## **Texas Medical Board Press Release**

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## TMB suspends Houston physician

On July 27, 2018, a disciplinary panel of the Texas Medical Board temporarily suspended, without notice, the Texas medical license of Daniel Michael Merck, M.D. (Lic. No. R5777), 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. Merck has been operating an unregistered pain management clinic and prescribing controlled substances without a valid medical purpose.

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

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