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TMB suspends Houston physician

On February 9, 2018, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of Myrtle Oates, M.D. (Lic. No. J3565), after determining her continuation in the practice of medicine poses a continuing threat to public welfare. The suspension was effective immediately.

The Board panel found that Dr. Oates has been operating an unregistered pain management clinic and a recent review of her electronic prescribing information determined a site visit to obtain patient records was necessary. Records showed patients were paying \$250 to \$400 in cash for visits and that patients were receiving a combination of cocktail drugs including opioids and carisoprodol.

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

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

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