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TMB disciplines 27 physicians at June meeting, adopts rule changes

At its June 10, 2022 meeting, the Texas Medical Board disciplined 27 licensed physicians.

The disciplinary actions included: four orders related to quality of care violations, three orders related to unprofessional conduct, one revocation, six voluntary surrenders/revocations, one order related to the nontherapeutic prescribing, one order related to improper prescribing, one order related to improper supervision/delegation, six orders related to other states' actions, two orders related to impairment and two orders related to inadequate medical records. The Board also ratified seven cease and desist orders.

The Board issued 310 physician licenses at the June meeting, bringing the total number of physician licenses issued in Fiscal Year 2022 to 5,081.

RULES CHANGES ADOPTED

CHAPTER 173. PHYSICIAN PROFILES

The amendments to §173.3, relating to Physician-Initiated Updates specify events that must be reported by a licensed physician to the Board within 30 days after the event. Specifically, the proposed amendments add events required to be contained in the physician's profile in accordance with §154.006 of the Act.

DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

QUALITY OF CARE

Lawrence, Andrew, M.D., Lic. No. L9309, Harlingen

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Andrew Lawrence, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete at least eight hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in complications of cardiac catheterization and four hours in management of high risk patients. The Board found Dr. Lawrence should have performed further evaluation of a cardiac catheterization patient before discharge based upon the delayed nature of the bleeding, the nature of the procedure, and the patient's comorbidities.

Peel, Garrett Keith, M.D., Lic. No. N3987, Leander

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Garrett Keith Peel, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order on Formal Filing requiring him to within 30 days schedule an assessment, including competency to perform surgical procedures with the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; have his practice monitored by another physician for 12 consecutive monitoring cycles; and prior to performing any procedures, obtain a pre-approved board certified general surgeon to serve as his proctor and shall be proctored for the next 60 non-emergent procedures. The Board found Dr. Peel violated the standard of care in his treatment of five patients who underwent general surgical procedures that resulted in significant post-operative complications and was subject to peer review related to quality of care issues with multiple patients. The order resolves the formal complaint filed and the State Office of Administrative hearings, resolves all complaints up to the date of entry of the order, and supersedes the December 2019 Order.

Peterson, Daniel L., M.D., Lic. No. J6207, Austin

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Daniel L. Peterson, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year complete at least eight hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in management of surgery for patients on anti-coagulation medication and four hours in risk management. The Board found Dr. Peterson did not re-evaluate a patient's platelet function prior to performing a second procedure after the patient had suffered postoperative bleeding after the initial procedure.

Shrago, Evan Louis, M.D., Lic. No. K6928, Dallas

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Evan Louis Shrago, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to within one year to complete at least 32 hours of CME, divided as follows: 12 hours in medical recordkeeping, 12 hours of anesthesia complications and recognizing risk factors and eight hours in post-anesthesia management of complications. The Board found Dr. Shrago failed to meet the standard of care with a patient by failing to timely diagnose complications resulting from aspiration during a surgical procedure.

UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

Holland, Joshua, D.O., Lic. No. P5992, Fort Worth

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Joshua Holland, D.O., entered into a Mediated Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Holland and requiring him to within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within one year complete at least four hours of CME in ethics; within one year complete in-person the medical recordkeeping course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE); and within 90 days pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000. The Board found Dr. Holland balance billed a patient for an evaluation of musculoskeletal pain during an emergency room visit which was covered by state-sponsored insurance. The order resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

Pastorek, Jordan Michael, M.D., Lic. No. M1286, Frisco

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Jordan Michael Pastorek, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Pastorek and requiring him to within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within one year complete the professional boundaries course offered by the University of California San Diego Physician Assessment and Clinical Education (PACE) program; within one year complete at least 16 hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in medical recordkeeping, four hours in prescribing controlled substances, four hours in recognizing drug seeking behavior and four hours in risk management. The Board found Dr. Pastorek engaged in unprofessional conduct when he prescribed to a person with substance use issues and with whom he had a close personal relationship, and failed to meet the standard of care with his prescribing and management of the patient's care.

Rahman, Shahidur, M.D., Lic. No. AM00055, McKinney

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Shahidur Rahman, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Rahman and prohibiting him from engaging in the practice of clinical medicine. Dr. Rahman shall limit his practice to administrative medicine and is not allowed modification of this term. Dr. Rahman's license is suspended; however, the suspension is stayed and he is placed on probation under the following terms and conditions of his deferred adjudication community supervision from the date of the signing of this order. Furthermore, Dr. Rahman must pay an administrative penalty of \$5,000 within 60 days, and shall not be permitted to supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to any other person. The Board found Dr. Rahman pleaded guilty to the offense of injury child/elderly/disabled with intent to cause bodily injury, a 3rd degree felony, and received deferred adjudication/community supervision for a period of five years, and failed to report his arrest to the Board.

