Illegal pain clinic crackdown continues:

The Texas Medical Board's initiative to shut down illegal pain pill mills continues. The most recent high-profile crackdown was the arrest of Houston doctor Gerald Ratinov, M.D., and 18 co-conspirators, the Drug Enforcement Agency announced in March.

So far, TMB has suspended or canceled the certifications of a eleven pain clinics, and taken action against scores of individuals for pain pill-related violations, such as non-therapeutic prescribing or prescribing to a known addict. Ratinov has since agreed to a suspension of his medical license, based on his criminal indictment. According to the DEA, Dr. Ratinov was the No. 1 prescriber of Hydrocodone in the state.

What does it take to shut down a pill mill? A TMB investigator recently gave a glimpse of the nuts and bolts involved in a pain clinic investigation:

"Houston is the hub of where it's happening. We do an extensive background investigation before we go in. We do all our homework.

"We'll identify ourselves. We stand around a few minutes in the (clinic) lobby. Then we tell the lady we need a place to wait in the back. Usually there will be a mass exodus – patients just get up and leave because they know something's up.

"It doesn't look anything like your doctor's office. Sometimes there's a security person there to keep order, make sure everyone stays in a straight line around the building, take the money.

"When I call local police (for backup), I'm very frank. I tell them who I am, we've heard there are guns in the clinic, and we need someone in full uniform with a pistol visible.

"When you mess with someone's drug supply or revenue stream, it can be bad. You have to have your wits about you. We're overly nice, if anything. We don't try to inflame anybody.

"We're working on one case with a doctor who's very elderly. It's sad - when they got into medicine, they got into it for all the right reasons. Some of them probably traded chickens for care. Some of them are trying to keep up their revenue – but you can't be a pill pusher.

"I wish some of these doctors had just retired… Some of these doctors have never had a blemish on their report. I cry sometimes. I try not to cry inside the office. But some of them are very, very sad situations. It's the money."

Death Record Update

If you will EVER be called upon to sign a death certificate, please register to file the certificate electronically -- ahead of time. Processing time for new enrollments is seven to 10 business days. Once the death has occurred, it's too late; you'll have to do your part on paper and put yourself at risk of being the subject of a TMB complaint.

ACTION REQUIRED!!!

As requested by members of the Texas Legislature, the TMB gave physicians a grace period to allow them more time to register. The TMB also refunded fines and dismissed pending disciplinary actions.

That grace period is ending and enforcement resumes June 1. To register, visit www.dhs.state.tx.us/ys/edeath/ for more infor-
What is ‘KSTAR’?

TMB disciplinary orders occasionally require a physician to undergo a “KSTAR assessment” and “complete any recommended training.” What does this mean?

‘KSTAR’ is shorthand for Texas A&M’s Knowledge, Skills, Training, Assessment and Research program. The program is designed to help physicians re-enter clinical practice after an absence, or assess and re-train a doctor whose skills have been called into question by hospital administrators or the Texas Medical Board.

“We’ve had quite a few go through and be very successful,” said Tammy Wilemon, Director of Quality Assurance/Patient Safety for the Texas A&M Health Science Center, Rural and Community Health Institute, where KSTAR is based.

The rigorous program demands a lot of a physician, in terms of time and money.

Over the course of two days, the physician undergoes an intense, focused evaluation that includes a performance assessment as well as written exams. Wilemon says the standard cost for the two-day assessment is between $8,900 and $9,200 – or more, if a specialist, such as an orthopedic surgeon, needs to help with the assessment. Video of the assessment as well as exam scores are reviewed by a committee that produces a preliminary report.

If the KSTAR client’s proficiency is found lacking, the committee may recommend a mini-residency. The mini-residencies take place at John Peter Smith Hospital and health network in Fort Worth and last 90 days at a cost of $9,000. The doctor has to cover his or her own housing costs.

For more information, visit: www.rchitexas.org

Death records, cont’d

Last year, more than 100 physicians found themselves facing disciplinary action from the Texas Medical Board for failing to complete death certificates electronically, as required by law. The good news is, adoption of Texas’ all-electronic death registration is climbing steadily, state health officials say. For 2010, the usage rate was 63.6 percent. For the March 2011, the rate was 88.4 percent!

The Texas Department of State Health Services’ Vital Statistics Unit initially estimated approximately 15,000 physicians as potential medical certifiers on death certificates, based on their medical license and/or specialty. As of February 28, over 15,000 were physicians enrolled, of which 8,497 used electronic death registration to certify at least one death certificate.

In 2010, it took an average of 35.54 days to complete a death certificate for records filed completely manually, with no electronic death registration use by the funeral home or the medical certifier. (There were only 48 of them). For all-electronic records, the average registration time was **11.85 days** (105,914 records).

Helpful contacts:

TMB: Licensees and applicants, questions: (800) 248-4062 or (512) 305-7030 (outside Texas) or email verificic@tmb.state.tx.us

Texas Medical Association: (800) 880-7955, in Austin (512) 370-1550

Texas Physician Health Program: (512) 305-7462* or info@txphp.state.tx.us

*all calls are confidential
Formal Complaints have been filed with the State Office of Administrative Hearings against the individuals listed below. Formal Complaints are public documents and are posted on physician profiles on the TMB website. To read the full complaint, go to www.tmb.state.tx.us, click on “Look Up A Licensee”, accept the usage terms, and enter the licensee’s name or license number.

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Thinking about retiring your license?

What are the options for retirement of a physician’s license?

Official retired status exempts a physician from the registration process, the registration fee and continuing medical education requirements. To be eligible for retired status, a physician’s license cannot be under investigation, under a Board order, or be otherwise restricted. Physicians on a retired status must not engage in clinical activities or practice in any state, must not prescribe or administer drugs to anyone, nor may the physician possess a DEA or Texas controlled substance number.

A retired physician who wishes to volunteer his or her services to indigent populations can request to be placed on voluntary charity care status. The physician must not receive direct or indirect compensation which has monetary value of any kind for medical services rendered. A physician on voluntary charity care status must still obtain and report continuing medical education, except that the number of credits of informal CME is reduced from 24 credits to 20 credits per biennium. Also, the physician’s practice cannot include the provision of medical services to family members or the self-prescribing of controlled substances or dangerous drugs.

To return to practice from retired status, a physician must obtain approval of the Board after submitting a written request. If a physician has been on official retired status for two years or longer, the request must be reviewed by the Licensure Committee of the Board.

To request retired status or voluntary charity care status, complete the appropriate forms and send to the Board for approval before the expiration date of the current registration permit. Refunds of registration fees already paid cannot be made.

For forms and more information, visit this link: [http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/professionals/physicians/licensed/retirementOptions.php](http://www.tmb.state.tx.us/professionals/physicians/licensed/retirementOptions.php)

(At any time a physician may request to cancel his or her license. However, once a license is cancelled, in order to reactivate it, a physician will be required to apply for relicensure and meet all requirements for licensure in effect at the time of application.)
The following is a summary of Board Rule Changes since January 2011.

**Chapter 163: Licensure**, amendment to §163.13, relating to Expedited Licensure Process, deletes language that requires applicants for an expedited license to practice medicine to submit proof of eligibility for a visa immigration waiver.

**Chapter 164: Physician Advertising**, amendment to §164.2, concerning Definitions, adds definitions for applicants, application, board, and certifying board. Amendment to §164.4, concerning Board Certification, establishes the process for applicants to have certifying boards approved by the Medical Board for purposes of advertising. Amendment to §164.6, concerning Required Disclosures on Websites, provides that this section applies only to licensees who bill for services provided via the Internet.

**Chapter 166: Physician Registration**, new §166.7, concerning Report of Impairment on Registration Form, provides that if a licensee has an impairment that affects a licensee’s ability to actively practice medicine, the licensee shall be given the opportunity to place the license on retired status, convert the license to an administrative medicine license, cancel the license, or be referred to the Texas Physician Health Program.

**Chapter 171: Postgraduate Training Permits**, amendment to §171.2, relating to Construction, removes reference to “annual” reporting requirements since annual reports are no longer required under 171.5; and the amendment to §171.5, relating to Duties of PIT Holders to Report, clarifies that fines, citations, or violations that are over $250 must be reported, excluding traffic tickets unless the traffic violations relate to the use of alcohol or drugs.

**Chapter 175: Fees and Penalties**, amendment to §175.1, concerning Application Fees, establishes the fee for the application of a certifying board evaluation at $200. The amendment to §175.2, concerning Registration and Renewal Fees, establishes the fee for the application for certifying board evaluation renewals at $200.

**Chapter 183, Acupuncture**, amendment to §183.15, relating to Use of Professional Titles, describes when and how a licensee may use additional professional titles in advertising and other related materials. Amendment to §183.20, Continuing Acupuncture Education, clarifies that to become an approved CAE provider, the provider must submit to the board evidence that the provider has three continuous years of previous experience providing at least one different CAE course in Texas in each of those years. Amendment to §183.3, Meetings, provides that committee minutes are to be approved by the full board rather than by committee which is required under Robert’s Rules of Order.

**Chapter 185: Physician Assistants**, amendment to §185.4, concerning Procedural Rules for Licensure Applicants, corrects the name for the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant, Inc. (ARC-PA) and corrects a rule citation. The amendment to §185.6, concerning Annual Renewal of License, provides that CME may be approved by the board for course credit.

**Chapter 187: Procedural Rules**, amendment to §187.14, relating to Informal Disposition of Disciplinary Issues Against a Licensee, provides that if the licensee fails to accept an offer of settlement by the Quality Assurance Committee, or if the licensee requests that an Informal Settlement Conference (ISC) be held, the offer shall be deemed to be rejected and an ISC shall be held which is the current process. The current language says that an ISC is to be scheduled rather than “held.” Amendment to §187.27, relating to Written Answers in SOAH Proceedings and Default Orders, amends the process for issuance of default orders. Under the proposed language, if a licensee fails to timely file a response in a SOAH case, SOAH may at Board staff’s request, remand the case to the Board and the Board will then rule on the staff attorney’s motion for default, and issue a default order if warranted. This differs from the current process that requires the Board’s general counsel to make a determination of default before the case may be remanded by SOAH.

Amendment to §187.55, relating to Purpose, makes grammatical changes; and amendment to §187.59, relating to Evidence, provides that documentary evidence for temporary suspension hearings with notice must be prefiled with the Board 24 hours prior to the scheduled hearing. Admission of documentary evidence after the 24 hours shall be admitted only upon a showing of good cause. In addition, documentary evidence must be submitted in electronic format in all cases where the Respondent has been provided notice that a panel member will be appearing by phone. Amendment to §187.70, concerning Purposes and Construction, provides that the Board may automatically suspend the license of a physi-
cian who has been found guilty of certain drug-related felonies by a trier of fact.

The amendment to §187.71, concerning Hearing Before a Panel of Board Representatives, provides that the Board may conduct a hearing in order for the purpose of determining whether to automatically suspend the license of a physician who has been found guilty of certain drug-related felonies by a trier of fact.

The amendment to §187.72, concerning Decision of the Panel, provides that if a disciplinary panel of the board elects to automatically suspend the license of a physician that the order shall be considered administratively final for purposes of appeal. In addition, if a panel recommends the automatic suspension of a license, the panel shall also either offer an order with terms on how the suspension may be probated or that the physician’s license should be revoked.

Amendment to §187.8, relating to Subpoenas, establishes that the party requesting the Board to issue a subpoena in relation to a case filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) is responsible for accomplishing service of the subpoena.

Chapter 196: Voluntary Relinquishment or Surrender of a Medical License, amendment to §196.1, concerning Relinquishment of License, provides that in addition to voluntary relinquishment, a licensee may request cancellation of a license. The repeal of §196.3, concerning Surrender Associated with Impairment, repeals this section as licensees may no longer surrender their license due to an impairment through a confidential rehabilitation order.
New Physician Licenses

The Texas Medical Board issued 1,244 physician licenses between January 18 and May 10, 2011. Congratulations to the following doctors!

