited certification, and otherwise correct typographical errors and improve the clarity of the rule.

The amendments to **§194.10**, concerning <u>Retired Certificate or NCT General Registration Permit</u>, repeals language requiring retired certificate holders or NCTs who wish to return to active status to provide professional evaluations from each employment held before his or her certificate or registration permit was placed on retired status.

The amendments to **§194.12**, concerning <u>Standards for the Approval of Certificate Program Curricula and Instructors</u>, require all limited certificate programs to obtain accreditation by board recognized national or regional accrediting entities in order to obtain board approval. Such amendments ensure that staff resources are efficiently used, while maintaining the rigorousness of the approval process. Further, all currently approved limited training programs have such accreditation status.

The amendments to **§194.13**, concerning <u>Mandatory Training Programs for Non-Certified Technicians</u>, amend the rules related to requirements for mandatory training programs for noncertified technicians for the purpose of providing clarity on required processes for approval and renewal procedures related to programs and instructors.

The amendments to **§194.23**, concerning <u>Criminal Back-grounds</u>, amend the rules so that language is added for clarity and consistency.

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# Continuing Education Opportunities

Activity Title	Date(s)	No. of Hours	Link
8 Hour Online MAT Waiv- er Training	Expires Nov. 30, 2021	8.0 AMA PRA Category 1	https://learning.pcssnow.org/p/onlinematwaiver
Prescribing Naloxone to Patients for Overdose Re- versal	Expires Aug. 9, 2019	1.0 AOA CCME Category 2B	https://pcssnow.org/education- training/training-courses/ prescribing-naloxone-patients- overdose-reversal/
Understanding Addiction	Expires June 30, 2019	8.0 AMA PRA Category 1	https:// cmeonline.hms.harvard.edu/ courses/course- v1:HarvardMedGlobalAcademy+O UDEP1+1T2017/about
TexMed 2019 (Dallas)	May 17-18, 2019	Extent of partic- ipation –AMA PRA Category 1	https://www.texmed.org/Events/ ViewSeminars.aspx? eventcode=TEXMED19R
Case Studies in Early Lyme Disease	Expires May 22, 2020	1.0 AMA PRA Category 1	https://texmed.inreachce.com/ Details/Information/3f4f3ec9-4086 -45de-8e0e-d2d5ef958b32
Emerging Tickborne Dis- eases	Expires June 20, 2019	1.0 AMA PRA Category 1	https://www.cdc.gov/grand- rounds/pp/2017/20170321- tickborne-diseases.html

The continuing education opportunities listed above are provided only as a courtesy. TMB makes no guarantee to the quality of the content, fulfillment of credit hours for license requirement purposes, or ensure compliance with terms of any Board order or rules. As part of its 2016-2017 review of the Board, the Sunset Advisory Commission adopted a nonstatutory management action directing the Board to dedicate one page of its quarterly newsletter bulletin to three topics in continuing medical education that the Board considers relevant; at least one of the annual 12 continuing medical education topics must be related to tick-borne diseases, including Lyme disease.

### Formal Complaints

Name	Lic. No.	Date Filed	Allegations
White, Stephen Vincent, M.D., Spring	D7711	1/14/19	Unprofessional conduct; violation of Board rules; improper supervision or delegation.
Fogel, Guy Rutledge, M.D., San Antonio	J5322	2/4/19	Failure to meet standard of care; unprofessional conduct; inadequate medical records.
Chavason, Arthur Arrit, M.D., Dallas	M7104	2/5/19	Unprofessional conduct; peer review action; inadequate medical records.
Dutta, Suresh Venkayya, M.D., San Antonio	L1024	2/13/19	Failure to meet standard of care; inadequate medical records.
Broder, Lawrence D., M.D., Cedar Park	L2154	3/11/19	Failure to meet standard of care; violation of Board rules; unprofessional conduct; improper supervision or delegation; inadequate medical records.
Courtney, Stephen Paul, M.D., Plano	J1639	3/13/19	Failure to meet standard of care; violation of Board rule; inadequate medical records.
Love, Christopher L., M.D., Fredericksburg	L5028	4/10/19	Failure to meet standard of care; unprofessional conduct.
Dearmin, Christopher Carl, RCP, Odessa	RCP00068915	4/16/19	Unprofessional conduct; criminal conviction.
Garcia, Carlos O., RCP, San Anto- nio	RCP00074377	4/16/19	Unprofessional conduct; violation of prior Board order; violation of Board rules.
Hurt, Terra Renee, MRT, Abilene	GMR00027740	4/16/19	Unprofessional conduct; criminal conviction.
Mendoza, Enrique, NCT, Fort Worth	NCR00163297	4/16/19	Unprofessional conduct; criminal conviction.
Vincent, Stacey, RCP, Pearland	RCP00076316	4/16/19	Unprofessional conduct; criminal activity.
Hussein, Adnan Jawhar, M.D., Houston	K3756	5/9/19	Unprofessional conduct; violation of prior Board order.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**



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### Disciplinary Actions

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#### TEMPORARY SUSPENSION/RESTRICTION

#### Berry, Alison Joan, M.D., Lic. No. F3757, San Antonio

On February 4, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, with notice, the Texas medical license of Alison Joan Berry, M.D., after determining her continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. Berry suffers from an impairment due to alcohol abuse/dependence. Dr. Berry had entered into an agreement with the Board to undergo random screening and to monitor compliance; however, Dr. Berry violated the terms of her agreement with the Board by testing positive and missing screens on multiple occasions and failing to cooperate with Board staff. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Galindo, Eugenio G., M.D., Lic. No. J1667, McAllen

On March 19, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily restricted, with notice, the Texas medical license of Eugenio G. Galindo, M.D., after determining his continuation in the unrestricted practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The restriction was effective immediately. Dr. Galindo is prohibited from diagnosing, examining or treating female patients or providing any consultation for the treatment of any female patient. This includes delegating the diagnosis, examination or treatment of any female patient to any midlevel providers or unlicensed individuals. Additionally, Dr. Galindo shall have no contact with any of the individual complainants in this matter. The Board panel found, based on the evidence, that the allegations pending against Dr. Galindo are serious and supported by sworn testimony before the panel. Dr. Galindo was arrested by the Edinburg Police Department on December 6, 2018, on two charges of sexual assault and one count of attempted sexual assault involving patients and employees. The temporary restriction remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Hallett, Robert Victor, M.D., Lic. No. L9581, Lufkin

On February 20, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily restricted, with notice, the Texas medical license of Robert Victor Hallett, M.D., after determining his continuation in the unrestricted practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The restriction was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. Hallett's temporary suspension entered on January 3, 2019 due to impairment issues shall be lifted for the sole purpose of a KSTAR assessment but that he shall be restricted from any and all practice. The temporary restriction remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Hayes, Leo M., D.O., Lic. No. K2486, Houston