REVOCAATION

Chavason, Arthur Arrit, M.D., Lic. No. M7104, Dallas

On June 10, 2022, the Board entered a Final Order regarding Arthur Arrit Chavason, M.D., revoking his Texas medical license. The Board found Dr. Chavason committed unprofessional and dishonorable conduct by engaging in a pattern of sexually inappropriate and abusive behavior with multiple patients and other medical personnel. The order resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings. Dr. Chavason has 25 days from the service of the order to file a motion for rehearing.

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER/REVOCAION

Graham, Jed Alan, M.D., Lic. No. R4844, Pasadena

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Jed Alan Graham, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Graham agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Graham was under investigation for allegations of failing to meet requirements related to the treatment of chronic pain. Dr. Graham has indicated that he no longer treats patients and intends to retire from practice.

Luevano, Alfonso, M.D., Lic. No. L7622, Carrizo Springs

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Alfonso Luevano, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Luevano agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. Luevano was arrested and pled guilty to one count of Conspiracy to Distribute a Controlled Substance.

McGraw, Donald, D.O., Lic. No. K7581, League City

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Donald McGraw, D.O., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. McGraw agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. McGraw was engaged in a telefraud scheme. Dr. McGraw indicated his desire to voluntarily surrender his license due to his deteriorating health, which currently has rendered him physically unable to practice medicine.

Ngo, Huan Doan, D.O., Lic. No. K6184, Houston

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Huan Doan Ngo, D.O., entered into an Agreed Voluntary Surrender Order in which Dr. Ngo agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The Board found Dr. Ngo indicated his desire to voluntarily surrender his license after pleading guilty to the felony offense of making false statements related to health care matters.

Parameswara, Vinay Kumar, M.D., Lic. No. Q1469, Austin

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Vinay Kumar Parameswara, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Parameswara agreed to voluntarily surrender his Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. The Board found Dr. Parameswara indicated his desire to surrender his license due to pending criminal charges related to health care fraud.

Perez, Ana Yolanda, M.D., Lic. No. F7044, San Antonio

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Ana Yolanda Perez, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender in which Dr. Perez agreed to voluntarily surrender her Texas medical license in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings. Dr. Perez was under investigation for failing to practice medicine in a professional manner, failing to exercise due diligence in her practice and violating Board rules.

NONTHERAPEUTIC PRESCRIBING

Krynski, Gregory Andrzej, M.D., Lic. No. J2454, Sugar Land

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Gregory Andrzej Krynski, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order lifting his suspension and placing him under the following terms: shall not possess, administer, or prescribe controlled substances in Texas; within seven days surrender his DEA controlled substances registration certificates and not reregister without prior Board approval; within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$5,000; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; within one year complete at least 8 hours of CME, divided as follows: four hours in medical recordkeeping and four hours in drug-seeking behaviors; and shall not supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to a physician assistant or advanced practice nurse or supervise a surgical assistant. The Board found Dr. Krynski violated the standard of care and nontherapeutically prescribed controlled substances to 15 patients, failed to maintain adequate medical records and failed to adhere to the requirements for the treatment of pain.

IMPROPER PRESCRIBING

Feste, Joseph Rowland, M.D., Lic. No. C8968, Lakeway

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Joseph Rowland Feste, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Feste and requiring him to within one year complete at least 28 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in recordkeeping, 12 hours in supervision or delegation, four hours in ethics and four hours in risk management; shall not treat or otherwise serve as a physician for his immediate family, friends or others with whom he has a close personal relationship with; within one year and three attempts pass the Medical Jurisprudence Exam; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000. The Board found Dr. Feste prescribed numerous prescriptions, including controlled substances, to family and close associates without appropriate evaluation, indications, or monitoring, failed to maintain adequate medical records and failed to adequately supervise his staff.

IMPROPER SUPERVISION OR DELEGATION

Ver Halen, Jon Peter, M.D., Lic. No. N1940, Southlake

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Jon Peter Ver Halen, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order on Formal Filing suspending his license; however, the suspension is stayed and he is placed on probation under the following terms: shall not engage in the practice of plastic surgery or cosmetic surgery, including the performance of plastic or cosmetic procedures, at any time in any practice setting; have a chaperone present anytime he performs a physical examination on a female patient; shall not reregister to obtain controlled substances registration certificates without prior approval; limit his practice to a group or institutional setting approved in advance; may not register with the Board to provide office-based anesthesia services; shall not treat or otherwise serve as a physician for his immediate family or those with whom he has a close personal relationship; shall not prescribe dispense, administer, or authorize controlled substances or dangerous drugs with addictive potential to his immediate family or those with whom he has a close personal relationship; within one year complete at least 20 hours of CME, divided as follows: 12 hours in supervision and eight hours in medical recordkeeping; shall not be permitted to supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to a physician assistant or advanced practice nurse or supervise a surgical assistant; and within 60 days pay an administrative penalty of \$2,000. The Board found Dr. Ver Halen inappropriately delegated a cosmetic surgical procedure to a physician assistant who was not qualified or properly trained and failed to create and maintain adequate medical records relating to his care and treatment of two patients. The order supersedes any previous orders and resolves a formal complaint filed at the State Office of Administrative Hearings.