Abdullah, Saad Aziz Dakhil, M.D.
Acharya, Sujet S., M.D.
Achim, Catherine, M.D.
Acosta, Ometeotl Miguel, M.D.
Adams, Jimmy Glenn, D.O.
Adams, Rae Ann, M.D.
Addison, Daniel, M.D.
Aderinto, Olumayowa Adefunke, M.D.
Adeyemo, Ishola Sikiru, M.D.
Adler, Grit Armstrong, M.D.
Adzotor, Kwasi, M.D.
Alvarez Eslava, Andrea, M.D.
Alvarado, Rosalinda, M.D.
Allam, Sridhar Reddy, M.D.
Allan, Kyle Pierce, M.D.
Ali, Syed Omar, M.D.
Alhezayen, Mohammed, M.D.
Ali, Seyed Omar, M.D.
Allam, Sridhar Reddy, M.D.
Alle, Darshana, M.D.
Allen, Kyle Pierce, M.D.
Allen, Lisa Rachel, M.D.
Alloju, Shashi Mohan, M.D.
Alvarado, Rosalinda, M.D.
Alvarez Eslava, Andrea, M.D.
Amby, Alexander Scott, M.D.
Amog, Frederick Donato, M.D.
Amos, Joseph Edward, M.D.
Amratial, Pintu, M.D.
Anand, Aashish, M.D.
Ancaya, Dora Victoria, M.D.
Anders, Dandre Michelle, M.D.
Anderson, Jared Dean, M.D.
Anger, Kathryn Ann, M.D.
Angtuaco, Sylvia S. O, M.D.
Ansari, Nazia Salman, M.D.
Anwar, Kashif, M.D.
Anwar, Mohsen, D.O.
Anwer, Bilal, M.D.
Aquino-White, Aimee, D.O.
Arana, Julia Garrett, M.D.
Ariza Heredia, Ella Jazmin, M.D.
Aunjio, Bryan S., M.D.
Armour, Alexander Woolf, D.O.
Armstrong, Gina Patrice, M.D.
Arora, Suhep, M.D.
Arora, Varin, M.D.
Arruens, Cristina Gale, M.D.
Arteaga, James Robert, M.D.
Asajio, Sunday Olanrewaju, M.D.
Aschenbinder, Randal Lane, M.D.
Ashfaqe, Amreen, M.D.
Ashikyan, Oganes, M.D.
Assansenn, Chatchawin, M.D.
Au, Brian Chi Kit, M.D.
Austin, Mark John, M.D.
Autry, Alex Nelson, D.O.
Autry, Heather Lynn, D.O.
Avila, Jamie, M.D.
Awad, Omar, M.D.
Aydelotte, Jayson David, M.D.
Ayoade, Ayodele Olusegun, M.D.
Babain, Kara, M.D.
Backer, Farnel Fernand, M.D.
Badr, Ahmed Emrahim, M.D.
Baia, Catarina, M.D.
Baig, Mirza Nusrullah, M.D.
Baig, Mohammed Saeed, M.D.
Baker, Stephen Edward, M.D.
Baker, Tanner Boyd, M.D.
Baker, Whitney Taft, M.D.
Balan, Prakash, M.D.
Balan, Sudha, M.D.
Balderas, Dagoorto, D.O.
Balezentis, Susan M, D.O.
Bandi, Srijaya, M.D.
Bang, Ranhy, M.D.
Banks, Crystal Leigh, M.D.
Barad, Ashis Varnali, M.D.
Barajaz, Michelle Dean, M.D.
Barker, Blake R, M.D.
Barksdale, Antonio Dino, M.D.
Barnett, Brian C, M.D.
Barrett, Patrick Michael, M.D.
Barte, Felise May, M.D.
Bartell, Holly Leigh, M.D.
Bartell, Marcie May, M.D.
Bartisch, Heath Renee, M.D.
Beck, Kathryn Alene, M.D.
Becker, Warren, M.D.
Bedgood, Alycia Mae, M.D.
Bednarski, Brian Keith, M.D.
Bednarski, Karen Anne, M.D.
Beach, Laura Ashley, M.D.
Been, Laura Cowan, M.D.
Beg, Muhammad Shaalan, M.D.
Beg, Shazia A, M.D.
Bell, Patricia Courtney, M.D.
Bell, Todd Dwayne, M.D.
Bellon, Lana, M.D.
Beltran, Celina Renee, M.D.
Bendek, Sandra Elizabeth, M.D.
Benedicto, Alberto Carlos, M.D.
Benjamin, Elizabeth R, M.D.
Benodin, Lesly, M.D.
Berg, Todd Jason, M.D.
Bergeron, Brandy Michelle, M.D.
Bergman, Joseph Henry, M.D.
Berry, Emily Russell, M.D.
Berryhill, Wayne Edward, M.D.
Best, Thomas Herbert, M.D.
Beyda, Rebecca Monk, M.D.
Bhat, Kabekode Deepa, M.D.
Bhatti, Nadeem Hanif, M.D.
Biboa, John Clement, D.O.
Bigongiari, Lawrence Roy, M.D.
Bird, Garrett Reed, M.D.
Blackmon, Garyun Bliss, M.D.
Blackwell, William Adrian, M.D.
Blanch, Lauri, M.D.
Blanch, Robert Marsden, M.D.
Boahene, Derek Okofi Owusu, M.D.
Bobb Jr, David Samuel, M.D.
Boe, Ruth, M.D.
Boelving, Brandon Lee, M.D.
Bollini, Sashidhar, M.D.
Bolton, George Thomas, M.D.
Bonsack, Timothy Alan, M.D.
Borneheimer, Renee Adams, M.D.
Borra, Vijay, M.D.
Boss, Stuart Erich, M.D.
Bossen, Adam Carl, M.D.
Bowman, Thomas Andrew, M.D.
Boyett, Timothy Patrick, M.D.
Bracey, Paul Christian, M.D.
Brading, Joseph Michael, M.D.
Bradshaw, Todd Wesley, M.D.
Brakovec, Jenny Lee, M.D.
Brantly, Elisa Kathleen, M.D.
Braxton Jr, Ernest Earl, M.D.
Brada, Amy Claire, M.D.
Breslau, Jonathan, M.D.
Brewer, Edward, M.D.
Brinker, Stephanie Kaye, M.D.
Brito-Dellan, Norman, M.D.
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Brower, Gerry Lee, M.D.
Brown, Jarrod Michael, M.D.
Brown, Nicholas Michael, M.D.
Brownwe, Lorna, M.D.
Brunner, Bryan Christopher, M.D.
Bruno, James Dominic, M.D.
Bryant, David Albert, M.D.
Buca, Stefan Cosmin, M.D.
Burger, Jan Andreas, M.D.
Burgoyne, Brian, M.D.
Burkett, Danielle, D.O.
Butterworth, James Allen, M.D.
Buysse, Marylou, M.D.
Bybee, Kristy Ruthann, D.O.
Byrd, Timothy Michael, M.D.
Caffery II, Terrell, M.D.
Cahill, Timothy Andrew, M.D.
Cambron, Craig Anthony, M.D.
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Can, Daniel Alexander, M.D.
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Cao, Hiep Andrew, M.D.
Cao, Long Bao, M.D.
Cargile, John Cordell, M.D.
Carlberg, Matthew Anders, M.D.
Carlisle, James L., M.D.
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Carpio, Bernardo, M.D.
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Carter, Sion William, M.D.
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Chakravarthy, Mithun, M.D.
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Chandler, David Thomas, M.D.
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Chevuru, Srinivas, M.D.
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Clark, Taylor Kathryn, M.D.
Clanton, Stacy Janette, M.D.
Cogar, Bryan Dean, M.D.
Cohen, Irene A, M.D.
Cohen, Joshua B, M.D.
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Holliday, Melinda Mosby, M.D.
Holt, Shea Ryan, M.D.
Honeycutt, Gregory Robert, M.D.
Hooker, Kevin James, M.D.
Horn, Brett W, M.D.
Horsley, Ross Arthur, M.D.
Horton, Erica Ann, D.O.
Hough, Corey Michael, M.D.
Howard, Drew David, M.D.
Howell, Jevere Akim, M.D.
Howell, Lee Ann, M.D.
Hsiao, Chris Lee, M.D.
Huang, Marilyn S., M.D.
Huang, Richard Albert, M.D.
Hubbard, Bradley Alan, M.D.
Hubble, Levi Lewis, M.D.
Hude, Keith Edward, M.D.
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Tiwana, G Paul Singh, M.D.
Todd, Bret Richard, D.O.
Todd, Knox Holland, M.D.
Toro-Serra, Rafael Orlando, M.D.
Young, David Sara, M.D.
Tovar, Miguel Angel, D.O.
Tran, Alex Minh Nguyen, M.D.
Tran, Mai Kim, M.D.
Trejo, Jesus, M.D.
Triana, Maria Isabel, M.D.
Trivedi, Shamita, D.O.
Troutman, Gerard Albert, M.D.
Tsai, Henry Chung-Hsien, M.D.
Tse, Gladys, M.D.
Tseng, William Wei Lin, M.D.
Tuamokumo, Timi Sena-Kola, M.D.
Tumyan, Anna, M.D.
Twillie, Rush, M.D.
Tyner, Sarah, M.D.
Tyson lli, George Hart, M.D.
Uchiyama, Eduardo, M.D.
Ughwanogho, Ejobi, M.D.
Urranga, Joe Anthony, M.D.
Usman, Umbra, M.D.
Uzowulu, Obinna Chimezie, M.D.
Valle, Ricardo, M.D.
Van Dusen, Michael Ray, D.O.
Vandergriff, Clayton L, M.D.
Vanepps, Kelly James, M.D.
Vanga, Shilpa, M.D.
Varghese, Vincent, D.O.
Varughese, Roy, M.D.
Vaughan, Jeremy Brandon, M.D.
Vaysman, Dmitriy, M.D.
Vazquez-Cufie, Erika Marie, M.D.
Vershaw, Anna, M.D.
Vick, Katie M, M.D.
Vijayamadhavan, Vivek Kumar, M.D.
Villafria, Ramon Garcia, M.D.
Villazana-Kretzer, Diana Leticia, D.O.
Viney, Reagan D’Iynn, M.D.
Von Ritschel, Andreas Johann, M.D.
Vu, Khiem Quynh, D.O.
Vu, Thai Minh, M.D.
Wade, Kathryn K, M.D.
Wadhwani, Swati, M.D.
Wahl, Walter Harold, M.D.
Waldrep, Kevin Bradley, M.D.
Walgren, James Sherman, M.D.
Walsh lli, Ralph Claihorne, D.O.
Walton, Grace Joy, M.D.
Wandrey, Daniel Enoch, M.D.
Wang, Calvin, M.D.
Wang, Wansheng, M.D.
Waqaar, Amna, M.D.
Ward, Jenaya Judonne, M.D.
Weekes, Juelle Everne Christie, M.D.
Wei, Stephen, M.D.
Weil, Andrew Campbell, M.D.
Whatley, Sara Diane, D.O.
White, Angelica, M.D.
White, Michael Anthony, D.O.
Whiteley, Amanda Susanne, M.D.
Whitney-Oubousy, Anne Piott, M.D.
Willborn, Katherine Anne, M.D.
Williams, Christopher George, M.D.
Williams, Dustin Blake, M.D.
Williams, Jeffrey, D.O.
Williams, Laura Lee, M.D.
Willis, Jason Scott, M.D.
Willis, Theresa Castoro, M.D.
Wilroy Jr, Richard Gregg, D.O.
Wilson, Brian Preston, M.D.
Wilson, Crystal Renee, M.D.
Wilson, James, M.D.
Wiltz, Aimee Lorelei, M.D.
Witt, Dylan James, M.D.
Wolffarth, Mark William, M.D.
Wolk, Lawrence, M.D.
Wolkhoff, Amanda Jo, M.D.
Wong, Howard Leland, M.D.
Woo, Hyoung, M.D.
Woodruff, Robert James, M.D.
Woodward, Lee M, M.D.
Wool, Ronald Norman, M.D.
Wright, Andrea Jennifer, M.D.
Wright, Stanley Eugene, M.D.
Wu, Eileen Wan Ying, M.D.
Wu, Yohko, M.D.
Wyatt, David E, M.D.
Wykoff, Charles Clifton, M.D.
Yadav, Iti, M.D.
Yalamanchi, Lakshmana Rao, M.D.
Yan, Dawn, M.D.
Yang, Diana Peggy, M.D.
Yang, Hua, M.D.
Yanosik, Justin Edward, M.D.
Yao, Jiemin, M.D.
Yau, James Min-Hsun, M.D.
Yedavalli, Prudhvi Rajkumar, M.D.
Yi, Zanhua, M.D.
Yolland, Michael, M.D.
Yoon, Vivienne, M.D.
Youens, Kenneth Emory, M.D.
Za, Jennifer, M.D.
Zar, Navid F, M.D.
Zamora, Gos, M.D.
Zarse, Karl R, M.D.
Zenooz, Navid Alivari, M.D.
Zhang, Songlin, M.D.
Zhorne, Derek James, M.D.
Zhu, Stanislav A, M.D.
Zink, Christine Labenz, M.D.
Zubieta, Juan Carlos, M.D.
New Physician Assistant Licenses

The Texas Physician Assistant Board issued 170 PA licenses between January 18 and May 10, 2011. Congratulations to the following:

Abernathy, Latoya Denise, P.A.
Acosta, Judy-Ann Marie, P.A.
Adamek, Nicole Keel, P.A.
Alejandro, Carolina, P.A.
Allison, Elicia Raeona-Marie, P.A.
Almanza, Cynthia L., P.A.
Amaru, Russell Robert, P.A.
Anderson, Todd David, P.A.
Asmussen, Mark Dwayne, P.A.
Barron, Daniel, P.A.
Barrow, Melinda Crider, P.A.
Barth, Jessica, P.A.
Beierle, Keanan D., P.A.
Berkstresser, Kristen Kelly, P.A.
Brown, Robyn Lynn, P.A.
Bui, Huan Tho-Minh, P.A.
Burger, Devon Cathleen, P.A.
Butler, Ashley Allison, P.A.
Carson, Donnell, P.A.
Carter, Taylor Michelle, P.A.
Casillas, Adam Noel, P.A.
Choho, Doffou Jean-Baptiste, P.A.
Clawson, Shanna Renae, P.A.
Copeland, Charles Lee, P.A.
Creel, Jennifer, P.A.
Darbonne, Sarah Elaine, P.A.
Decker, Jacqueline Sue, P.A.
Denney, Jessica Nicole, P.A.
Dennis, Hanna Kristina, P.A.
Dethlef, Cynthia Lauren, P.A.
Donner, Kimberly Paige, P.A.
Dresser, Kelly Louise, P.A.
Edwards, Amanda Garza, P.A.
Elder, Amanda Mitchell, P.A.
Escue, Tamara Dawn, P.A.
Ezell, Sarah Catherine, P.A.
Ferraro, Jodi Ann, P.A.
Ferro, Kellie Marion, P.A.
Finke, Vonda Lane, P.A.
Forcha, Aloyisius Betonandem, P.A.
Fox, Megan Annette Hanes, P.A.
Freeman, Sara Paz, P.A.
Frohman, Teresa C., P.A.
Galperin, Vadim, P.A.
Gambrill, Lucille R, P.A.
Garrad, Thomas, P.A.
Gee, Chance William, P.A.
Gorman, Samuel Asher, P.A.
Green, Morgan, P.A.
Greene, Scott Reed, P.A.
Grizzaffi, Elizabeth Ann, P.A.
Grove, Amy Elizabeth, P.A.
Guajardo, Rodolfo, P.A.
Hancock, Kelli Shea, P.A.
Haug, Jessica Marie, P.A.
Heck, Kelly Susan, P.A.
Hedin, Kirsten Elizabeth, P.A.
Hillstead, Melissa Anne, P.A.
Hogan, Allison Mary, P.A.
Holtzclaw, Carson Shetley, P.A.
Hornberger, Leslie Christine, P.A.
Igi, Mae, P.A.
Johnson, Chryal Lynn, Johnson, Megan Whitney, P.A.
Jouett, Elizabeth Bradley, P.A.
Joy, Trudy Lizbeth, P.A.
Kiser, Elaine Catherine, P.A.
Klein, Magdalena Johana, P.A.
Klepac, Brittany, P.A.
Krause, Daniel Joseph, P.A.
Krol, Debra Christina, P.A.
Kwaky, Micheel, P.A.
Labadie, Kelly Margie, P.A.
Lancaster, Nicole Francis, P.A.
Law, Lindsey Nichol, P.A.
Lea, Whitney, P.A.
Lee, Mui Kyla, P.A.
Lee, Shannon, P.A.
Leonard, Ericka Rose, P.A.
Lewis, Stephanie Marie, P.A.
Liu, Yih-Shin, P.A.
Ludwick, Janna, P.A.
Machuca, Julie Annette, P.A.
Mainz, Kevin, P.A.
Mallory, Melody Beth, P.A.
Mayer, Darren Micheal, P.A.
McCord, Alexandra Elizabeth, P.A.
McKown, Megan Elizabeth, P.A.
McPherson, Mccall Christian, P.A.
Measho, Emun, P.A.
Medina, Lorena Ysel, P.A.
Meister, Marcelyn Rose, P.A.
Menne, Erin Nicole, P.A.
Metzger, William Curtis, P.A.
Miner, Tiffany, P.A.
Mitchell, Linsey Renee, P.A.
Moore, Randy Ranshawn, P.A.
Nedelman, Samantha Erin, P.A.
Neumann, Jeffery Stephhan, P.A.
Nguyen, Thanh Lan T, P.
O'Dwyer, Leah Michele, P.A.
Oliveri, Sarah Marie, P.A.
Orchard, Megan Elizabeth, P.A.
Park, Kathleen Virginia, P.A.
Patel, Gopi S, P.A.
Patel, Hershal, P.A.
Patel, Rakhi, P.A.
Payne, David Andrew, P.A.
Peavy, Kirsti Nicole, P.A.
Petrovsky, Bridget, P.A.
Petty, Stephanie, P.A.
Phan, Thy Anh-Tuan, P.A.
Piazza, Anna, P.A.
Ponton, David, P.A.
Poppelaars, Victoria Hilveh, P.A.
Pratt, Anne Elizabeth, P.A.
Quinn, James A., P.A.
Ramirez, Carlos F, P.A.
Rangel, Amy Stella, P.A.
Rasch, Dieter Eric, P.A.
Reid, Rodger Daniel, P.A.
Reynado, Amanda Mcgrath, P.A.
Reynolds, Ross Anthony, P.A.
Rice, Kerri, P.A.
Rodgers, Melissa Ann, P.A.
Rose, Blair, P.A.
Ross, Alexandria Shorey, P.A.
Ross, Kathryn Storey, P.A.
Rowther, Sofia, P.A.
Saied, Victoria Jeanne, P.A.
Salinas, Elizabeth Ann, P.A.
Sanabria, Graciela Elena, P.A.
Sanders, Sarah Elaine, P.A.
Schade, Jana, P.A.
Schmitz, Kati Lynn, P.A.
Schwartz, Susannah, P.A.
Shehan, Maria Laura, P.A.
Shinn, Linda K, P.A.
Shoemaker, Monica Lisa, P.A.
Siboriboun, Vanphanom, P.A.
Simon, Nicole Zerr, P.A.
Smilp, Katherine Marie, P.A.
Smeltzer, Barry Lane, P.A.
Smith, Britany Danielle, P.A.
Snyder, Clifford Lee, P.A.
Sommerlad, Shawn Matthew, P.A.
Soper, Ellen Reichard, P.A.
Spinola, Lourdes Rabasa, P.A.
Steidl, Matthew Hunsaker, P.A.
Sustaita, Amy Denise, P.A.
Tchen, Le, P.A.
Tran, Tan T, P.A.
Trogus, Angela Catherine, P.A.
Tshuma, Lisa, P.A.
Urbina, Angelica Ruby, P.A.
Vivekananthan, Gaithri Arunesh, P.A.
Walsh, Peggy Diana, P.A.
Wang, Xinwen, P.A.
Ware, Lance M., P.A.
Wilkins Sr, Darrell Timothy, P.A.
Willis, Kristen Allison, P.A.
Willoughby, Ambrosia Marie, P.A.
Wilson, Lyndsie, P.A.
Wilson, Nikeeta Nicole, P.A.
Wright, Tracy, P.A.
Yamoah, Joanna Isabel, P.A.
Zapalac, Sarah Elizabeth, P.A.
Zepeda, Vilailuk Jane, P.A.

New Acupuncture Licenses

The Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners issued 46 acupuncture licenses between January 18 and May 10, 2011. Congratulations to the following people:

Abu Assaf, Naem, Ac.
Amdur, Carol Latifa, Ac.
Badell, Maria Lourdes, Ac.
Baldwin, Brad Michael, Ac.
Beaumont, Tracee R., Ac.
Biro, Barbara Michele, Ac.
Bui, Thang Quoc, Ac.
Bush, Patricia Ann, Ac.
Byerly, Kitara MB, Ac.
Castillo, Christina Raquel, Ac.
Cui, Kemi, Ac.
Dick, William Earl, III, Ac.
Flores, Glenda S., Ac.
Foreman, Brooke Chantelle, Ac.
Giilliam, Jesse L., Ac.
Hansen, Stephen Leroy, Ac.
Ingram, Helen, Ac.
Kim, Duckjae, Ac.
Kim, Eunjeung, Ac.
Kim, John Tae-Kwon, Ac.
Knight, Daniel Scott, Ac.
Lai, Hilary Karning, Ac.
Lapwing, Lisa Rose, Ac.
Lee, Maria Huong, Ac.
Lee, Sun Young, Ac.
TEMPORARY SUSPENSIONS

Cruz, Ramon A. Cruz, M.D., Lic. No. K3703, Denton
On March 14, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, with notice, the medical license of Ramon A. Cruz, M.D., of Denton, after determining that Dr. Cruz’s continuation in the practice of medicine constitutes a continuing threat to the public welfare. The panel found that Dr. Cruz engaged in sexually inappropriate behavior with several patients. Four incidents, including an alleged sexual assault, were reported by patients to Denton Police.

Gullapalli, Uma Rani, M.D., Lic. No. J1256, Victoria
On April 25, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the medical license of Uma Rani Gullapalli, M.D. after determining that Dr. Gullapalli’s continuation in the practice of medicine constitutes a continuing threat to the public welfare. In addition, the panel suspended the two pain management clinic certificates held by Dr. Gullapalli after determining that the Houston clinics are not owned by Dr. Gullapalli or any other physician, as required by law. Dr. Gullapalli admitted to investigators that she sees patients only for their initial visit. The clinic employs two unlicensed foreign medical graduates who examine patients and write prescriptions which Dr. Gullapalli signs. In addition, Dr. Gullapalli charges patients $200 to $300 for monthly “follow-up visits,” though the patients are not actually seen but instead receive their prescriptions for controlled substances through the mail. The Temporary Suspension Hearing Without Notice took place under the Board’s authority granted by the Medical Practice Act. The physician has the opportunity to have a Temporary Suspension Hearing With Notice at least 10 days after notice of the suspension just taken.

Jacob, David James, M.D., Lic. No. E2634, Austin
On Monday, May 16, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board held a Temporary Suspension Hearing Without Notice and suspended the license of Austin physician David James Jacob, M.D., after determining that Dr. Jacoby poses a continuing threat to the public welfare due to his lack of competence, impaired status or failure to care adequately for his patients. The panel found that between 2009 and 2010 Dr. Jacoby prescribed multiple controlled substances to family members and to associates of his son for non-medical purposes with the understanding that he and his son would receive a portion of the pills prescribed. On December 19, 2010, Dr. Jacob’s son was found dead at their home. The autopsy report indicated that Dr. Jacoby’s son, who had a known history of illicit and prescription drug abuse, died due to multiple drug toxicity. Police investigating the son’s death discovered multiple empty prescription pill bottles under the son’s bed. The majority were labeled as having been prescribed by Dr. Jacoby to his son’s friends and one family member. Pharmacy records showed that since the date of his son’s death, Dr. Jacoby continued to prescribe hydrocodone and carisoprodol to a number of the same individuals formerly associated with his son. The suspension remains in effect until further action by the Board. A Temporary Suspension Hearing With Notice will be scheduled as soon as possible, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Jacoby.

Stafford, John Sullivan, M.D., Lic. No. G5640, Santa Fe
On March 7, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the medical license of John Sullivan Stafford, M.D., of Santa Fe, Texas, after determining that Dr. Stafford’s continuation in the practice of medicine constitutes a continuing threat to the public welfare. The panel found that Dr. Stafford prescribed controlled substances to patients known by law enforcement to be involved in substance abuse and/or substance diversion.

Stogre, Rosemary Ann, M.D., Lic. No. F0771, Clear Lake Shores
On April 15, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended without notice the Texas Medical License of Rosemary Ann Stogre, M.D. The action was based on the panel’s determination that Dr. Stogre’s continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to the public welfare. The Board found Dr. Stogre continued to prescribe controlled substances after surrendering her DEA and DPS controlled substance prescribing privileges.

Szumlas, Rick Alan, M.D., Lic. No. L3154, Paris
On April 20, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, with notice of hearing, the medical license of Rick Alan Szumlas, M.D., after determining that Dr. Szumlas’ continuation in the practice of medicine constitutes a continuing threat to the public welfare. The panel found that Dr. Szumlas is impaired due to mental illness. The suspension remains in effect until the Board takes further action.