On March 28, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily restricted, without notice, the Texas medical license of Leo M. Hayes, D.O., after determining his continuation in the unrestricted practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The restriction was effective immediately. Dr. Hayes is prohibited from administering, distributing or prescribing Schedule II controlled substances in Texas. The Board panel found that Dr. Hayes is prescribing at a high volume, a majority of which were Schedule II controlled substances, including opioids. Dr. Hayes is not registered as a pain management clinic as required. A temporary restriction hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Hayes, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Hayes. The temporary restriction remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Lairmore, Terry C., M.D., Lic. No. M1193, Belton

On January 3, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of Terry C. Lairmore, M.D., after determining his continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. Lairmore has potentially participated in patient care while under the influence of controlled substances, and based on his termination by a licensed health care entity, the evidence shows Dr. Lairmore may pose a threat to patient safety. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Lairmore, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Lairmore. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### O'Brien, Michael Francis, M.D., Lic. No. N5289, Dallas

On February 15, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of Michael Francis O'Brien, M.D., after determining his continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. O'Brien is not able to practice medicine due to past medical incidents that impaired his ability to safely practice medicine, and is in violation of his Texas Physician Health Program Monitoring and Assistance Agreement for failing to undergo required drug and alcohol testing and for testing positive on two occasions. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. O'Brien, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. O'Brien. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Parde, Andrea, M.D., Lic. NO. Q4485, Lincoln, NE

On January 3, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical

license of Andrea Parde, M.D., after determining her continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. Parde agreed to a suspension of her Nebraska medical license on or about October 20, 2018. The action by Nebraska was the result of allegations that Dr. Parde had abused or was dependent on alcohol or controlled substances and had improperly obtained controlled substances. Dr. Parde has failed to cooperate with the Board's investigation related to the Nebraska action. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Parde, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Parde. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Peel, Garrett Keith, M.D., Lic. No. N3987, Beaumont

On April 23, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily restricted, with notice, the Texas medical license of Garrett Keith Peel, M.D., after determining his continuation in the unrestricted practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The restriction was effective immediately. Dr. Peel is prohibited from performing any surgical cases involving the breast, including, but not limited to lumpectomies, mastectomies, reconstruction, augmentation, and implantation. The Board panel found, based on evidence provided, that Dr. Peel has established a pattern of patient care that deviates significantly from the applicable standard of care in his surgical practices. The temporary restriction remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### Vermillion, David L., M.D., Lic. No. L9588, Lubbock

On February 15, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of David L. Vermillion, M.D., after determining his continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. Vermillion has failed multiple drug tests, and has three recent arrests for violating a Protective Order while on community supervision. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Vermillion, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Vermillion. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

### Villarreal, Juan Antonio, M.D., Lic. No. H3292, Corpus Christi

On February 5, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of Juan Antonio Villarreal, M.D., after determining his continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Dr. Villarreal was arrested by the Corpus Christi Police Department on December 17, 2018 on three felony charges of sexual assault and the case has been referred to the Nueces County District Attorney for prosecution. Based on evidence that Dr. Villarreal has been arrested and indicted on felony sexual assault charges, the panel finds an imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare. A temporary

suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Villarreal, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Villarreal. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

#### **QUALITY OF CARE**

#### Cox, Derrick Dione, M.D., Lic. No. P7262, El Paso

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Derrick Dione Cox, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within one year complete at least 16 hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in medical recordkeeping, four hours in risk management, four hours in ethics and four hours in treating acute abdominal conditions; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000. The Board found Dr. Cox failed to diagnose a patient's ruptured appendix and discharged the patient, delaying treatment.

### Freiha, Ghassan Shawki, M.D., Lic. No. J6439, New Braunfels

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Ghassan Shawki Freiha, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Freiha and requiring him to within one year complete at least 16 hours of in-person CME, divided as follows: eight hours in risk management and eight hours in patient communication; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000. The Board found Dr. Freiha violated the standard of care with regard to a urology patient for whom he performed a transurethral resection of the prostate. Specifically, Dr. Freiha failed to properly evaluate and examine the patient, which resulted in a delayed diagnosis of prostate cancer.

#### Gill, Zeba, M.D., Lic. No. K1448, San Antonio

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Zeba Gill, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring her to have her practice monitored by another physician for eight consecutive monitoring cycles; within one year complete at least eight hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in evaluation of abnormal urinalysis and four hours in risk management; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000. The Board found Dr. Gill violated the standard of care for a patient by not ordering confirmatory testing to assess renal disease, refer the patient to a urologist or order CT urography for a patient who was diagnosed with bladder cancer.

#### Markman, Bruce Scott, M.D., Lic. No. Q6230, Allen

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Bruce Scott Markman, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within a year complete at least 12 hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in communications, four hours in post-operative complications and four hours in risk management. The Board found Dr. Markman treated a patient for a grade I open comminuted fracture of the distal humerus and failed to timely follow-up with concerns expressed by the nurse of circulation and perfusion issues a few days following surgery.

#### Morshedi, Brandon, M.D., Lic. No. Q5698, Dallas

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Brandon Morshedi, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order Upon Formal Filing publicly reprimanding Dr. Morshedi and requiring him to within one year complete at least 12 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in presentation of sepsis in pediatric patients ages 0 to 5 years old and four hours in ear, nose and throat infections in school-aged children. The Board found Dr. Morshedi failed to meet the standard of care in the assessment and treatment of a pediatric patient who died from bacterial meningitis after being discharged. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

#### Nasur, Ali Mohammed, M.D., Lic. No. P4685, El Paso

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Ali Mohamed Nasur, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete the Medical Record Keeping Seminar offered by the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians (CPEP); and have his practice monitored by another physician for 12 consecutive monitoring cycles. The Board found Dr. Nasur violated the standard of care for the treatment of four patients and failed to maintain adequate medical records.

#### Wadiwala, Irfan Ibrahim, D.O., Lic. No. N0535, Houston

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Irfan Ibrahim Wadiwala, D.O., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; and within one year complete at least 24 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in medical recordkeeping, eight hours in risk management and eight hours in physician-patient communication. The Board found Dr. Wadiwala failed to meet the standard of care for a patient when he failed to provide appropriate post-operative care following a revised gastric sleeve procedure and failed to keep adequate medical records.

#### **UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT**

Mulla, Nabeel Mushtaq, M.D., Lic. No. BP10054530, El Paso On March 1, 2019, the Board and Nabeel Mushtaq Mulla, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Mulla. The Board found Dr. Mulla was terminated from his residency program as a result of a felony arrest to which he later pled guilty to a second degree felony charge and received an order of deferred adjudication.

