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Texas Board of Respiratory Care suspends Amarillo respiratory care practitioner

On October 29, 2020, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Board of Respiratory Care temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas respiratory care practitioner permit of Michael L. Payne, RCP (Lic. No. RCP00059138), after determining his continuation in the practice of respiratory care poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately.

The Board panel found that Mr. Payne was terminated by his employer following positive breathalyzer results which was conducted after he presented to work appearing to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

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

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

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