PAIN CLINIC ACTIONS

Alliance Medical, a k a Alliance Treatment Center, Certificate No. PMC00297, Houston
On April 15, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the pain management clinic certificate for Alliance Medical held by Rosemary Ann Stogre, M.D., after determining that the clinic is not wholly physician-owned or operated as required

South Houston Treatment Center, Certificate No. PMC00298, Houston
On April 15, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the pain management clinic certificate for South Houston Treatment Center held by Rosemary Ann Stogre, M.D., after determining that the clinic is not wholly physician-owned or operated as required

North Houston Wellness and Weight Loss Center, Certificate No. PMC00259
On April 8, 2011, the Board entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender with Natascha Tove Dumas, M.D., the holder of the pain management clinic certificate of North Houston Wellness and Weight Loss Center. The Board accepted the voluntary and permanent surrender of the clinic’s pain management clinic certificate, in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings regarding the certificate.

Winrock Medical Clinic, Certificate No. PMC00118, Houston
On April 25, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the pain management clinic certificate of Winrock Medical Clinic held by Uma Rani Gullapalli, M.D., after determining that the clinic was not owned by Dr. Gullapalli or any other physician, as required by law.

Houston Pain & Rehabilitation Clinic, Certificate No. PMC00140, Houston
On April 25, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the pain management clinic certificate of Houston Pain & Rehabilitation Clinic held by Uma Rani Gullapalli, M.D., after determining that
the clinic was not owned by Dr. Gullapalli or any other physician, as required by law.

**Imed Clinic Inc., Certificate No. PMC00104, Houston**
On Friday, February 18, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended without notice the pain management clinic certificate of Imed Clinic Inc. held by Akili Graham, M.D., after determining that the clinic was not owned by Graham or any other physician, a violation of state law.

**Preferred Medical Clinic, Certificate No. PMC00102, Houston**
On Friday, February 18, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended without notice the pain management clinic certificate of Preferred Medical Clinic held by Akili Graham, M.D., after determining that the clinic was not owned by Graham or any other physician, a violation of state law.

**The Oaks Medical Clinic Inc., Certificate No. PMC00103, Highlands**
On Friday, February 18, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended without notice the pain management clinic certificate of The Oaks Medical Clinic held by Akili Graham, M.D., after determining that the clinic was not owned by Graham or any other physician, a violation of state law.

**UMAT Clinic, Certificate No. PMC00105, Houston**
On Friday, February 18, 2011, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended without notice the pain management clinic certificate of UMAT Clinic held by Akili Graham, M.D., after determining that the clinic was not owned by Graham or any other physician, a violation of state law.

**Spring Wellness Center, LLC, Certificate No. PMC00146, Houston**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Jesus Caquias, M.D., the holder of the Pain Management Clinic Certificate for Spring Wellness Center, entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Caquias voluntarily and permanently surrendered his certificate for operating the clinic, resolving the matter as it relates to Dr. Caquias’s involvement in operating Spring Wellness Center. The Order prohibits the clinic’s operation as a pain management clinic.

**REVOCATION**

**Escalera, Javier P., M.D., Lic. No. M7169, Houston**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Javier P. Escalera entered into an Agreed Order of Revocation, which revokes Dr. Escalera’s Texas medical license. The mandated statutory action was based on Dr. Escalera’s current incarceration for a felony criminal charge; his using alcohol or drugs in an intemperate manner; and his practice of medicine with an expired license.

**Lee, Justin Michael, M.D., Lic. No. N2166, Phoenix, AZ**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Justin Michael Lee, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Revocation, requiring Dr. Lee to immediately cease and desist from the practice of medicine. The action was based on Dr. Lee’s arrest by the FBI for involvement in a child exploitation enterprise; and his restriction from practice by the Arizona Medical Board. Dr. Lee is a pediatric anesthesiologist.

**Solis, Rafael, M.D., Lic. No. H8844, San Antonio**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Rafael Solis, M.D. entered into an Agreed Order of Revocation, requiring Dr. Solis to cease practicing medicine. The action was based on Dr. Solis’s conviction of a felony and his dishonorable conduct likely to deceive or defraud the public.

**Vu, Khanh Nguyen, D.O., Lic. No. L0676, Titusville PA sent to Sonja**
On May 3, 2011, the Board entered a Final Order revoking the license of Khanh Nguyen Vu, D.O., and resolving Case No. 503-09-0302 at the State Office of Administrative Hearings. A SOAH Administrative Law Judge recommended revocation after finding that Dr. Vu failed to practice medicine in an acceptable professional manner consistent with public health and welfare, committed criminal acts in the indecent assault against 13 patients and poses a continuing threat to the public welfare. The Board adopted the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the ALJ.

**SUSPENSIONS**

**Etindi, Ransome, M.D., Lic. No. L2240, Waxahachie**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Ransome Etindi, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Suspension publicly reprimanding Dr. Etindi and placing him under the following terms and conditions: Dr. Etindi’s license is suspended until he has completed the professional boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; for 10 years, Dr. Etindi must have a chaperone present any time he performs a physical exam on a female patient. The Board found that Dr. Etindi engaged in sexual conduct with a patient and subsequently had his hospital privileges suspended.

**Halberdier, John Edward, M.D., Lic. No. D9475, Conroe**
On January 10, 2011, the Texas Medical Board entered an Order of Automatic Suspension regarding John Edward Halberdier, M.D., suspending his Texas medical license. The action was based on Dr. Halberdier’s incarceration in a state penitentiary.

**Johnson, Kerste Jane, M.D., Lic. No. G7072**
On February 15, 2011, the Board entered an Automatic Suspension Order, suspending the license of Kerste Jane Johnson, M.D., requiring her to immediately cease practicing as a physician in Texas. The action was based on Dr. Johnson’s failure to submit to drug and alcohol screening, failure to timely provide documentation of attendance at AA meetings, and otherwise comply with her 2009 Order.

**Ratinov, Gerald, M.D., Lic. No. D2823, Houston**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Gerald Ratinov, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Suspension, suspending Dr. Ratinov’s Texas medical license. The action was based on Dr. Ratinov’s unprofessional or dishonorable conduct likely to deceive or defraud the public or injure the public; Dr. Ratinov has been criminally indicted on charges related to alleged improper prescribing practices.

**QUALITY OF CARE**

**Arafiles, Rolando German, Jr., M.D., Lic. No. K4855, Kermit**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Rolando German Arafiles Jr., M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Arafiles and requiring him to complete within one year the clinical competency assessment at Texas A&M’s Knowledge, Skills, Training, Assessment and Research (KSTAR) program and complete any and all retraining and remedial measures recommended; have a physician monitor his practice for 12 monitoring cycles; within one year and within three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; complete
within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in treating thyroid disease; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 90 days. The Board found Dr. Arafiles provided false information to the Board; failed to maintain confidentiality of a patient; attempted to contact a complainant or witness regarding an investigation by the Board; administered a drug or treatment that was nontherapeutic in nature; and failed to treat a patient according to the generally accepted standard of care.

Avila, Fernando, M.D., Lic. No. G2899, San Antonio
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Fernando Avila, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Avila and requiring Dr. Avila to complete within one year Texas A&M's Knowledge, Skills, Training, Assessment and Research (KSTAR) program's clinical competency assessment; complete within one year a preparation course for anesthesia board-certification; pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days; and require Dr. Avila's chart monitor, as set forth in a 2010 Order, to focus on the monitoring of anesthesia records. The action was based on Dr. Avila's failure to meet the standard of care in his treatment of a patient who underwent a steroid injection procedure and suffered an anoxic brain injury as a result; his failure to comply with Board guidelines on the treatment of pain; failure to follow Board guidelines for the provision of anesthesia in an outpatient setting; and failure to register with the Board as a provider of office-based anesthesia services.

Barker, Wade Neal, M.D., Lic. No. J1859, Dallas
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Wade Neal Barker, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Barker to have a physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles; and complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping and eight hours in the topic of practice management with a focus on appropriate coding and billing. The action was based on Dr. Barker's failure to treat a patient according to the standard of care; failure to obtain informed consent; and failure to maintain adequate medical records.

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Paul E. Barrus, D.O., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Barrus and requiring him to pass within one year the Medical Jurisprudence Examination within three attempts or face immediate suspension; complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in ethics and eight in medical record-keeping; refrain from treating his immediate family and prescribing controlled substances to himself or his immediate family; and have a physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles. The action was based on Dr. Barrus's failure to comply with Board guidelines for treatment of pain, failure to treat a patient according to the standard of care and unprofessional conduct.

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Joseph Anthony Bianco, D.O., entered an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Bianco to pass within one year the Special Purpose Examination (SPEX), within three attempts; complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping; and pay an administrative penalty of $3,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Bianco's failure to maintain adequate medical records and failure to meet the standard of care in his treatment of a patient who was prematurely discharged from the hospital.

Brudnak, Daniel M., M.D., Lic. No. J1894, Gorman
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Daniel M. Brudnak, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Brudnak to have a physician monitor his practice for 12 monitoring cycles; complete within one year 24 hours of CME including eight hours in ethics, eight hours in risk management and eight hours medical record-keeping; in the second year under this order, complete 16 hours of CME including eight hours in risk management and eight hours in medical record-keeping; within one year, and within three attempts, pass the Medical Jurisprudence Examination. The action was based on Dr. Brudnak's prescribing dangerous drugs in a manner inconsistent with public health and welfare; his failure to meet the standard of care; failure to safeguard against potential complications; and failure to disclose reasonable alternative treatments to a proposed procedure or treatment.

Cantu, Maricela, D.O., Lic. No. L8637, Houston
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Maricela Cantu, D.O., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Cantu and requiring her to abstain from consumption of prohibited substances for one year except as prescribed by another physician for legitimate therapeutic purposes; undergo an evaluation by a neurologist and follow all recommendations for continued care and treatment; pass within one year, and within three attempts, the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical ethics; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 90 days. In addition, Dr. Cantu may not serve as a physician for her immediate family or prescribe controlled substances or dangerous drugs to herself or her immediate family. The action was based on Dr. Cantu's writing false or fictitious prescriptions for dangerous drugs or controlled substances and nontherapeutic prescribing.

Childers, Manon Eli, III, M.D., Lic. No. G4911, Perryton
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Manon Eli Childers III, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Childers to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; complete within one year the physician-prescribing course offered by the PACE program; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 90 days. The Board found Dr. Childers failed to practice medicine in an acceptable professional manner; kept inadequate medical records; and violated Board guidelines for treatment of pain.

Daggubati, Subbarao, M.D., Lic. No. G2678, Abilene
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Subbarao Daggubati, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Daggubati to have a physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles; complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Daggubati's failure to maintain adequate medical records; and failure use proper diligence in his medical practice when he did not timely refer a patient to an oncologist.

Dailey, Warren Bertrand, M.D., Lic. No. F8454, Houston
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Warren Bertrand Dailey, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Dailey to have a physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles; pass within one year, within three attempts, the Medical Jurisprudence Examination; complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Dailey's inadequate medical records; failure to practice medicine in an acceptable professional manner; failure to meet the standard of care; and prescribing in a manner inconsistent with public health and welfare.
Edwards, Betty Jo, M.D., Lic. No. E6072, Houston
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Betty Jo Edwards, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Edwards to complete within one year 20 hours of CME including 10 hours in obstetrical emergencies and 10 hours in medical record-keeping; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The basis for action was Dr. Edwards’ failure to meet the standard of care in her treatment of a patient in labor.

Espiritu, Armando J., M.D., Lic. No. E5516, Georgetown
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Armando J. Espiritu, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Espiritu and requiring Dr. Espiritu to have another physician monitor his practice for 12 monitoring cycles; surrender his controlled substance certificates; within one year, and within three attempts, pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Espiritu’s failure to meet the standard of care; nontherapeutic prescribing; writing prescriptions for a person known to be an abuser of narcotics; and dishonorable conduct likely to deceive or injure the public in his treatment of pain patients.

Evans, Donnie, M.D., Lic. No. H5705, Houston
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Donnie Evans, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Evans to have his practice monitored by another physician for three years; and complete within one year 24 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping, eight hours in diagnosis and treatment of chronic pain, and eight hours in risk management. The action was based on Dr. Evans’ failure to comply with pain treatment guidelines; failure to meet the standard of care; and nontherapeutic prescribing.

Fazel, Mohammad Reza, M.D., Lic. No. G1003, Olney
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Mohammad Reza Fazel, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Fazel to have a physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles; complete within one year 30 hours of CME including 10 hours in medical record-keeping, 10 hours in risk management, and 10 hours in pain management; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,500 within 120 days. The basis for action was Dr. Fazel’s failure to treat a patient according to the generally accepted standard of care.

Ferrell, John Carl, M.D., Lic. No. G8835, Frisco
On April 8, 2011, the Board and John Carl Ferrell, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Ferrell to have another physician monitor his practice for six consecutive monitoring cycles; and complete within one year 20 hours of live or online CME including 12 hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in risk management. The action was based on Dr. Ferrell’s inadequate medical records and failure to meet the standard of care in his treatment of one patient.

