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Medical Board Suspends License of Harold Clay Henderson, M.D., of Dallas; Restricts License of Donald Delmer Pope, M.D., of Brownwood

A panel of the Texas Medical Board suspended the license of Harold Clay Henderson, M.D., of Dallas, license number G3937, after determining that Dr. Henderson's continuation in the practice of medicine presents a continuing threat to the public welfare.

The temporary suspension hearing took place Monday, October 27, under the Board's authority, granted by S.B. 104 of the 78th Legislature, to suspend or restrict a physician's license without notice when it determines the physician's continuation in practice would constitute a continuing threat to the public welfare. The suspension is effective immediately.

The action was based on the panel's finding of Dr. Henderson's inability to safely practice medicine due to intemperate use of drugs or alcohol, or mental or physical disability. The panel also found that Dr. Henderson had aided and abetted the unlicensed practice of medicine by employing a physician in his office whose licensed was suspended.

The length of a temporary suspension is indefinite and it remains in effect until the board takes further action.

Also on Monday, a panel of the board temporarily restricted the license of Donald Delmer Pope, M.D., license #F4386, of Brownwood.

The action was based Dr. Pope's guilty plea to a felony charge of aggravated sexual assault of a female under 14, and his receiving eight years of deferred adjudication as a sex offender. The restriction requires that Dr. Pope have no contact with any female patient under 17 and that he have an independent medical evaluation, follow the evaluating psychiatrist's recommendations and submit the treating psychiatrist's reports to the board.

The temporary restriction is effective immediately and remains in effect until the board takes further action.

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