Ngwu, Samuel C., M.D., Lic. No. K2087, Enugu, Enugu, Nigeria On March 1, 2019, the Board entered a Final Order regarding Samuel C. Ngwu, M.D., requiring him to within 60 days mail apology letters to two patients; within one year complete at least four hours of CME in risk management; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000. The Board found Dr. Ngwu failed to comply with Board rules regarding the closure of a medical practice, failed to produce medical and/or billing records for several patients, and failed to cooperate with Board staff. The action was based on the findings of an Administrative Law Judge at the State Office of Administrative

Hearings. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at SOAH.

#### Valenzuela, Rafael E., M.D., Lic. No. F7948, Houston

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Rafael E. Valenzuela, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order under the following terms: for a period of five years Dr. Valenzuela is prohibited from supervising delegates and is prohibited from prescriptive delegation authority; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within one year complete at least 24 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in risk management, eight hours in medical ethics and eight hours in supervision. The Board found Dr. Valenzuela aided and abetted in the unlicensed practice of medicine.

#### Weaver, Kevinn Len, M.D., Lic. No. K5024, Dallas

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Kevinn Len Weaver, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within 45 days obtain a Board-approved psychiatrist and undergo an Independent Medical Evaluation and follow all recommendations made for care and treatment; abstain from the consumption of prohibited substances as defined by the Order; and participate in the Board's drug testing program. The Board found Dr. Weaver displayed unprofessional conduct based on a pattern of disruptive and inappropriate behavior from 2012 to 2018.

#### REVOCATION

#### Olusola, Benedict O., M.D., Lic. No. J7118, DeSoto

On March 1, 2019, the Board entered a Final Order regarding Benedict O. Olusola, M.D., revoking his Texas medical license. The Board found Dr. Olusola violated his previous orders which included providing false information regarding his practice. Dr. Olusola was practicing in violation of the imposed restrictions on his practice. The action was based on the findings of an Administrative Law Judge at the State Office of Administrative Hearings. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at SOAH.

#### **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER/REVOCATION**

Allibone, George William, M.D., Lic. No. F6384, Houston
On March 1, 2019, the Board and George William Allibone, M.D.,
entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which
Dr. Allibone agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical
license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Allibone
was under investigation for his assessment, care and treatment
of patients.

Karuparthy, Venkateswara, M.D., Lic. No. J6143, Rock Island, IL On March 1, 2019, the Board and Venkateswara Karuparthy, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Karuparthy agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Karuparthy was under investigation by the Board regarding allegations that his license to practice medicine in Illinois was suspended for allegations related to sexual misconduct.

Mencer-Parks, Melanie Lynn, M.D., Lic. No. K7454, Houston On March 1, 2019, the Board and Melanie Lynn Mencer-Parks, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Revocation in which Dr. Mencer-Parks agreed to the voluntary revocation of her Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Mencer-Parks was sentenced to one year and one day in federal prison related to a felony health care fraud conviction. She is currently incarcerated in the Aliceville Federal Correctional Institution in Aliceville, AL.

#### Oei, Joseph, M.D., Lic. No. E6867, Midland

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Joseph Oei, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Revocation in which Dr. Oei agreed to the voluntary revocation of his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Oei was under investigation for allegations of prescribing large volumes of controlled substances without adequate evaluation, indication and monitoring.

Pham, Amy Quynh Trang, M.D., Lic. No. P8525, Nacogdoches On March 1, 2019, the Board and Amy Quynh Trang Pham, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Pham agreed to voluntarily surrender her Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Pham was under investigation for allegations she surrendered her South Carolina medical license and was in violation of her June 2018 Order with the Board.

Williams, Kevin Alexander, M.D., Lic. No. K8575, Ennis
On March 1, 2019, the Board and Kevin Alexander Williams,
M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in
which Dr. Williams agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas
medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr.
Williams was under investigation after an order was entered by
the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation against Dr. Williams for prescribing compounded
medications that were not reasonable and/or medically necessary.

#### **SUSPENSION**

#### Barker, Wade Neal, M.D., Lic. No. J1859, Mesquite

On April 29, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter an Order of Suspension By Operation of Law, suspending Wade Neal Barker, M.D.'s Texas medical license. The Board found Dr. Barker pled guilty to Conspiracy to Pay and Receive Health Care Bribes and Kickbacks, and to Travel Act and Aiding and Abetting (Commercial Bribery). Dr. Barker currently awaits sentencing. The order remains in effect until superseded by subsequent order of the Board.

#### Brish, Eldor, M.D., Lic. No. N5593, Houston

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Eldor Brish, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Suspension in which Dr. Brish's Texas medical license shall remain suspended until such a time as his criminal proceeding in U.S. District Court, and any other

criminal proceedings filed during the pendency of this Order are resolved. Dr. Brish shall continue to comply with all terms and conditions of his Interim Monitoring Agreement with the Board. The Board found Dr. Brish, who was previously temporarily suspended for operating an unregistered pain management clinic, is currently under indictment on charges of Conspiracy to Unlawfully Distribute and Dispense Controlled Substances, a felony.

Green, Edwin Alfred, Jr., M.D., Lic. No. K1826, Brownwood On January 17, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter an Automatic Suspension Order, suspending Edwin Alfred Green Jr., M.D.'s Texas medical license until such a time as he requests in writing to have the suspension lifted and provides evidence that indicates he has entered into an agreement with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) for repayment of the loan and to cure the default. The Board found Dr. Green was in default of his student loan with the THECB. The order remains in effect until superseded by subsequent order of the Board.

### Grusd, Ronald Selwyn, M.D., Lic. No. F1040, Los Angeles, California

On December 14, 2018, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter an Order of Suspension By Operation of Law, suspending Ronald Selwyn Grusd, M.D.'s Texas medical license. The Board found Dr. Grusd was sentenced to ten years in federal prison after he was found guilty by jury trial on 39 felony charges, including one count of Conspiracy to Commit Healthcare Fraud and 14 counts of Health Care Fraud. The order remains in effect until superseded by subsequent order of the Board.

#### Ramirez, John P., M.D., Lic. No. H0743, Houston

On January 28, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter an Order of Suspension By Operation of Law, suspending John P. Ramirez, M.D.'s Texas medical license. The Board found that on or around September 18, 2018, Dr. Ramirez was found guilty on one count of conspiracy to commit health care fraud and three counts of making false statements relating to health care matters after a trial by jury. The order remains in effect until superseded by subsequent order of the Board.

#### Williams, Brianne Nicole, M.D., Lic. No. M8428, Lubbock On March 1, 2019, the Board and Brianne Nicole Williams, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Suspension, suspending Dr.