Fuentes, Jose Armando, M.D., Lic. No. F1557, Dallas
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Jose Armando Fuentes, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Fuentes to have another physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles; complete within one year 16 hours of CME in managing and prescribing for chronic pain. The action was based on Dr. Fuentes’ failure to meet the standard of care in his management of a patient’s chronic pain when he continued to prescribe despite her noncompliance with treatment.

Garnepudi, Mary J., M.D., Lic. No. H8650, Cleveland
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Mary J. Garnepudi, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Garnepudi to complete within one year 16 hours of CME in the topic of post-operative gynecological emergencies and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Garnepudi’s failure to meet the standard of care and safeguard against potential complications in her treatment of one patient.

Grate, Isaac Jr., M.D., Lic. No. G4003, Houston
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Isaac Grate Jr., M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Grate and requiring Dr. Grate to complete within one year 30 hours of CME including 20 hours in emergency medicine and acute care and 10 hours in medical record-keeping; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 180 days. The Board found Dr. Grate failed to maintain adequate medical records and failed to use proper diligence in his professional practice when two residents under his supervision inappropriately discharged two patients from the emergency room.

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Commie L. Hisey, D.O., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Hisey to pass within one year, within three attempts, the Medical Jurisprudence Examination; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,500 within 60 days. The basis for action was Dr. Hisey’s failure to comply with pain treatment guidelines; failure to meet the standard of care; and nontherapeutic prescribing.

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Terry Lee Johnson, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Johnson to complete six hours of CME in the topic of life-threatening conditions in infants within one year. The action was based on Dr. Johnson’s failure to use proper diligence in his professional practice to safeguard against potential complications when his actions delayed a pediatric patient’s diagnosis of neonatal leukemia.

On April 4, 2011, the Board and Richard Robert Jones, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Jones to complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in recognizing and treating acute renal failure, and eight hours in risk management. The Board found Dr. Jones failed to practice medicine in an acceptable manner consistent with public health and welfare and failed to use diligence in his care of one patient.

Joseph, Dominic M., M.D., Lic. No. J1278, Sugar Land
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Dominic M. Joseph, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Joseph to complete within one year five hours of CME in ethics and pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 50 days. The basis for action was that Dr. Joseph’s terminating patient care without providing reasonable notice to the patient.

Kanaan, Elias T., M.D., Lic. No. K3270, Livingston
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Elias T. Kanaan, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Kanaan to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; and have a physician monitor his practice for eight monitoring cycles. The Board found that Dr. Kanaan failed to maintain adequate medical records for chronic pain patients and failed to use proper diligence in his professional practice in failing to follow up on patient compliance and pain management referrals.

Kon dejewski, Richard Joseph, M.D., Lic. No. F0548, League City
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Richard Joseph
Kondejewski, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Kondejewski and requiring Dr. Kondejewski to surrender his DEA and DPS controlled substance certificates; pass within one year and within three attempts the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; complete within one year 32 hours of CME including 16 hours in medical record-keeping and 16 hours in the subject of evaluation and treatment of workers compensation patients; and for one year cease supervising or delegating prescriptive authority to physician extenders. The Board found Dr. Kondejewski violated Board rules regarding the treatment of chronic pain; failed to use proper diligence in his practice; prescribed dangerous drugs to a known abuser; and prescribed in a nontherapeutic manner in his treatment of a patient’s depression.

Kumar, Malini A., M.D., Lic. No. M2995, Friendswood
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Malini A. Kumar, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Kumar to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; complete within one year eight hours of CME in risk management and eight hours in diagnosing and treating chronic pain; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Kumar non-therapeutically prescribed controlled substances; failed to meet the standard of care; and failed to maintain adequate medical records for chronic pain patients.

Molina, Orestes M., M.D., Lic. No. M4370, McAllen
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Orestes Molina, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Molina to complete within one year 10 hours of CME including five hours in medical record-keeping and five hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Molina’s failure to practice medicine in an acceptable professional manner; failure to safeguard against potential complications; and a written standard-of-care violation finding against him by hospital medical staff.

Muniz, Margarita A., M.D., Lic. No. G7695, Corpus Christi
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Margarita A. Muniz, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Muniz to complete within one year the professional boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education program (PACE); complete within one year 12 hours of CME including four hours in ethics, eight hours in medical record-keeping; pass within one year the Medical Jurisprudence Examination within three attempts; refrain from treating her immediate family; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Muniz’s failure to meet the standard of care; inappropriate prescription of dangerous drugs to oneself, family members or others in which there is a close personal relationship; failure to follow guidelines for the prescription of pain medications; becoming financially or personally involved with a patient in an inappropriate manner; and nontherapeutic prescribing.

Paskow, James Andrew, M.D., Lic. No. H8790, Houston
On March 3, 2011, the Board and James Andrew Paskow, M.D., entered into a three-year Mediated Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Paskow and requiring Dr. Paskow to modify his DEA and DPS controlled substance certificates to eliminate Schedules II, III, IV and V; cease any chronic pain treatment of patients until he completes 30 hours of CME in chronic pain management; have a chaperone present any time he examines a female patient; have a physician monitor his practice; within one year pass the Medical Jurisprudence Examination within three attempts; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 180 days. In addition, Dr. Paskow is not permitted to supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to any physician extenders. The Board’s action was based on the finding that Dr. Paskow failed to meet the standard of care for 21 patients; engaged in unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; violated Board rules on the practice of pain management; and administered a drug or treatment that was nontherapeutic in nature.

Phillips, Gregory K., M.D., Lic. No. H6511, Roanoke
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Gregory K. Phillips, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Phillips to have his practice monitored by another physician for eight monitoring cycles; complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; complete within one year 14 hours of CME including 10 hours in diagnosing and treating chronic pain, and four hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $3,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Phillips failed to comply with guidelines for the use of pain medicines; failed to meet the standard of care; and prescribed in a nontherapeutic manner.

Pisharodi, Madhavan, M.D., Lic. No. G0796, Brownsville
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Madhavan Pisharodi, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Pisharodi to complete within one year 10 hours of CME in risk management. The Board found Dr. Pisharodi failed to safeguard against potential complications when a patient suffered complications following an epidural injection he performed in his office and his staff was not adequately trained to perform advanced life support.

Proler, Meyer Leon, M.D., Lic. No. D0260, Houston
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Meyer Leon Proler, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Proler to pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 180 days. The Board found Dr. Proler failed to meet the standard of care in his treatment of a patient and failed to supervise delegates adequately.

Pruneda, Joe M., III, M.D., Lic. No. H5823, Kerrville
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Joe M. Pruneda III, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Pruneda to complete within one year 12 hours of CME including eight hours in risk management and four hours in medical record-keeping. The Board found Dr. Pruneda inappropriately prescribed to family members and did not maintain adequate medical records.

Rice, Dana Lynn, M.D., Lic. No. L1982, Longview
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Dana Lynn Rice, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Rice and requiring Dr. Rice to remain in compliance with her Louisiana Consent Order which placed her on probation for three years. Under the Louisiana Order, Dr. Rice must secure a primary care physician for any ongoing medical issues; refrain from prescribing any Schedule II, III, IV or V drugs unless in a hospital setting; refrain from treating herself or family members; and refrain from treating chronic pain or obesity. In addition, Dr. Rice must surrender her DPS controlled substance certificate; may not administer to herself or any member of her immediate family any prescription drugs for 10 years; must take within one year and pass within three attempts the Medical Jurisprudence Examination; complete within one year five hours of CME in ethics; and pay an administrative penalty of $4,500 within 180 days. The Board found Dr. Rice did not comply with guidelines for chronic pain treatment; failed to meet the standard of care; and was subject to disciplinary action by another state; and engaged in dishonorable conduct when she saw and treated patients out of her home and kept...
no medical records for these patients.

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Linda J. Roos, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Roos to contact the Texas A&M Health Science Center Rural and Community Health Institute’s KSTAR program within 90 days for the purpose of scheduling an assessment of Dr. Roos’ practice of medicine. The action was based on Dr. Roos’ violation of rules regarding treatment of chronic pain; unprofessional conduct; failure to use diligence in her professional practice; nontherapeutic prescribing; and writing prescriptions for a person who is a known abuser of narcotic drugs.

**Sanchez, Elisa Garza, M.D., Lic. No. H0378, Pharr**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Elisa Garza Sanchez, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Sanchez to complete eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping and 16 hours of CME in child and adolescent psychiatry; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Sanchez kept inadequate medical records and failed to treat a 10-year-old patient according to the standard of care.

**Sims, Ronald Esteene, M.D., Lic. No. G0123, League City**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Ronald Esteene Sims, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Sims permanently surrendered his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The Board found Dr. Sims non-therapeutically prescribed controlled substances to several patients.

**Srivathanakul, Suraphandhu, M.D., Lic. No. E7288, Dallas**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Suraphandhu Srivathanakul, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Srivathanakul to surrender his DEA and DPS controlled substance certificates for Schedules II, III and IV; cease possessing, administering or prescribing any controlled substances from Schedules II, III or IV (with the exception of testosterone); pass within 90 days the Special Purpose Examination (SPEX); within 90 days contact the Texas A&M Health Science Center Rural and Community Health Institute’s KSTAR program for the purpose of scheduling an assessment; and complete within one year 10 hours of CME in addiction medicine. The action was based on Dr. Srivathanakul’s failure to comply with guidelines for pain medicine; failure to meet the standard of care; and prescribing dangerous drugs in a manner inconsistent with public health and welfare.

**Ukoli, Preston O.M., M.D., Lic. No. J7705, Brownsville**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Preston O.M. Ukoli, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Ukoli to complete within one year 16 hours of CME, in person, in the subject of medical record-keeping. The Board found Dr. Ukoli failed to exercise diligence in his professional practice and failed to maintain adequate medical records.

**Vaughns, Sylvester Grant, M.D., Lic. No. F8354, Richmond**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Sylvester Grant Vaughns, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Vaughns to surrender his DEA and DPS controlled substance registration certificates; undergo a complete physical and neurological examination by a Board-approved physician and comply with recommended treatment for any condition that could adversely affect Dr. Vaughns’ ability to safely practice medicine; and within six months complete all delinquent CME. The order was based on Dr. Vaughns’ nontherapeutic prescribing for five patients and failure to treat patients according to the generally accepted standard of care.

**Vinther, Randal Neil, M.D., Lic. No. H7246, Nacogdoches**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Randal Neil Vinther, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Vinther to complete eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping; pass within one year and within three attempts the Medical Jurisprudence Examination; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Vinther violated the standard of care in his treatment and prescribing of controlled substances for a close family member.

**Ward, Julia Renee, M.D., Lic. No. M5571, Houston**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Julia Renee Ward, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order revoking Dr. Ward’s license, staying the revocation, and placing her on probation under the following terms and conditions: the Agreed Order constitutes a public reprimand of Dr. Ward and requires her to surrender her controlled substance certificates; have a physician monitor her practice, limit her practice to a group or institutional setting approved in advance; complete within two years the prescribing course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education program; within one year pass the Medical Jurisprudence Examination within three attempts; complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping and eight hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within one year. The action was based on Dr. Ward’s failure to meet the standard of care; failure to safeguard against potential complications; nontherapeutic prescribing; and dishonorable conduct likely to deceive or defraud the public.

**White, Dezra, M.D., Lic. No. D5247, Houston**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Dezra White, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. White to have his practice monitored by another physician for four three-month cycles; and complete within one year 20 hours of CME including 10 hours in high-risk obstetrics and 10 hours in medical record-keeping. The Board found Dr. White failed to safeguard against potential complications and failed to maintain an adequate medical record for one obstetric patient.

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Bryan Robert Wieck, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Wieck to complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping and eight hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Wieck failed to meet the standard of care in his treatment of a psychiatric patient.

**Wong, Ronald Din, M.D., Lic. No. J5950, San Antonio**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Ronald Din Wong, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Wong to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Wong’s inadequate medical records and failure to practice medicine in an acceptable professional manner.

**PEER REVIEW/ OTHER STATES’ ACTION**

**Brown, Roy C., M.D., Lic. No. H2027, McChord AFB, WA**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Roy C. Brown, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Brown to pass within one year and within three attempts the Special Purpose Examination as promulgated by the Federation of State Medical Boards. The action was based on the United States Air Force revoking Dr. Brown’s privileges following a review of over 30 cases in which he failed to meet the standard of care.

**Jain, Avanindra, M.D., Lic. No. J0539, Palestine**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Avanindra Jain, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Jain to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; complete within one year 24 hours of CME including eight hours in person in the topic of physician-patient communication, eight hours in ethics and eight hours in obtaining informed consent; within one year complete a 30-hour board review course in cardiology; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Jain’s failure to meet the standard of care; failure to safeguard against potential complications; failure to timely respond to any request from the patient or the patient’s family or representatives; and behaving in a disruptive manner. In addition, Dr. Jain was the subject of a peer review action that resulted in revocation of his hospital privileges.

