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TMB suspends Cleveland orthopedic surgeon

On April 22, 2016, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of David Ian Howie, M.D., after determining his continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately.

The Board panel found that Dr. Howie was arrested by the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office on March 19, 2016, after officers responded to a call that Dr. Howie had exhibited a deadly weapon (a gun) during the commission of an assault. Upon arriving at Dr. Howie's residence, the responding officers found the victim (Dr. Howie's girlfriend) who reported that Dr. Howie had held her against her will, physically abused her, and shot at her while she was escaping from his home.

Dr. Howie has a history of violent behavior in the workplace and has a prior Agreed Order from the Board for exhibiting disruptive behavior in a hospital where he had privileges.

A temporary suspension hearing with notice will be held as soon as practicable with 10 days' notice to Dr. Howie, unless the hearing is specifically waived by Dr. Howie.

The temporary suspension remains in place until the Board takes further action.

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