Williams' Texas medical license until such a time as she requests in writing to have the suspension stayed or lifted and appears before the Board to provide evidence that she is physically, mentally, and otherwise competent to safely practice medicine. Such evidence shall include evidence of drug screen tests for one full calendar year indicating that Dr. Williams has not used and is not currently using alcohol or controlled substances. Dr. Williams had previously been temporarily suspended due to non-compliance with the Texas Physician Health Program for substance use issues.

#### RESTRICTION

#### Cohn, Joseph, M.D., Lic. No. K4664, Corpus Christi

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Joseph Cohn, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order Granting Termination of Suspension, lifting Dr. Cohn's suspension and placing him under the following terms for a period of 10 years: abstain from the consumption of prohibited substances as defined in the Order; participate in the Board's drug testing program; shall limit his practice, including any office and inpatient practice, to a group or institutional setting approved in advance; within 30 days obtain a Boardapproved treating psychologist/counselor and follow all recommendations for care and treatment; and participate in the activities of Alcoholics Anonymous no less than five times per week. The Board found Dr. Cohn, who has a history of alcohol abuse and was previously suspended due to these issues, has maintained sobriety for more than a year. This order supersedes the Order of Temporary Suspension entered on January 31, 2018, and the Agreed Order of Voluntary Suspension entered on March 2, 2018.

Pendleton, Michael Jerome, M.D., Lic. No. L4091, Corpus Christi On March 1, 2019, the Board and Michael Jerome Pendleton, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order suspending Dr. Pendleton's Texas medical license, however the suspension is stayed and he is placed on probation under the following terms: shall not reregister or otherwise obtain controlled substances registrations without Board approval; shall not treat patients for either acute or chronic pain as defined by Board rule; limit his medical practice, including any office and inpatient practice, to a group or institutional setting approved in advance by the Board; and shall not be permitted to supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to a physician assistant or advanced practice nurse or supervise a surgical assistant. The Board found Dr. Pendleton was charged and pled guilty to one felony count of furnishing false information on dispensed controlled substances records and was sentenced to 60 months of probation and ordered to pay a fine.

#### NONTHERAPEUTIC PRESCRIBING

#### Lampley, Joseph Carver, D.O., Lic. No. J9149, Hamlin

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Joseph Carver Lampley, D.O., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order under the following terms: shall not treat patients for chronic pain as defined by Board rule or engage in the practice of pain management; shall not prescribe, administer, or dispense any controlled substances to any patient for more than 72 hours; shall not treat or otherwise serve as a physician for his immediate family and shall not prescribe, administer, or dispense any controlled substances or dangerous drugs with addictive potential to himself or his immediate family; shall have his practice monitored by another physician for eight consecutive monitoring cycles; within 30 days obtain an independent medical evaluation from a Board-approved psychiatrist and follow all recommendations for care and treatment; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within one year complete at least 24 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in ethics, eight hours in rec-

ognizing drug-seeking behavior and eight hours in medical recordkeeping; within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$2,000; and shall not supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to a physician assistant or advanced nurse practitioner or supervise a surgical assistant. The Board found Dr. Lampley inappropriately prescribed narcotic medications to a family member beyond immediate need and without appropriate indication or monitoring. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

#### **IMPROPER PRESCRIBING**

#### Garduno, Abel, Jr., M.D., Lic. No. K5299, Plano

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Abel Garduno, Jr., M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete at least eight hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in risk management and four hours in ethics; and within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam. The Board found Dr. Garduno prescribed controlled substances or dangerous drugs to two family members and a female with whom he had a close personal relationship for periods beyond 72 hours, failed to maintain appropriate medical records, wrote fraudulent prescriptions to treat his dog, and failed to disclose his ownership interest in a laboratory to his patients.

#### PEER REVIEW ACTION

#### Syn, David, M.D., Lic. No. L5583, Lubbock

On March 1, 2019, the Board and David Syn, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order Upon Formal Filing publicly reprimanding Dr. Syn and requiring him to within 30 days pay an administrative penalty of \$2,000. The Board found Dr. Syn was subject to peer review action that arose from allegations Dr. Syn failed to arrange on call coverage for a post-operative patient who suffered complications leading to death. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

#### **VIOLATION OF PRIOR BOARD ORDER**

#### Skie, Gregory, M.D., Lic. No. G5617, Arlington

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Gregory Skie, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Skie and requiring him to have his practice monitored for an additional two monitoring cycles following completion of the cycles from his 2017 Order; and shall within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$2,500. The Board found Dr. Skie violated his 2017 Order by failing to produce medical records for chart review and failed to cooperate with Board staff.

#### **OTHER STATE'S ACTIONS**

Atwal, Maninderjit, M.D., Lic. No. N9804, Elk Grove, CA On March 1, 2019, the Board and Maninderjit Atwal, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order prohibiting him from practicing in Texas, including telemedicine on Texas patients, until such a time as he requests permission in writing and appears before

the Board to provide evidence he is physically, mentally, and otherwise competent to safely practice medicine. Evidence shall at a minimum include his compliance with all terms and conditions of the order entered by the Medical Board of California (MBC). The Board found Dr. Atwal was disciplined by the MBC and his licensed restricted due to gross negligence.

Chisty, Khaja, M.D., Lic. No. Q3862, West Palm Beach, FL On March 1, 2019, the Board and Khaja Chisty, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order prohibiting Dr. Chisty from practicing medicine, including telemedicine, in Texas until he requests in writing and appears before the Board to provide evidence that he is physically, mentally, and otherwise competent to safely practice medicine. Evidence shall include at a minimum that he is in full compliance with all terms and conditions of the Colorado Medical Board (CMB) Order. The Board found Dr. Chisty was disciplined by the CMB and his license restricted due to unprofessional conduct and inappropriate prescribing.

## Greenwood, Denise Rochelle, M.D., Lic. No. J7977, Little Rock, AR

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Denise Rochelle Greenwood, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order reinstating her license, however her license is suspended and she shall not practice medicine in Texas, nor on patients that reside in Texas or that are physically located in Texas, regardless of her physical presence outside of Texas, nor shall she use her Texas license to practice medicine in any other jurisdiction, including for the federal government, the military or any federal agency. The Board found the Arkansas State Medical Board rescinded the revocation of Dr. Greenwood's license placing her under a restriction. The Board had previously entered a Final Order revoking Dr. Greenwood's Texas license based upon her Arkansas license being revoked due to her violation of an Arkansas Medical Board order.

#### Thomas, Vanessa, M.D., Lic. No. N2842, Daphne, AL

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Vanessa Thomas, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order prohibiting Dr. Thomas from practicing in Texas, including telemedicine on Texas patients, until such a time as she requests permission in writing and appears before the Board to provide evidence she is physically, mentally, and otherwise competent to safely practice medicine. Evidence shall at a minimum include her compliance with all terms and conditions of the order entered by the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners (ABME). The Board found Dr. Thomas was disciplined by the ABME and her licensed restricted due to unprofessional conduct related to prescribing controlled substances.