Lujan-Baez, Celeste Aida, M.D., Lic. No. K1537, DeRidder, LA

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Celeste Aida Lujan-Baez, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring her to comply with all terms and conditions of her Louisiana Medical Board disciplinary order; renew her Texas license as soon as possible; and notify the Board prior to moving to Texas. The action was based on her being disciplined by the Louisiana Medical Board for violating a Louisiana law against Internet prescribing and her failure to timely renew her license to practice medicine in Texas.

Rossin, Richard David, M.D., Lic. No. TM00101, Eden Prairie, MN

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Richard David Rossin, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Rossin to pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 60 days. The action was based on the Board’s finding that Dr. Rossin, who holds a Texas telemedicine license, had been disciplined by another state after being investigated by the California Department of Public Health and required to surrender for seven years his radiologic X-ray supervisor and operator license in that state.

Scroggins, Timothy Allen, M.D., Lic. No. J4506, Spencer, OH

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Timothy Allen Scroggins, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to comply with all terms of his 2009 five-year probationary consent agreement with the Medical Board of Ohio. The Ohio order requires Dr. Scroggins to continue treatment for depression, and forward quarterly compliance information to the Texas Medical Board. The basis for action was based on Dr. Scroggins’ inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety as a result of any mental or physical condition.

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Adubga, Ikenna, M.D., Lic. No. K6978, Denton

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Ikenna Adubga, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Adubga to pay within 60 days an administrative penalty of $2,000. The basis for action was Dr. Adubga’s failure to comply with requests for information from the Board.

Ahmed, Faiz, M.D., Lic. No. J4683, Sugar Land

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Faiz Ahmed, M.D., entered into a four-year Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Ahmed to have a female chaperone when he examines a female patient; and complete within one year the professional boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program. The basis for action was Dr. Ahmed’s engaging in inappropriate behavior or comments directed towards a patient.

Baird, Kenneth Ewell, M.D., Lic. No. H5658, Carrollton

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Kenneth Ewell Baird, M.D., entered into a 10-year Agreed Order requiring Dr. Baird to use a female chaperone any time he performs a physical examination on a female patient; within 30 days submit to the Board names of up to three physicians who agree to serve as Dr. Baird’s treating psychiatrist; and comply with any recommended psychiatric care and treatment. The Board found Dr. Baird became financially or personally involved with a patient in an inappropriate manner; inappropriately prescribed to an individual with whom he had a close personal relationship; and kept inadequate medical records.

Bay, Luis Pablo, M.D., Lic. No. J5259, McAllen

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Luis Pablo Bay, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Bay to complete within one year 10 hours of CME in disruptive behavior/anger management and 10 hours in risk management. The Board found Dr. Bay engaged in disruptive behavior that could adversely impact the quality of care rendered to patients.

Cruz, Ramon Apostol, M.D., Lic. No. K3703, Denton

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Ramon Apostol Cruz, M.D., entered into an Interim Agreed Order, lifting his March 14, 2011 temporary suspension and restricting his practice to treating, seeing and diagnosing male patients only. The order also requires Dr. Cruz to undergo a psychiatric examination at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston and follow all recommendations for continued care and treatment, and complete the professional boundaries course offered at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. The action was based on Dr. Cruz’s unprofessional conduct when he engaged in unwanted, sexually inappropriate behavior and comments directed toward several female patients.


On April 8, 2011, the Board and Rajen Bhulabhai Desai, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Desai and requiring Dr. Desai to undergo an independent medical evaluation by a psychiatrist; comply with any recommended treatment; complete within one year the professional boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; within one year complete 24 hours of CME including 18 hours in risk management, and six in ethics; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Desai’s unsolicited, unwanted and sexually inappropriate behavior and comments directed at patients or patient family members.


On February 4, 2011, the Board and John Joseph Faillace, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Faillace and requiring Dr. Faillace to complete the boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program within one year; complete 16 hours of CME including eight hours in ethics and eight hours in medical record-keeping within one year; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 60 days. This action was based on Dr. Faillace’s unprofessional conduct when he became romantically involved with a patient.

Miller, Jerry Winkler, M.D., Lic. No. H1626, El Paso

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Jerry Winkler Miller, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Miller to pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 90 days. The basis for action was Dr. Miller’s unprofessional conduct when he provided false or misleading information to the Board.
Mulroy, Amy Edmondson, M.D., Lic. No. J6417, San Antonio
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Amy Edmondson Mulroy, M.D., entered into a 15-year Agreed Order requiring Dr. Mulroy to abstain from consumption of prohibited substances; participate in Alcoholics Anonymous at least three times a week; participate in Caduceus at least once a week; comply with recommended care and treatment by a psychiatrist; refrain from using prescription medication; submit to an evaluation from a psychiatrist and comply with any treatment recommendations; maintain adequate medical records; practice in an acceptable, professional manner; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 90 days. The Board found Dr. Mulroy used alcohol or drugs in an im temperate manner; and engaged in sexually inappropriate behavior with a patient.

Neal, Kerry Doyle, M.D., Lic. No. H0090, Grapevine
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Kerry Doyle Neal, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Neal and requiring him to complete the professional boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 180 days. The Board found Dr. Neal engaged in unprofessional conduct when he became personally involved with a patient in an inappropriate manner.

Sanders, Mark Seltzer, M.D., Lic. No. H0002, Houston
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Mark Seltzer Sanders, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Sanders to complete within one year an anger management course; complete within one year 10 hours of CME including five hours in physician/patient relations and five hours in ethics; and pay an administrative penalty of $3,000 within 90 days. The Board found Dr. Sanders behaved in a disruptive manner when he tossed a piece of surgical equipment in the operating room and inadvertently struck an x-ray student; and failed to establish a proper physician-patient relationship when he offered advice by way of an Internet blog.

Smith, Stephen Harkness, M.D., Lic. No. J0271, San Angelo
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Stephen Harkness Smith, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Smith to complete within one year 24 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping, eight hours in ethics and eight hours in stress management. The Board found Dr. Smith did not maintain adequate medical records for a patient and became financially or personally involved with a patient in an inappropriate manner.

Torio, Rolando Nagar, M.D., Lic. No. F0050, Lubbock
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Rolando Nagar Torio, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Torio and requiring Dr. Torio to complete within six months and document 12 hours of required CME, and repeat the procedure until the entire 48 hours of CME required by a previous Board order are completed. At least eight of the 48 hours must include ethics. In addition, Dr. Torio must pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Torio engaged in unprofessional conduct when he failed to comply with a Board order.

CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR/CONVICTIONS

Zimmerman, Erika Irene, M.D., Lic. No. J6829, Austin
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Erika Irene Zimmerman, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Zimmerman to take within one year and pass within three attempts the Medical Jurisprudence Examination; complete 12 hours of CME to be divided as follows: eight hours in medical record-keeping and four hours in recognizing drug-seeking behavior; and report the outcome of her pending criminal case to the Board. The Board’s action was based on Dr. Zimmerman’s unprofessional conduct likely to defraud or injure the public. On September 5, 2008, Dr. Zimmerman was arrested for Delivery of a Prescription for a Controlled Substance in Schedule V Without a Valid Medical Reason, a Class A misdemeanor.

IMPAIRMENT DUE TO ALCOHOL, DRUGS OR MEDICAL CONDITION

Clark, Robert Ernest, III, M.D., Lic. No. F6532, Memphis TX
On February 28, 2011, the Board and Robert Ernest Clark III, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Clark and subjecting him to the following terms and conditions for 10 years: Dr. Clark must maintain his controlled substance certificates from the DPS and DEA and may not reregister without written authorization from the Board; Dr. Clark must abstain from consumption of prohibited substances such as alcohol in any form, dangerous drugs and controlled substances; participate in the Board’s drug testing program; submit to an evaluation from a psychiatrist and comply with any treatment recommendations; attend Alcoholics Anonymous meetings at least five times a week; pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam within two years and within three attempts; complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in ethics. In addition, Dr. Clark may not treat his immediate family or prescribe drugs with potential for abuse to himself or his immediate family. The action was based on Dr. Clark’s failure to maintain adequate medical records; his inability to practice medicine because of excessive use of drugs; his failure to practice in an acceptable, professional manner; dishonorable conduct; and his inappropriate prescription of dangerous drugs or controlled substances to himself and his wife.

Davis, John Scott, M.D., G2942, Galveston
On February 4, 2011, the Board and John Scott Davis, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Davis. The Board’s action was based on Dr. Davis’s intemperate use of alcohol or drugs that could endanger a patient’s life. Dr. Davis’s Faculty Temporary License at a Texas medical school was cancelled by the Board after he resigned his position; he holds no other form of licensure in Texas.

Hoefelmann, Richard Walter, M.D., Lic. No. F7783, Mineral Wells
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Richard Walter Hoefelmann, M.D., entered into a two-year Agreed Order requiring Dr. Hoefelmann to have a practice monitor for four monitoring cycles; complete within one year 20 hours of CME in the subject of medical record-keeping; within 30 days submit in writing the name of the physician treating Dr. Hoefelmann for diabetes and comply with recommended treatment; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The Board’s action was based on Dr. Hoefelmann’s inadequate medical records and his inability to practice medicine safely due to his failure to manage his diabetes.

McFarland, Bruce Robin, M.D., Lic. No. H3353, Corpus Christi
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Bruce Robin McFarland, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order suspending Dr. McFarland’s license, staying the suspension, and placing him on probation for 15 years under the following terms and conditions: Dr. McFarland shall abstain from alcohol, dangerous drugs, controlled substance and any substance that may cause a positive alcohol or drug test; shall be evaluated by a psychiatrist and see a treating psychiatrist at least once a month; shall participate in AA five times per week; shall work under the supervision of another physician; shall not supervise any physician assistant or advanced nurse practitioner; shall
not obtain a controlled substance certificate; and shall limit his duties to worker compensation patients, private insurance cases, and making recommendations for treatment and therapy. The action was based on the Board's finding that Dr. McFarland has a long history of impairment, with relapses and violations of previous board orders, and that Dr. McFarland has demonstrated sobriety since January 2009.


On April 8, 2011, the Board and Carlos A. Ricardi, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order referring Dr. Ricardi to the Texas Physician Health Program and requiring him to pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Ricardi's submitting to the Board misleading information in an application for a license.

**Wolinski, Clarence Joseph, III, M.D., Lic. No. N4848, Godley**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Clarence Joseph Wolinski III, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order terminating his suspension and requiring Dr. Wolinski to continue seeing his treating psychiatrist once a month. The action was based on Dr. Wolinski's inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety as a result of a mental or physical condition.

### VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

**Covin, Richard Michael, M.D., J6093, Rhinelander, WI**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Richard Michael Covin, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender, in which Dr. Covin voluntarily and permanently surrendered his Texas medical license. The action was based upon Dr. Covin's health problems.

**Emejulu, Herbert McIver, Lic. No. E4320, Aba, Nigeria**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Herbert McIver Emejulu, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order requiring Dr. Emejulu to immediately cease practice in Texas. The Board found that Dr. Emejulu suffers from an illness that renders him impaired and unable to continue his medical practice.

**Felder, Jerald Barnard, M.D., Lic. No. C7591, Pendleton OR**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Jerald Barnard Felder, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender under which Dr. Felder permanently and voluntarily surrendered his Texas medical license because he has retired due to health reasons and is no longer able to practice medicine.

**Hansen, James Edward, M.D., Lic. No. H2134, Austin**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and James Edward Hansen, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender, in which he agreed to surrender his medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The action was based on Dr. Hansen's inability to practice medicine due to a physical condition; Dr. Hansen has closed his medical practice.

**Hernandez, Mario Viderique, M.D., Lic. No. D7760, San Antonio**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Mario Viderique Hernandez, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Hernandez voluntarily and permanently surrendered his medical license due to his retirement and in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings.

**Kirby, Stella Louise, M.D., Lic. No. L7775, San Antonio**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Stella Louise Kirby, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order requiring Dr. Kirby to immediately cease practice in Texas. This action was in lieu of Dr. Kirby fulfilling the terms of the Agreed Order, entered November 19, 2008 and resolves any complaints regarding Dr. Kirby currently before the Board.

**Korn, Tom Sriratana, M.D., Lic. No. E5813, Sulphur Springs**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Tom Sriratana Korn, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order, in which Dr. Korn voluntarily and permanently surrendered his Texas medical license. The action was based on Dr. Korn’s failure to treat a patient according to the generally accepted standard of care and the revocation of Dr. Korn’s hospital privileges at Hopkins County Memorial Hospital.

