

2000 Press Releases

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13 Doctors Disciplined

During its May 18-19 Board meeting, the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners disciplined 13 licensed physicians, who received one or more of the following actions: one surrender; four suspensions, of which one was stayed and probated under various terms and conditions; five restrictions; four public reprimands; in addition, two administrative penalties totaling \$5,000 were assessed. At its April 28 meeting, the Texas State Board of Physician Assistant Examiners took action against three physician assistants.

Rule Changes

The Board approved the following proposed rule changes that were published in the *Texas Register*: Chapter 163, Licensure, amendment to 163.5 regarding licensure documentation. Chapter 193, Standing Delegation Orders, new 193.9 regarding pronouncement of death.

Proposed Rules

The Board proposed the following rule changes for publication in the *Texas Register* and comment: Chapter 164, Advertising, proposed amendment to 164.4 regarding board certification was withdrawn for further study. Chapter 166, Physician Registration, proposed 166.2 sets a \$500 minimum administrative penalty for disciplinary action relating to false reports on statements regarding continuing medical education. Chapter 171, Institutional Permits, proposed amendment to 171.3 to include approved postgraduate training programs in Canada. Chapter 183, Acupuncture, rule review and proposed revisions to the chapter. Proposed amendment to 187.33 regarding oral argument during proposals for decision. Chapter 185, Physician Assistants, rule review and proposed revisions to entire chapter.

Previously published proposed rules regarding collaborative management of glaucoma were withdrawn and newly drafted proposed rules will be published.

For copies of rule changes or proposed rules, write the Board at MC 901, P.O. Box 2018, Austin, TX 78768-2018, or e-mail jill.wiggins@tmb.state.tx.us