#### **VIOLATION OF BOARD RULES**

#### Tariq, Mohammad J., M.D., Lic. No. K1092, Irving

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Mohammad J. Tariq, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete at least 24 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in drug-seeking behavior, eight hours in risk management

and eight hours in medical records; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000. The Board found Dr. Tariq failed a pain management clinic inspection by not maintaining proper pain management agreements and failing to appropriately document his care and/or maintain a complete medical record for several patients.

Windrow, Matthew John, M.D., Lic. No. K3041, Hondo
On March 1, 2019, the Board and Matthew John Windrow, M.D.,
entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year
complete at least 20 hours of CME, divided as follows: four
hours in risk management, eight hours in patient drug-seeking,
four hours in medical recordkeeping and four hours in treating
chronic pain; and have his practice monitored by another physician for four consecutive monitoring cycles. The Board found Dr.
Windrow failed to treat a patient according to the generally accepted standard of care and comply with Board Rule 170, relat-

form a thorough examination and document justification for his prescription of controlled substances, failed to refer the patient to a pain specialist and failed to maintain adequate medical records.

ed to the treatment of chronic pain. Dr. Windrow failed to per-

#### **INADEQUATE MEDICAL RECORDS**

### Hussain, Syed K., M.D., Lic. No. M1157, Brownsville

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Syed K. Hussain, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to have his practice monitored by another physician for four consecutive monitoring cycles. The Board found Dr. Hussain failed to keep adequate medical records for a patient.

#### Le, Truc, Jr., D.O., Lic. No. K6479, Houston

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Truc Le, Jr., D.O., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete the medical recordkeeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; within one year complete at least four hours of CME, divided as follows: two hours in treating a patient suffering from General Anxiety Disorder and two hours in treating ADHD; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000. The Board found Dr. Le's medical records lacked sufficient detail in describing treatment decisions and their rationale.

#### TXPHP VIOLATION

#### Looney, Warren Hunter, M.D., Lic. No. N8028, Lufkin

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Warren Hunter Looney, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to abstain from the consumption of prohibited substances as defined in the order; participate in the Board's drug testing program; participate in the activities of a county or state medical society committee on physician health and rehabilitation; within 30 days obtain a Board-approved treating psychiatrist and follow all recommendations made for care and treatment; and participate in the ac-

tivities of Alcoholics Anonymous no less than one time per week. The Board found Dr. Looney failed to cooperate with the Texas Physician Health Program monitoring agreement.

#### **IMPAIRMENT**

#### Brock, Robert James, M.D., Lic. No. E2483, Kileen

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Robert James Brock, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within 60 days obtain a Board-approved psychiatrist and undergo an Independent Medical Evaluation and follow all recommendations made for care and treatment. The Board found concerns with Dr. Brock's mental health based on the allegations made against him and his presentation and responses to questions.

#### **CEASE AND DESIST**

#### Pearson-Haas, Andrea, No License, Richardson

On March 22, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter a Cease and Desist Order regarding Andrea Pearson-Haas, prohibiting her from practicing medicine in the state of Texas without a medical license issued by the Texas Medical Board. Ms. Pearson-Haas shall not refer to herself as a doctor or physician in any manner, including by referring to herself as "doctor," or "Dr.," and shall not use any letters, words, or terms affixed on stationary, clothing, media, websites, including social media, or in any other manner, to indicated she is entitled to practice medicine when she is not licensed to do so. The Board found Ms. Pearson-Haas was indicted in Harris County, Texas, for the unauthorized practice of medicine between August 29, 2017 and September 5, 2017, related to her impersonating a physician at a Hurricane Harvey shelter in Dallas, Texas.

#### Rogers, Charles L., No License, Dripping Springs

On March 27, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter a Cease and Desist Order regarding Charles L. Rogers, prohibiting him from practicing medicine in the state of Texas without a license issued by the Texas Medical Board. Mr. Rogers shall cease and desist using the titles Doctor, Medical Doctor, Physician or Oncologist unless and until he is licensed by the Texas Medical Board. The Board found Mr. Rogers owned and operated www.doctorofhope.com, where he advertised care and treatment of stage 4 cancer and operated a clinic where he made-up a treatment called "CancerEnd™". Mr. Rogers also identified himself online as Charles L. Rogers, M.D., Oncologist. He is not an M.D., an Oncologist, nor qualified to treat cancer or any other medical condition.

#### Shafi, Tariq, No License, Houston

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Tariq Shafi, entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting Mr. Shafi from practicing medicine in the state of Texas without a license issued by the Texas Medical Board. Mr. Shafi shall also cease and desist from identifying himself as a doctor, unless also clearly designating the authority under which the title is issued for the college or honorary degree that gives rise to the use of the title.

The Board found Mr. Shafi held himself out as a licensed physician and by offering to diagnose and/or treat medical conditions.

#### Trane, Matthew, No License, Dallas

On March 1, 2019, the Board and Matthew Trane, entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting Mr. Trane from practicing medicine in the state of Texas without a license issued by the Texas Medical Board. The Board found Mr. Trane engaged in the unlicensed practice of medicine.

#### Weygandt, Debbie, No License, Rockwall

On March 8, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter a Cease and Desist Order regarding Debbie Weygandt, prohibiting her from practicing medicine in the state of Texas without a license issued by the Texas Medical Board. Ms. Weygandt shall not hold herself out as a physician or doctor in the state of Texas and will not use any letters, words, or terms affixed on stationary, media, websites, including social media, or in any other manner, to indicate that she is entitled to practice medicine when she is not licensed to do so. The Board found Ms. Weygandt violated the Act by holding herself out as a doctor and by offering to diagnose and/or treat medical conditions through her website.

# Texas Physician Assistant Board Disciplinary Actions

Buller, Keith Anthony, P.A., Lic. No. PA04490, Alexandria, LA On March 29, 2019, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Keith Anthony Buller, P.A., entered into an Agreed Order prohibiting Mr. Buller from treating any pediatric patient under the age of 18. Mr. Buller may not seek modification or termination of this restriction while he is required to register as a sex offender in any jurisdiction. Upon termination of sex offender registration and successful completion of all terms of his probation, Mr. Buller may appear before the Board to show by clear and convincing evidence, at a minimum to include a full forensic psychiatric evaluation by a Board-approved psychiatrist, that he is safe to treat pediatric patients. Mr. Buller shall within one year complete the physician boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; and he shall comply with all terms of his criminal probation and requirements of his sexual offender registry. The Board found Mr. Buller pled guilty to the crime of "carnal knowledge" of a minor in Louisiana and has registered as a sex offender as required by his plea agreement. Mr. Buller was also disciplined by the Louisiana State Medical Board for violations related to his abuse and diversion of controlled substances.