**Lee, Karla Jan, M.D., Lic. No. J3339, Grapvine**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Karla Jan Lee, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order requiring Dr. Lee to immediately cease practice in Texas. This action was based on Dr. Lee’s failure to provide proper notification of discontinuance of practice to her patients and the Board.

**Salvador, Eugene Quion, M.D., Lic. No. K4226, Kingsville**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Eugene Quion Salvador, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Salvador voluntarily and permanently surrendered his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The action was based on Dr. Salvador’s non-compliance with a California court order.

**Sherman, Stephen Harris, M.D., Lic. No. G2022, Arcadia CA**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Stephen Harris Sherman, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Sherman voluntarily and permanently surrendered his Texas license in lieu of other state disciplinary proceedings.

**Spetman, Karen Lynn, M.D., Lic. No. H3527, Aledo**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Karen Lynn Spetman, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Spetman gave up her license due to her inability to practice because of a physical condition.

**Walker, Annie Christine Z., M.D., Lic. No. C2823, Forney**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Annie Christine Z. Walker, M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Walker voluntarily and permanently surrendered her license due to a health condition.

### RULES VIOLATION

**Abraham, Cini, M.D., Lic. No. M0629, Rockwall**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Cini Abraham, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order that requires Dr. Abraham to pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Abraham’s failure to use proper diligence in her professional practice when she wrote prescriptions for controlled substances with an expired DPS registration.

**Alvear, Joel, M.D., Lic. No. L1514, Katy**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Joel Alvear, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Alvear to pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 180 days. The action was based on Dr.
Alvear's lack of diligence in his practice.

**Arnold, Lloyd Elvin, Jr., M.D., Lic. No. D0031, Austin**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Lloyd Elvin Arnold Jr., M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Arnold to pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Arnold's failure to provide proper notice to patients of the closing of his practice and an opportunity to obtain their records or have their records transferred.

**Bailey, Charles Ferguson, Jr., M.D., Lic. No. C6859, Snyder**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Charles Ferguson Bailey Jr., M.D., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Bailey voluntarily and permanently surrendered his license in lieu of disciplinary proceedings related to his unreported change of address and incomplete CME requirements.

**Carrasco-Santiago, Manuel R., M.D., Lic. No. J5275, Big Spring**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Manuel R. Carrasco-Santiago, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Carrasco-Santiago to complete within one year 10 hours of CME in the subject of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) coding; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Carrasco-Santiago's submitting a billing statement that he knew or should have known was improper.

**Castro-Zappia, Gloria A., M.D., Lic. No. E9144, Beaumont**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Gloria A. Castro-Zappia, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Castro-Zappia to pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Castro-Zappia's writing several prescriptions for controlled substances with an expired DPS registration number over a one-month period.

**Dharma, Kalamani Rachel, M.D., Lic. No. G3289, Dallas**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Kalamani Rachel Dharma, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Dharma to have a physician monitor her practice for eight monitoring cycles; complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $5,000 within 90 days. The basis for action was Dr. Dharma's inadequate medical records and violation of state laws regarding informed consent for abortions.

**Gonzalez, Juan Manuel, M.D., Lic. No. H4937, Houston**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Juan Manuel Gonzalez, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Gonzalez to pass within one year, and within three attempts, the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Gonzalez's failure to report to the Board his arrest and misdemeanor conviction for driving while intoxicated.

**Hutchens, Jerome E., M.D., Lic. No. C5733, Houston**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Jerome E. Hutchens, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Hutchens to complete within six months the Knowledge, Skills, Training, Assessment, and Research (KSTAR) program's Clinical Competency Assessment offered by the Texas A&M Health Science Center Rural and Community Health Institute; and within six months undergo a complete medical examination by a Board-approved physician and comply with any recommended continuing care. The order also prohibits Dr. Hutchens from reapplying for a DEA controlled substance certificate. The order was based on Dr. Hutchens' failure to report his criminal history to the Board and the surrender of his controlled substance certificate to the DEA in lieu of further prosecution.

**Koppersmith, Daniel L., M.D., Lic. No. H3691, Pasadena**
On April 8, 2011, the Board and Daniel L. Koppersmith, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Koppersmith to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The basis for action was Dr. Koppersmith's failure to maintain adequate medical records and failure to release medical records within 15 business days following the receipt of a request.

**Miller, Beth Wheelus, M.D., Lic. No. F4283, Austin**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Beth Wheelus Miller, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Miller to pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 60 days. The basis for action was Dr. Miller's violation of Board rules that prohibit the pre-signing of prescriptions for controlled substances. A mitigating factor was Dr. Miller's being placed in an “untenable position” by the hospital where she worked.

**Montero, Karin E., M.D., Lic. No. H2158, Austin**
On January 24, 2011, the Board and Karin E. Montero, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Montero to pass within one year the Medical Jurisprudence Examination, within three attempts; complete within six months the CME required for licensure maintenance; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000. The basis for action was Dr. Montero's failure to complete the minimum required hours of CME for licensure maintenance.

**Saran, Nirmal, M.D., Lic. No. E4933, Arlington**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Nirmal Saran, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Saran and requiring Dr. Saran to complete within six months all deficiencies in CME that are required CME for licensure maintenance; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Saran had not completed CME as required.

**Saranathan, Kasturirangan, M.D., Lic. No. F7599, Houston**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Kasturirangan Saranathan, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Saranathan to complete within one year at least eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping and eight hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Saranathan's failure to maintain adequate medical records; failure to follow Board rules regarding management of chronic pain; and failure to use proper diligence in his professional practice.

On February 4, 2011, the Board and John Bullard Schoonmaker, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Schoonmaker to complete within two years 30 hours of CME to be divided as follows: 20 hours in psychopharmacology, and 10 hours in risk management or medical record-keeping or a combination of both; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,500 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Schoonmaker failed to maintain adequate records; failed to timely release a patient's medical records; and failed to use diligence in his professional practice.

**Silva, Jose J., M.D., Lic. No. J0675, El Paso**
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Jose J. Silva, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Silva to complete within...
one year 15 hours of CME including 10 hours in medical record-keeping and five hours in risk management; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Silva’s failure to maintain adequate medical records and release patient records in a timely manner.

**Smith, Ferril Chris, M.D., Lic. No. G0136, Austin**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Ferril Chris Smith, M.D., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order requiring Dr. Smith to complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight in medical record-keeping and eight in risk management. The Board found Dr. Smith kept inadequate medical records for two pain patients.

**Templin, David Brian, M.D., Lic. No. M4964, New Braunfels**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and David Brian Templin, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Templin to pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Templin’s failure to respond to Board requests for information.

**VIOLATION OF PRIOR ORDER**

**Esparza, Gina Marie, M.D., Lic. No. L2237, San Antonio**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Gina Marie Esparza, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Esparza to pass within one year, within three attempts, the Medical Jurisprudence Examination and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Esparza violated a 2009 Board Order.

**Carter, Harvey Lee, III, M.D., Lic. No. H1564, Dallas**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Harvey Lee Carter, III, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Carter to pay an administrative fee in the amount of $2,000 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Carter’s failure to maintain adequate medical records.

**Clariday, Gregory T., M.D., Lic. No. G3230, Webster**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Gregory T. Clariday, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Clariday to complete within one year 16 hours of CME including four hours in medical record-keeping, four hours in risk management and eight hours in time management; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Clariday’s failure to use proper diligence in his professional practice and inadequate medical records for one cataract surgery patient.

**Dickerson, Karen Delane, M.D., Lic. No. J4083, Dallas**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Karen Delane Dickerson, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Dickerson to complete within one year the medical record-keeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; complete within one year eight hours of CME in ethics, eight hours in risk management and four hours in supervising physician extenders; and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Dickerson’s failure to maintain complete medical records for patients treated for chronic pain; failure to supervise adequately those under her supervision; and failure to use proper diligence in her professional practice.

**Dingler, Chance Wayne, M.D., Lic. No. K0286, Nocona**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Chance Wayne Dingler, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Dingler to complete within one year 12 hours of CME including four hours in risk management, four hours in medical record-keeping and four hours in end-of-life care in a hospital setting. The action was based on Dr. Dingler’s failure to maintain adequate medical records for one patient.

**Dodson, Jerry Wayne, M.D., Lic. No. D8195, San Angelo**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Jerry Wayne Dodson, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Dodson to complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in physician-patient communication; and pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 60 days. The action was based on Dr. Dodson’s failure to adequately document his psychiatric treatment of a patient.

**Durand, Jaime P., M.D., Lic. No. H2118, Arlington**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Jaime P. Durand, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Durand to complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping. The basis for action was Dr. Durand’s failure to maintain adequate medical records that are complete and legible.

**Ekanyake, Surendranath, M.D., Lic. No. M7163, Baltimore MD**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Surendranath Ekanyake, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Ekanyake to complete within one year 12 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in ethics. The basis for action was Dr. Ekanyake’s failure to maintain adequate medical records for three patients on whom he performed abdominoplasties when performing medically necessary procedures.

**Hussain, Mustafa, M.D., Lic. No. J1695, Amarillo**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Mustafa Hussain, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Hussain to complete within one year five hours of CME in medical record-keeping. The basis for action was Dr. Hussain’s failure to maintain adequate medical records and failure to obtain informed consent when he wrote a prescription for a patient without informing the patient’s wife, who held the patient’s medical power of attorney.

**Lester, R. Anton, III, D.O., Lic. No. F3204, Tyler**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and R. Anton Lester, III, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Lester to complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping. The Board’s action was based on Dr. Lester’s failure to maintain adequate medical records for one patient.

**Randolph, Harvey Henry, Jr., D.O., Lic. No. D5820, Nederland**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Harvey Henry Randolph Jr., D.O., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Randolph to complete within one year eight hours of CME in medical record-keeping and pay an administrative penalty of $500 within 60 days. The Board found Dr. Randolph failed to maintain adequate medical records for a patient.

**Remenchik, Ellen Jean, M.D., Lic. No. G8366, Longview**

On February 4, 2011, the Board and Ellen Jean Remenchik, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Remenchik to complete within one year 16 hours of CME including eight hours in medical record-keeping and eight hours in pain management. The action was based upon Dr. Remenchik’s violation of Board rules regarding the maintenance of adequate medical records and guidelines for treating chronic pain.

**Whisenant, Stanley Wayne, M.D., Lic. No. J7725, Rowlett**

On April 8, 2011, the Board and Stanley Wayne Whisenant, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Whisenant to
complete within one year 10 hours of CME in medical record-keeping and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 40 days. The Board found that Dr. Whisenant failed to maintain adequate medical records.

**ADVERTISING VIOLATION**

Malik, Nailsa S., M.D., Lic. No. L4552, Southlake
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Nailsa S. Malik, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Dr. Malik to pay an administrative penalty of $1,000 within 90 days. The action was based on Dr. Malik’s violation of Board rules that prohibit misleading advertising.

**CEASE AND DESIST**

Morales, Francisco, M.D., (licensed in Mexico), Brownsville
On February 9, 2011, Board representatives entered an automatic Cease and Desist Order against Francisco Morales, M.D., who is licensed in Mexico, but not in Texas. The Board’s Executive Director signed the Order, making it effective on February 10, 2011. The Order was based on activities by Dr. Morales inside the physical borders of the State of Texas. The Board representatives found that Dr. Morales, acting in the role of a physician and/or surgeon, met with persons in Texas and physically transported them over the border into Mexico to administer medical treatments in exchange for compensation in violation of the Texas Medical Practice Act.

Borden, Saxon Delano, M.D., (no license), Houston
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Saxon Delano Borden, M.D., entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting him from practicing medicine in Texas. The Board found Dr. Borden engaged in the unlicensed practice of medicine at the South Kirby Pain Relief Center in Houston by holding himself out as a physician; acting in the capacity of a physician; making patient evaluations and treatment recommendations as a physician; and prescribing controlled substances to two patients without proper legal authority. Dr. Borden denies the findings of fact, but agreed to the order to avoid the expense and inconvenience of litigation.

Dickson, Teresa May, M.D., (no license), Flint
On February 4, 2011, the Board and Teresa May Dickson, M.D., entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting Dr. Dickson from practicing medicine in Texas. On February 5, 2010, Dr. Dickson surrendered her license. The Board found that during the period of February 5, 2010 to August 6, 2010, Dr. Dickson engaged in the unlicensed practice of medicine by using her prescription pads to write 35 prescriptions for the dangerous drug Soma. Dr. Dickson denies the findings of fact but agrees to the order to avoid the expense and inconvenience of litigation.

