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65 Doctors Disciplined

During its August 20-22 Board meeting, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners disciplined 65 licensed physicians, who received one or more of the following actions: three revocations; 19 suspensions, of which 13 were stayed and probated under various terms and conditions; 20 restrictions with various terms and conditions, one of which was stayed; 16 public reprimands; and 18 administrative penalties of \$32,700 were assessed. The Board approved the revocation of two acupuncture licenses by the Texas State Board of Acupuncture Examiners. The Texas State Board of Physician Assistant Examiners, at its July 31 meeting, suspended the licenses of two physician assistants, with the suspensions stayed and probated under various terms and conditions.

Board Adopts New Rules

The Board adopted the following proposed rules that were published in the Texas Register: Chapter 163, Licensure, amendments to 163.1, which will correct the name of the "Bureau of Osteopathic Specialists" in definition number 16. Chapter 183, Acupuncture, amendments to 183.13, which will add wording to the document entitled "Form to be Completed by Patient, Notifying the Acupuncturist of Whether He/She Has been Evaluated by a Physician, and Other Information." Chapter 193, Standing Delegation Orders, new section 193.8, regarding delegated administration of immunizations or vaccinations by a pharmacist under written protocol.

Proposed Rules

The Board proposed the following new rules for publication in the Texas Register and comment: Previously published Chapter 200, Standards for Physicians Practicing Integrative and Complementary Medicine, Rule 200.1-200.3 revised and republished. Chapter 161, General Provisions, and Chapter 189, Rule Changes, amendments that will incorporate Chapter 189 into Chapter 161. Chapter 181, Contact Lens Prescriptions, reviewed and republished without amendments. Chapter 197, Emergency Medical Services, reviewed and amended to bring rules up to date and add registration process for EMS Medical Directors. For copies of these rules, write to the Board at MC 901, P.O. Box 2018, Austin TX 78768-2018, or e-mail Pat Wood at jill.wiggins@tmb.state.tx.us

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