Cook, Thomas Ralph, P.A., Lic. No. PA05138, San Antonio
On March 29, 2019, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and
Thomas Ralph Cook, P.A., entered into an Agreed Modification

Order, modifying Mr. Cook's March 24, 2017 Order, as modified by the March 30, 2018 Order. The modification extends the time before Mr. Cook may petition the Board for termination or modification of his practice chaperone; requires him to complete the in-person CME no later than September 30, 2018; and restricts his practice to a group or institutional setting approved in advance by the Board. The Board found Mr. Cook violated his 2017 order by making a house call on a patient without the presence of chaperone and failed to complete his required CME in ethics. All other terms of the 2017 order, as modified by the 2018 order, remain in full effect.

#### Locke, Tiffany Goran, P.A., Lic. No. PA04364, Midland

On March 29, 2019, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Tiffany Goran Locke, PA., entered into an Agreed Order requiring her to within seven days surrender her DEA controlled substances registration certificates and not petition the Board for permission to reapply for two years and not before first completing at least 16 hours of CME in prescribing controlled substances; shall not treat or otherwise serve as a physician assistant for her immediate family and shall not prescribe, dispense, administer or authorize controlled substances or dangerous drugs with addictive potential to herself or her immediate family and may not seek modification of this provision for two years; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within 30 days provide all prescriptive authority agreements and protocols with all supervising physicians; and within one year complete at least 44 hours of CME, divided as follows: 24 hours inperson in general family practice, eight hours in medical recordkeeping, four hours in provider-patient communication, four hours in risk management and four hours in HIPAA. The Board found Ms. Locke failed to appropriately treat hypertension in a patient who was being treated with weight loss medications, failed to maintain adequate medical records, communicated with the patient by inappropriate methods including social media; prescribed and treated patients while her license was expired and her DEA registrations were invalid and prescribed controlled substances to someone with whom she has a close personal relationship beyond the period of immediate need.

#### Mayer, Darren Michael, P.A., Lic. No. PA07087, Amarillo

On March 29, 2019, the Texas Physician Assistant Board entered a Default Order regarding Darren Michael Mayer, P.A., which revoked his Texas physician assistant license. On July 13, 2018, the Board filed a Complaint with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH), alleging unprofessional conduct. Mr. Mayer failed to appear at the SOAH hearing and no responsive pleading was ever filed by Mr. Mayer. The Board granted a Determination of Default and Mr. Mayer's license was revoked by Default Order. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at SOAH. Mr. Mayer has 25 days from the service of the order to file a motion for rehearing.

#### Sigler, Chaim, P.A., Lic. No. PA06671, Houston

On May 10, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Physician Assistant Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas physician assistant license of Chaim Sigler, P.A., after determining his continuation in the practice as a physician assistant poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found, based on the evidence, Mr. Sigler engaged in sexual contact with a patient during the course of a physical examination. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Mr. Sigler, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Mr. Sigler. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

### Swenson, Craig J., P.A., Lic. No. PA03776, Corpus Christi On March 29, 2019, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Craig J. Swenson, P.A., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Mr. Swenson agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas physician assistant license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Mr. Swenson, who had previously been

temporarily suspended, was under investigation for impairment issues.

### Trabon, Ashley Anne, P.A., Lic. No. PA07313, Fort Worth On March 29, 2019, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Ashley Anne Trabon, P.A., entered into an Agreed Order publicly referring her to the Texas Physician Health Program. The Board found Mr. Trabon was subject to disciplinary action by her employer due to impairment.

### **Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners Disciplinary Actions**

Thompson, David Scott, L.Ac., Lic. No. AC01492, The Woodlands

On February 1, 2019, the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners and David Scott Thompson, L.Ac., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary and Permanent Surrender in which Mr. Thompson agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas acupuncture license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Mr. Thompson was under investigation for allegations of a boundaries violation with a patient.

# **Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology Disciplinary Actions**

Angelo, Samuel Chris, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00000253, Houston On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and Samuel Chris Angelo, MRT, entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Mr. Angelo agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas radiologic technologist certificate in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Mr. Angelo is

alleged to suffer from an impairment which could affect his ability to safely practice.

Briseno, Adrian Antonio, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00092824, El Paso On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and Adrian Antonio Briseno, MRT, entered into an Agreed Order public reprimanding Mr. Briseno and requiring him to comply with all terms of his Order of Deferred Adjudication, including his community supervision and report compliance to Board staff; and within 90 days pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000. The Board found Mr. Briseno pled guilty to aggravated assault of a family member and was sentenced to two years of deferred adjudication and community supervision.

Cirilo, Jose Eddie, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00096566, Dickinson
On April 4, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical radiologic technologist license of Jose Eddie Cirilo, MRT, after determining his continuation in the practice of medical radiologic technology poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that Mr. Cirilo was arrested on or about February 20, 2019, in Galveston County, for possession of child pornography, a third degree felony. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Mr. Cirilo, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Mr. Cirilo. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

Hawkins, Jackie, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00019682, Humble
On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic
Technology and Jackie Hawkins, MRT, entered into an Agreed
Order under the following terms: shall not engage in the practice
of performing radiologic technology procedures on pediatric
patients under the age of 18; and shall comply with all terms of
his community supervision and report compliance to Board staff.
The Board found Mr. Hawkins engaged in unprofessional conduct based on past arrests.

Johnson, Sakeanah, NCT, Lic. No. NCR02000032, Denton
On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic
Technology and Sakeanah Johnson, NCT, entered into an Agreed
Voluntary Surrender Order in which Ms. Johnson agreed to be
voluntarily removed from the Texas Non-Certified Radiological
Technician Registry in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings.
The Board alleged Ms. Jonson was convicted of misdemeanor
assault/family violence.

## Martinez, Vanessa Ann, MRT, Lic. No. GMR02000147, San Antonio

On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology entered a Default Order regarding Vanessa Ann Martinez, MRT, which revoked her Texas medical radiologic technologist certificate. On July 30, 2018, the Board filed a Complaint with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH), alleging Ms. Martinez' violated the Act and Board rules. Ms. Martinez failed to appear at the SOAH hearing and no respon-

sive pleading was ever filed by Ms. Martinez. The Board granted a Determination of Default and Ms. Martinez' certificate was revoked by Default Order. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at SOAH. Ms. Martinez has 25 days from the service of the order to file a motion for rehearing.