Elkins, Terri Miller, M.D., (no license), Red Oak
On February 4, 2011, the Board entered an order of Cease and Desist By Default against Terri Miller Elkins, M.D., prohibiting her from the practice of medicine. A complaint was filed by the Board with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (Docket No. 503-10-5741) alleging that Dr. Elkins, whose license was cancelled on or about December 8, 2006, wrote herself a physician’s order for a mammogram dated April 1, 2008. Dr. Elkins failed to respond to the complaint, so all facts alleged in the complaint are deemed admitted.

Garza, Gilberto, (no license), Houston
On February 4, 2011, the Board entered an order of Cease and Desist By Default against Gilberto Garza, prohibiting him from the practice of medicine. A complaint was filed by the Board with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (Docket No. 503-10-5742) alleging that Mr. Garza, who is not licensed to practice medicine in Texas, engaged in the practice of medicine in this state during May, June and July 2009, and held himself out as a licensed physician at Pinnacle Pain Management Clinic in Houston; he wore the lab coat of his employer, Joseph J. Patrick, M.D., while seeing one or more patients; and prescribed controlled substances using pre-signed prescription forms bearing the signature of his employer, Dr. Patrick. Mr. Garza failed to respond to the complaint, so all facts alleged in the complaint are deemed admitted.

Juarez, Dario Rivera, (no license), McAllen
On February 4, 2011, the Board entered an order of Cease and Desist By Default against Dario Rivera Juarez, prohibiting him from practicing medicine. A complaint was filed by the Board with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (Docket No. 503-10-5743) alleging that Mr. Juarez, who does not have a Texas medical license, represented himself to patients as a medical doctor at a clinic in La Feria, in 2005 and 2006, where he conducted physical exams on patients, diagnosed complaints, prescribed medications, and wrote prescriptions using prescription authorization numbers belonging to another person, a licensed physician. On October 21, 2006, Mr. Juarez was arrested and charged with a third-degree felony for practicing medicine without a license. On November 1, 2006, Mr. Juarez was arrested and charged with two counts of a second degree felony for sexual assault of two male patients seen by Mr. Juarez in October 2006. Mr. Juarez failed to respond to the Board’s complaint, so all facts alleged in the complaint are deemed admitted.

Mitchell, Roby Dean, M.D., (no license), Amarillo
On February 4, 2011, the Board entered an order of Cease and Desist By Default against Roby Dean Mitchell, M.D., prohibiting him from practicing medicine; his Texas medical license was permanently revoked by the Board in September 2005. A complaint was filed by the Board with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (Docket No. 503-10-5750) alleging that Dr. Mitchell has engaged in the unlicensed practice of medicine in Amarillo, where he operates a medical practice office, advertises his services and solicits patients, and dispensed medications. Dr. Mitchell failed to respond to the Board’s complaint, so all facts alleged in the complaint are deemed admitted.

Valdez, Pedro, M.D., (no license), San Antonio
On February 4, 2011, the Board entered an order of Cease and Desist By Default against Pedro Valdez, M.D., prohibiting him from practicing medicine. Dr. Valdez is not licensed to practice medicine in Texas; in July 2001, he was issued a physician-in-training permit. Subsequently, in April 2003, his permit was revoked. A complaint was filed by the Board with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (Docket No. 503-10-5779) alleging that Dr. Valdez was employed in 2008 by University Health System as a medical assistant and assigned to work in the Bexar County Jail. In March and April 2008, Dr. Valdez performed diagnostic evaluations, made recommendations for x-rays, tests, procedures and treatment plans. Dr. Valdez failed to respond to the Board’s complaint, so all facts alleged in the complaint are deemed admitted.

Weichmann, Michael, (no license), Friendswood
On February 4, 2011, the Board entered an order of Cease and Desist By Default against Michael Weichmann, prohibiting him from practicing medicine. A complaint was filed by the Board on August 11, 2010 with the State Office of Administrative Hearings (Docket No. 503-10-5749) alleging that Mr. Weichmann acted in the capacity of a licensed physician even though he is not, and has never been, licensed in Texas. The Board also alleges that Mr. Weichmann used the medical license of another person to purchase various hormones and/or other
pharmaceutical agents; ordered, prescribed and sold herbal supplements to the public that contained hormones; and recommended medical treatment plans. Mr. Weichmann failed to respond to the Board’s complaint, so all facts alleged in the complaint are deemed admitted.

**LICENSURE ORDERS**

**Bailey, Lawrence, M.D., Lic. No. F9158, Aurora IN**
On May 4, 2011, the Board and Dr. Bailey entered into a Public Disciplinary Order granting Dr. Bailey a license under certain terms and conditions. This action is due to previous actions by the Indiana and Ohio Medical Boards and Dr. Bailey’s time away from the active practice of medicine.

**Alsop, Ernest, Jr., M.D., Lic. No. J6300, Rockport**
On May 3, 2011, the Board and Dr. Alsop entered into a Public Disciplinary Order granting Dr. Alsop a license under certain terms and conditions. This action is due to Dr. Alsop’s history of mental impairment, alcohol addiction and his time away from the active practice of medicine.

**Guzman-Reyes, Sara, M.D., Lic. No. N9709, Austin**
On May 3, 2011, Dr. Guzman-Reyes and the Board entered into an Agreed Licensure Order that imposed an administrative penalty in the amount of $8,000. The penalty was assessed due to the physician submitting false or misleading statements when applying for a license.

**FAST TRACK ORDERS**
The board issued 28 orders for minor statutory violations.

**CORRECTIVE ORDERS**
Corrective orders are for violations that do not warrant restricting a physician’s license but may include requirements such as administrative penalties, continuing medical education or chart monitoring.

Alexander, Bill, M.D., Lake Worth
Algeo, James, Jr., M.D., Hendersonville TN
Anderson, Orson Antonio, M.D., Lic. No. J2480, Odessa
Arrambide, Kathryn H., M.D., Quincy IL
Baron, Dennis B., Jr., D.O., Lic. No. N0634, Austin
Binzer, Thomas C., M.D., Lic. No. J1070, Weatherford
Collins, Timothy M., D.O., Arlington
Cotner, Jerry B., M.D., Richardson
Cumberbatch, Karyn-Anne, M.D., Lic. No. J1642, Wharton
Dandade, Pritam Bajirao, M.D., Lic. No. E0437, El Paso
Garza, Nora O., M.D., San Antonio
Garza, Oscar, M.D., Pearall
Guss, Jennifer E., M.D., Houston
Hadad, Anibal R., M.D., Houston
Harding, Michael O., D.O., North Richland Hills
Harold, James Gregory, M.D., Lic. No. H8111, Longview
Jeang, Ming Kuan, M.D., Lic. No. F6786, Pasadena
Jimenez, Jose F., M.D., Ponte Vedra Beach FL
Johnson, David G., M.D., San Antonio
Jones, Allen J., M.D., Port Orange FL
Jones, Wanvisa Y., M.D., Plano
Kapasi, Moshin, M.D., San Antonio
Laursen, Gerald P., M.D., San Antonio
Le, Than Tien, M.D., Lic. No. K8281, Pinellas Park FL
Levcovitz, Henrique, M.D., San Antonio
Malhotra, Rajesh, M.D., Lic. No. L5448, Raymore MO
Martinez, Richard E., M.D., Boerne
Mbogua, Caroline, M.D., Houston
Memon, Ilyas M., M.D., The Woodlands
Neasman, Farley B., II, M.D., Harlingen
Neblock, Michele L., M.D., Troy MO
Nguyen, Hoa T., M.D., West Monroe LA
Nguyen, Phong Hoai Thu, M.D., Lic. No. K5362, Houston
Okoh, James I., M.D., Eden Prairie MN
Pathikonda, Maya S., M.D., Lic. No. J8082, Victoria
Peel, Deborah C., M.D., Austin
Pierce, Scott M., D.O., Greenville
Rangel, Lionel Christopher, M.D., L1712, El Paso
Reed, Yvonne J., M.D., Cleburne
Reeder, Phillip H., M.D., Waco
Reyes, Jose, M.D., San Antonio
Sacco, Damon C. M.D., Greenbrae CA
Sajadi, Cyrus, M.D., Houston
Sun, John, M.D., Lic. No. K9912, Tomball
Trevino, James G., M.D., San Antonio
Zebaida, Yeheskel, M.D., Corpus Christi

**PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT ORDERS**

**Goodwill, Derrick, P.A., Lic. No. PA04820, Houston**
On February 18, 2011, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Derrick Goodwill, P.A., entered an Agreed Order requiring Mr. Goodwill to complete within one year eight hours of medical record-keeping and pay an administrative penalty of $2,000 within 60 days. The Board found Mr. Goodwill failed to maintain adequate medical records.

**Haynes, T. Franklin, P.A.-C., Lic. No. PA01670, Houston**
On February 18, 2011, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and T. Franklin Haynes, P.A.-C., entered an Agreed Order requiring Mr. Haynes to cease practicing and immediately cease practice in Texas. The action was based on Mr. Haynes’s violation of state law connected with his practice as a physician assistant; his conviction of a felony; dishonorable conduct; and commission of an act of moral turpitude. The Board found Mr. Haynes failed to treat a patient according to the standard of care and prescribed in a non-therapeutic manner.

**Puig, Manuel Antonio, PA-C, Lic. No. PA01816, Alamo**
On February 18, 2011, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Manuel Antonio Puig, PA-C, entered into an Agreed Order of Revocation, revoking Mr. Puig’s license and requiring him to immediately cease practicing in Texas. The action was based on Mr. Puig’s violation of state law and pursuant to his practice as a physician assistant; his conviction of a felony; dishonorable conduct; and commission of an act of moral turpitude. The Board found that Mr. Puig was indicted by a federal grand jury on March 9, 2010, for health care fraud, mail fraud, and conspiracy to defraud the Texas Medicaid program. Mr. Puig admitted he conspired with others to submit Medicaid claims through the Medicaid provider number of a physician who was physically and mentally unable to practice medicine. Mr. Puig pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charge and faces up to 10 years in prison.

**Wheeler, Rachel E., P.A., Lic. No. PA03859, Fort Worth**
On February 18, 2011, the Texas Physician Assistant Board and Rachel E. Wheeler, P.A., entered an Agreed Order requiring Ms. Wheeler to pass within one year and within three attempts the Physician Assistant Jurisprudence Examination; complete 16 hours of CME including eight hours in ethics, and eight hours in pharmacology; pay an administrative penalty of $3,500 within 60 days; cease treating her immediate family and refrain from prescribing controlled substances for herself or her immediate family. Ms. Wheeler may self-administer or administer to
her family only such drugs as prescribed by a physician for legitimate medical purposes. The Board found Ms. Wheeler engaged in unprofessional or dishonorable conduct and failed to practice in an acceptable manner when she prescribed to herself and to her mother without conducting adequate exams or evaluations and used her supervising physician's DEA registration number without the physician's authorization.

**SURGICAL ASSISTANT ORDERS**

**Garcia, Eliazar Castillo, Surgical Assistant, Lic. No. SA00207**

On March 15, 2011, the Texas Medical Board entered an Automatic Order of Suspension against the Texas Surgical Assistant license of Eliazar Castillo Garcia as a result of Mr. Garcia's conviction of a felony, commission of an act of moral turpitude and dishonorable conduct. Mr. Garcia is serving 51 months in prison after being found guilty on February 12, 2010, on one count of conspiracy to commit healthcare fraud and five counts of aiding, abetting and assisting healthcare fraud.

**ACUPUNCTURE BOARD ACTIONS**

**Aboytes, Juan, (no license), Kingsville**

On January 21, 2011, the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners entered a Cease and Desist Order by Default against Juan Aboytes. Based on the Board’s investigation, there was evidence that Mr. Aboytes held himself out to the public in March 2009 as an acupuncturist. Further, Mr. Aboytes admitted to a Board investigator in April 2009 that he did perform acupuncture on some people. The Board filed a Complaint at the State Office of Administrative Hearings on August 12, 2010 (SOAH Docket No. 503-10-5781.AC) seeking an order to cease and desist the unlicensed practice of acupuncture. Despite adequate notice, Mr. Aboytes never responded or filed an Answer. Thereafter, upon a Determination of Default, and a subsequent Motion for Remand from SOAH, the Board obtained jurisdiction, again noticed Mr. Aboytes by publication, and after receiving no response, issued its Cease and Desist Order by Default.

**Nakamura, Taro, Ac., Lic. No. AC00261, Houston**

On January 21, 2011, the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners and Taro Nakamura, Ac., entered into an Agreed Order requiring Mr. Nakamura to submit a written plan within three months for improved medical record-keeping on all patient office visits, consultations and treatments. The action was based on Mr. Nakamura’s practicing acupuncture in an unprofessional manner, and his failure to maintain an adequate medical record for one patient.