

## 1999 Press Releases

**October 29, 1999**

### **11 Doctors Disciplined**

During its October 14-15 Board meeting, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners disciplined eleven licensed physicians, who received one or more of the following actions: two revocations; six suspensions, of which two were stayed and probated under various terms and conditions; one restriction; two public reprimands; and one administrative penalty totaling \$1,000 was assessed. In addition, three physicians have been placed under temporary suspension orders on an emergency basis. The Texas State Board of Physician Assistant Examiners, at its October 22 Board meeting, disciplined two physician assistants, who received one or more of the following actions: two suspensions, one of which was stayed and probated under certain terms and conditions; an administrative penalty of \$1,000 was assessed.

### **Rule Changes and Review**

The Board approved the following proposed rule changes that were published in the *Texas Register*:

Chapter 161, General Provisions, amendments to §161.1 to outline responsibilities of Board Committees. Chapter 163, Licensure, rule review of Chapter 163, repeal of §§163.1-163.12, and new §§163.1-163.17 to incorporate changes into the rules mandated by Senate Bill 1207. Chapter 173, Applications and Chapter 175, Schedule of Fees and Penalties, rule review, repeal of Chapters 173 and 175 and new Chapter 175, Fees, Penalties and Applications.

Action on the following proposed rule changes that were published in the *Texas Register* was deferred for further comment: Chapter 167, Reinstatement, rule review and proposed new sections 167.4-167.6 regarding criteria to be considered when assessing whether it is in the best interest of the physician or the public to reinstate a physician's license. For copies of these rules, write the Board at MC 901, P.O. Box 2018, Austin, TX 78768-2018 or see the Board's web site at [www.tmb.state.tx.us](http://www.tmb.state.tx.us).

### **Proposed Rule Changes**

The Board proposed the following rule changes for publication in the *Texas Register* and comment: Chapter 163.1, proposed change regarding examinations accepted by the Board. Chapter 164, Advertising, proposed change to clarify definition of false and deceptive advertising. Chapter 165.1, Medical Records, proposed change regarding charges for executing affidavits that certify medical records and bills. Chapter 193.9, proposed change allowing physicians to receive information from LVNs by telephone to make a pronouncement of death. For copies of these proposed rules, write the Board at MC 901, P.O. Box 2018, Austin, TX 78768-2018, or e-mail [pat.wood@tmb.state.tx.us](mailto:pat.wood@tmb.state.tx.us).

### **Disciplinary Actions**

**Anid, Antun G., MD., Baytown, TX, Lic. #E7362**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 publicly reprimanding the physician and assessing an administrative penalty in the amount of \$1,000. Action due to persistent or flagrant overcharging or overtreating nine patients during 1992.

**Gardner, Robert L., M.D., Duncanville, TX, Lic. #D7045**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 publicly reprimanding the physician and restricting the physician's license for three years under various terms and conditions. Action due to nontherapeutic prescribing or treatment, violation of Board Rules, and practice inconsistent with public health and welfare.

**Hemeyer, Mark M., M.D., Little Rock, AR, Lic. #G0725**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 suspending the physician's license; however, the suspension was stayed and he was placed on probation under certain terms and conditions. Action due to intemperate use of alcohol or drugs, unprofessional conduct, writing false or fictitious prescriptions, impairment due to illness or chemical abuse, and disciplinary action in another state.

**Lostetter, Alvin C., M.D., Laredo, TX, Lic. #D6070**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 in which the physician voluntarily surrendered his Texas medical license and retired from the practice of medicine. Action based on physician's inability to comply with a prior Agreed Order due to health conditions.

**Parry, Darrell B., D.O., Prescott, AZ, Lic. #H3278**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 suspending the physician's license. Action due to impairment due to illness and disciplinary action in another state.

**Phillips, Gregory K., M.D., Fort Worth, TX, Lic. #H6511**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 suspending the physician's license; however, the suspension was stayed and he was placed on probation for five years under certain terms and conditions. Action due to intemperate use of alcohol or drugs, unprofessional conduct, prescribing or dispensing to habitual user, writing false or fictitious prescriptions, nontherapeutic prescribing or treatment, and administering dangerous drugs in an improper manner.

**Rhodes, Thomas P., M.D., Corpus Christi, TX, Lic. #G0007**

A Temporary Suspension Order was entered on 9-28-99 temporarily suspending Dr. Rhodes' license due to evidence and information that his continuation in the practice of medicine would constitute a continuing threat to public welfare. The allegations related to the application for temporary suspension are to be the subject of a disciplinary hearing as soon as can be accomplished under the Administrative Procedure Act and the Medical Practice Act.

**Slahetka, Mary Frances Ann, M.D., Covington, LA, Lic. #J1139**

A Proposal for Decision was heard concerning Dr. Slahetka on 10-14-99. The physician's license was revoked. Action due to unprofessional conduct and practice inconsistent with public health and welfare. Action will not be final until all appeals are exhausted.

**Slusher, Kevin D., M.D., Tyler, TX, Lic. #J7200**

A Temporary Suspension Order was entered on 9-28-99 temporarily suspending Dr. Slusher's license due to evidence and information that his continuation in the practice of medicine would constitute a continuing threat to public welfare. The allegations related to the application for temporary suspension are to be the subject of a disciplinary hearing as soon as can be accomplished under the Administrative Procedure Act and the Medical Practice Act.

**Steward, Robert H., M.D., Houston, TX, Lic. #H3946**

A Temporary Suspension Order was entered on 10-21-99 temporarily suspending the physician's license due to evidence and information that the physician's continuation in the practice of medicine would constitute a continuing threat to public welfare. The allegations related to the application for temporary suspension are to be the subject of a disciplinary hearing as soon as can be accomplished under the Administrative Procedure Act and the Medical Practice Act. It is further ordered that the Temporary Suspension Order shall remain in effect until such time as it is superseded by a subsequent order of the Board.

**Uldrich, Dennis A., M.D., San Antonio, TX, Lic. #H7841**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-15-99 suspending the physician's license. Action due to intemperate use of alcohol or drugs, and unprofessional conduct.

**Physician Assistants**

**Daniels, Frank A., P.A., North Richland Hills, TX, Lic. #PA-01648**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-22-99 suspending the physician assistant's license under certain terms and conditions. Action due to fraudulently or deceptively obtaining a license, conviction of a felony, committing an act of moral turpitude, unprofessional conduct, disciplinary action taken in another state, and writing false or fictitious prescriptions for a dangerous drug.

**Gonzalez, Miguel A., P.A., Edcouch, Tx, Lic. #PA-01156**

An Agreed Order was entered on 10-22-99 suspending the physician assistant's license; however, the suspension was stayed and he was placed on probation for two years under certain terms and conditions. An administrative penalty of \$1,000 was also assessed. Action due to fraudulently or deceptively obtaining a license.

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