Nevarez, Reymundo, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00014572, El Paso On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and Reymundo Nevarez, MRT, entered into a Modified Agreed Order, modifying Mr. Nevarez's 2017 Order. The modification lifts Mr. Nevarez's suspension and places him under the following terms for a period of ten years: abstain from the consumption of prohibited substances as defined in the Order, participate in the Board's drug testing program, participate in the activities of Alcoholics Anonymous no less than three times per week, complete and comply with all terms of his Deferred Adjudication and his agreement with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists and provide compliance documentation to Board staff, and within 30 days obtain a Boardapproved treating psychologist and follow all recommendations for care and treatment. Mr. Nevarez was under a suspension order for a substance abuse problem which led him to committing crimes involving violent behavior, including aggravated assault with a deadly weapon in September 2016. Mr. Nevarez completed his Independent Medical Evaluation as required by his order. All other terms of the 2017 Order remain in full effect until superseded by subsequent order of the Board.

Pirtle, Joshua John, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00094009, Little Elm On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and Joshua John Pirtle, MRT, entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to comply with the terms of his Order of Deferred Adjudication, which includes community supervision and reporting compliance to Board staff. The Board found Mr. Pirtle admitted to the violations and failed to timely cooperate with the Board's request for information to investigate an arrest.

# Tra, Jimmy Ahn Phuong, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00108025, Arlington

On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and Jimmy Ahn Phuong Tra, MRT, entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete at least four hours of CE in ethics. The Board found that on September 26, 2016, Mr. Tra received Deferred Adjudication for engagement in organized criminal activity for a period of three years.

Verduzco, Yadira Ivette, NCT, Lic. No. NCR00164396, Seagoville On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and Yadira Ivette Verduzco, NCT, entered into an Agreed Order on Formal Filing requiring her to within one year complete at least eight hours of CN in ethics. The Board found Ms. Verduzco engaged in unprofessional conduct based on not providing information of her arrest record for her registration. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Villyard, Clay Martin, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00026159, Tyler
On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic
Technology and Clay Martin Villyard, MRT, entered into an
Agreed Order requiring him to comply with all terms of his community supervision and report compliance to Board staff; and within one year complete the anger management course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program. The Board found Mr.
Villyard engaged in unprofessional conduct based on past arrests for several assaultive offenses.

Wright, David, MRT, Lic. No. GMR00090603, Little Elm On February 15, 2019, the Texas Board of Medical Radiologic Technology and David Wright, MRT, entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Mr. Wright and requiring him to within one year complete at least four hours of CE in ethics. The Board found Mr. Wright engaged in unprofessional conduct for failing to disclose a past arrest for alleged sexual assault in 1996.

# Texas Board of Respiratory Care Disciplinary Actions

Acosta, Ignacio, RCP, Lic. No. RCP00075826, Bemidji, MN On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care and Ignacio Acosta, RCP, entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Mr. Acosta agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas respiratory care practitioner permit in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Mr. Acosta was under investigation for unprofessional conduct based on prior arrests.

## Billeck, Thomas Wayne, RCP, Lic. No. RCP00061365, Schulenburg

On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care and Thomas Wayne Billeck, RCP, entered into an Agreed Order suspending his permit, however the suspension is stayed and Mr. Billeck is placed on probation for three years under the following terms: shall comply with all conditions of his community supervision and report compliance to Board staff. The Board found that in June 2015, Mr. Billeck pled guilty to one felony charge of injury to a child and the court entered an Order of Deferred Adjudication for a term of six years.

Colton, Stephen Francis, RCP, Lic. No. RCP00060327, Coppell On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care and Stephen Francis Colton, RCP, entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Mr. Colton agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas respiratory care practitioner permit in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Mr. Colton is alleged to have a medical condition that prohibits him from practicing safely.

Flores, Margarito, Jr., RCP, Lic. No. RCP00057237, Edinburg On April 15, 2019, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Board of Respiratory Care temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas respiratory care practitioner permit of Margarito Flores, Jr., RCP, after determining his continuation in the practice of respiratory care poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately. The Board panel found that on February 27, 2019, Mr. Flores was arrested on three felony counts of sexual assault of a child and one felony count of prohibited sexual conduct. A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Mr. Flores, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Mr. Flores. The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

Ingram, Guy Alexander, RCP, Lic. No. RCP00063769, Austin On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care entered a Default Order regarding Guy Alexander Ingram, RCP, which revoked his Texas respiratory care practitioner permit. On August 31, 2018, the Board filed a Complaint with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH), alleging violation of the Respiratory Care Practitioners Act and Board rules. Mr. Ingram failed to appear at the SOAH hearing and no responsive pleading was ever filed by Mr. Ingram. The Board granted a Determination of Default and Mr. Ingram's permit was revoked by Default Order. This order resolves a formal complaint filed at SOAH. Mr. Ingram has 25 days from the service of the order to file a motion for rehearing.

#### McDade, Terricka, RCP, Lic. No. RCP00074417, Waco

On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care and Terricka McDade, RCP, entered into an Agreed Order requiring her to comply with all terms of her Order of Deferred Adjudication; and within one year complete at least four hours of CE in ethics. The Board found Ms. McDade engaged in unprofessional conduct for multiple substance abuse-related arrests and violated her probation.

## Untalan, Felix Castro, Jr., RCP, Lic. No. RCP00061579, San Antonio

On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care and Felix Castro Untalan, Jr., RCP, entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to comply with all terms of the Order of Deferred Adjudication entered in July 2018 and report compliance to the Board; and within one year complete at least four hours of CE in ethics. The Board found on or about July 17, 2018, Mr. Untalan pled no contest to a felony charge related to the manufacture/delivery/possession of a controlled substance and was placed on community supervision for six years.

#### Walsh, Scott D., RCP, Lic. No. RCP00073622, Livingston

On February 14, 2019, the Texas Board of Respiratory Care and Scott D. Walsh, RCP, entered into an Agreed Order suspending his permit until such a time as he requests in writing to have the suspension lifted and personally appears before the Board to provide clear evidence that he is physically, mentally, and otherwise competent to safely practice. Such evidence shall include at minimum objective evidence of at least six months of sustained sobriety. Mr. Walsh shall, within 30 days, execute any and all

releases of information the Board requires to obtain records related to care and treatment he is receiving; within three days of his release or separation from any sober living facility, Mr. Walsh shall notify the Board; shall abstain from the consumption of prohibited substances as defined in the Order; participate in the Board's drug testing program; participate in the activities of Alcoholics Anonymous no less than five times a week; and within 30 days after discharge from a sober living facility, obtain a Board-approved threating psychologist/counselor and follow all recommendations for care and treatment. The Board found Mr. Walsh suffers from an impairment and was arrested numerous times in 2017-2018 for alcohol-related offenses. This order supersedes the Order of Temporary Suspension entered on July 19, 2018

### **Other Orders/Actions**

#### Freeman, Michael, No License, Portland, OR

On February 13, 2019, the Board directed the Executive Director to enter an Order Vacating Prior Cease and Desist Order vacating Michael Freeman's Cease and Desist Order entered on November 30, 2018. Mr. Freeman had not been properly served written notice of the Cease and Desist Hearing.

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### Physician Licenses

The Texas Medical Board issued 1,347 physician licenses between November 13, 2018 and March 11, 2019. Congratulations to the following:

Fakhrudin Aaseemah Mohamed, M.D.

Umair Abbas, M.D.

Lon Edwin Abney, M.D.

Mehran Abolbashari, M.D.

Binu Rajan Abraham, M.D.

Gency Sible Abraham, M.D.

Kevin Thomas Abraham, M.D.

Sherly Abraham, M.D.

Ahmed Abubaker, M.D.

Melanie Janice Acevedo Valle, M.D.

Vinay Siddhartha Acharya, D.O.

Florence Ifeoma Adimora-Nweke, M.D.

Ruchi Aggarwal, M.D.

Samuel Gerard Agnew, M.D.

Khushbu Agrawal, M.D.

Rizwan Ahmad, M.D.

Selim S Ahmed, M.D.

Shahbaz Ahmed, M.D.

Mahmoud Mostafa Ahmed, M.D.

Amna Ahmed, M.D.

Mahmuda Nusrat Farha Ahmed, D.O.

Brittany Nicole Ahmed, M.D.

Abdallah Al Ajani, M.D.

Chinenye Akaluso, M.D.

Adebowale Opeyemi Akintayo, M.D.

Reem Al-Dallal, M.D.

Titilola Temitope Alao, M.D.

Damon Andrew Alavekios, M.D.

Jeffrey Daniel Aldrich, M.D.

Shannon Faye Alejandro, M.D.

William Robert Alex, M.D.

Noman Ali, M.D.

Aman Barkat Ali, M.D.

Mir M Ali, M.D.

Carlos Alicea, M.D.

Yamama Alkourbah, M.D.

Laura Marie Allen, M.D.

Matthew Campbell Allison, M.D.

Saneea Almas, M.D.

Ahmed Almomani, M.D.

Ahmad Fateh Almustafa, M.D.

Nayif Alnaif, M.D.

Muhammad Yasser Alsafadi, M.D.

Kutayba Alsafadi, M.D.

Haider Altay, M.D.

Sasha Ahangama Alvarado, D.O.

Wadah Ameen, M.D.

Nasir Amra, M.D.

Charenya Anandan, M.D.

Brittney Noel Anders, M.D.

John Charles Anderson, M.D.

Jacqueline Anderson, M.D.

Sisira Kumara Andrahennady, M.D.

Alexander Y Andreev-Drakhlin, M.D.

Michael Charles Richard Andrews, M.D.

Nathalie Andry, M.D.

Jonathan Angel, M.D.

Ama Kyerewaa Annor, M.D.

Ifeanyichukwu Anusionwu, M.D.

Kelechi Brenda Anyaehie, M.D.

Eugenia Anyanwu, D.O.

Armando Aponte Velez, M.D.

Pedro Jose Aquino, M.D.

Angie Ariza-Hutchinson, M.D.

Jennifer Armstrong, M.D.

Adrian Keith Arnett, M.D.

Adriana Arocha, M.D.

Deepika Arora, M.D.

Diana Liz Arriola, M.D.

Prabha Arumugam, M.D.

Brian Ashford, M.D.

Nadia Fatima Ashraf-Moghal, M.D.

Joshua Aubrey Atkinson, M.D.

Richard Chace Auzenne, M.D.

Yash Jaydev Avashia, M.D.

Andrew Averitt, D.O.

Alaa Said Awad, M.D.

Andrew Wassef Roushdy Oussa Awad,

M.D.

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Taiwo Titilayo Babatope, M.D.

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Nidal Jamal Badran, M.D.

Sanjeet Kaur Baidwan, M.D.

Brian Faustino Baigorri, M.D.

Michael Bailey, Jr., M.D.

Courtney Christine Baker, M.D.

Vivek Baluja, M.D.

Josiah Walker Bancroft, M.D.

Mohammed Abdul Bari, M.D.

Piya Kim Barkley, M.D.

Megan Kristine Barnett, M.D.

Daniel Coke Barr, M.D.

Jessica Lizette Barrera, M.D.

Stephan Barrientos, M.D.

Karina R Bartlett, M.D.

Karma K Bartiett, W.D.

Russell Edward Bartt, M.D. Alfreda Florice Batts, M.D.

Adam Seth Baumgarten, M.D.

David Beato, M.D.

Catherine Claire Beaullieu, M.D.

Robert James Bechtel, M.D.

Meghan Elizabeth Beddow, M.D.

Francis Christopher Behan, D.O.

Alice Behrens, M.D.

Oyewale Yunus Bello, D.O.

Ari Jay Bennett, M.D.

Heather Elizabeth Bennett, M.D.

Suzanne Bentz, D.O.

Jeffrey Scott Berman, M.D.

Karla Teresa Bermudez Saint Andre, M.D.

Luke Burden Berry, M.D.

John Michael Betik, D.O.

Jack Samuel Bevins, M.D.

Anita P Bhansali, M.D.

Nikhil Bhargava, M.D.

Udit Bhaskar Bhatnagar, M.D.

Zohreen Bheriani, M.D.

Eric Su-Cherng Bih, M.D.

Azka Bilal, M.D.

Sarah Nichole Bishop, M.D.

Saumitra Biswas, M.D.

Mary Elizabeth Black, M.D.

Ashlee Luanne Blaine, D.O.

Sean A Blake, D.O.

Wilfredo Blasini, M.D.

Richard Michael Bliss, M.D.

India Danas Dia di M.D.

Julia Danze Blood, M.D.

Tyler Lee Bloomer, M.D. Nathan Robert Boes, M.D.

Hema Pandya Bohra, D.O.

Logan W Boldwill, M.D.

Juyong Peter Bong, M.D.

Caroline Clark Borgan, M.D. Kyle Borque, M.D.

Ian Christopher Bostock Rosenzweig,

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Michelle Marie Boudreau, D.O.

Sarah Nightingale Bowe, M.D. Blythe Elizabeth Bowman, M.D.

Naga Vasudha Boyapati, M.D.

Nathaniel Marion Boyer, M.D.

Raymond Elwood Bozman, M.D.

Jessica Amanda Bracks, M.D. Reshma Raj Brahmbhatt, M.D.

Ravinderjit Singh Brar, M.D.

Jason Bradley Brill, M.D.

Timothy Charles Brown, M.D.

Mark Gordon Brown, M.D.

Saghi Samadi Brown, M.D.

John Bruyere, Jr., M.D.

Niranjani Buch, M.D.

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