OTHER STATES' ACTIONS

Griffith, David, M.D., Lic. No. G8152, Cincinnati, OH

On June 10, 2022, the Board and David Griffith, M.D., entered into a Waiver Order requiring him to comply with all terms of the agreement entered around November 15, 2021 with the New Mexico Health Professional Wellness Program. The Board found Dr. Griffith entered into an Agreed Order for Stipulation on License in another state in lieu of disciplinary action or further investigative proceedings based on a recommendation to enter the New Mexico Health Professional Wellness Program.

Hoekenga, David, M.D., Lic. No. H4959, Albuquerque, NM

On June 10, 2022, the Board and David Hoekenga, M.D., entered into a Waiver Order prohibiting Dr. Hoekenga from practicing in Texas or using his Texas license to practice in any other jurisdiction until he requests in writing for permission to resume such practice and appears before the Board to provide evidence that he is physically, mentally, and otherwise competent to safely practice. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. Hoekenga entered into an Agreed Order of Voluntary Surrender of License While Under Investigation with the New Mexico Medical Board based on an investigation involving his termination from practice due to his consumption of alcohol during a telemedicine visit, making inappropriate comments to new members of a telemedicine group session, failure to maintain complete and accurate medical records for his patients, and failure to notify the New Mexico Medical Board of his termination of practice.

Kalamangalam, Giridhar, M.D., Lic. No. N8799, Gainesville, FL

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Giridhar Kalamangalam, M.D., entered into a Waiver Order requiring him to comply with all terms of the Notice of Intent to Approve Licensure with Conditions entered on or around September 2, 2021. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. Kalamangalam received a conditional license based on his failure to complete the Florida Board of Medicine's training requirements but managed to meet criteria for competency by other means.

Kavanagh, Patrick, M.D., Lic. No. R9508, Miami Beach, FL

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Patrick Kavanagh, M.D., entered into a Waiver Order requiring him to within one year complete at least three hours of CME in ethics/risk management; and within 90 days pay an administrative penalty of \$2,500. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. Kavanagh entered into a Final Order with the Florida Board of Medicine, in lieu of disciplinary action or further investigative proceedings, based on violations of the Florida Health Professions and Occupations Code and Medical Practice Acts.

Mena, Juan, M.D., Lic. No. N0969, Austin

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Juan Mena, M.D., entered into a Waiver Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Mena and requiring him to comply with all terms of the Agreed Order Imposing Reprimand, Stipulation on License and Payment of Fee with the New Mexico Medical Board entered on or around June 6, 2022. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. Mena entered an Agreed Order from the State of New Mexico based on his failure to notify the New Mexico Medical Board and failing to undergo an assessment with the New Mexico Health Professional Wellness Program.

Rey, Jonathan, M.D., Lic. No. S4555, Hopkinsville, KY

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Jonathan Rey, M.D., entered into a Waiver Order publicly reprimanding Dr. Rey and requiring him to within 90 days pay an administrative penalty of \$500. The Board found that it was alleged Dr. Rey entered into a Consent Order with the Maryland Board of Physicians based on failure to timely complete a supplemental application in Maryland while acting as a physician in the Interstate Medical Licensing Compact (IMLC).

IMPAIRMENT

Grieme, James Arthur, M.D., Lic. No. Q6020, Corpus Christi

On June 10, 2022, the Board and James Arthur Grieme, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order lifting Dr. Grieme's temporary suspension and publicly referring Dr. Grieme to the Texas Physician Health Program (TXPHP). The Board found Dr. Grieme was suspended for positive drug screening by his employer. Dr. Grieme is currently in compliance with a five-year monitoring agreement with TXPHP.

Howell, Kristina Michele, M.D., Lic. No. J0005, Denton

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Kristina Michele Howell, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order lifting her suspension and placing her under the following terms: publicly referred to the Texas Physician Health Program; within 30 days obtain a physician work-site monitor; shall not treat or otherwise serve as a physician for her immediate family and shall not prescribe, dispense, administer or authorize controlled substances or dangerous drugs with addictive potential to her immediate family; limit her practice to a group or institutional setting approved in advance; and within one year complete at least 20 hours of CME in anesthesia related topics. The Board found Dr. Howell was previously suspended due to a physical/mental illness which could affect her ability to safely practice. Dr. Howell is currently being treated for her illness.

INADEQUATE MEDICAL RECORDS

Baxter, Donald, M.D., Lic. No. D6574, Houston

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Donald Baxter, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to complete at least 12 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in medical recordkeeping and four hours in risk management. The Board found Dr. Baxter failed to maintain adequate medical records documenting the care and treatment provided to patients.

Hernandez, Arthur, M.D., Lic. No. G1674, San Antonio

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Arthur Hernandez, M.D., entered into an Agreed Order requiring him to have his practice monitored by another physician for 12 consecutive monitoring cycles; and within one year complete at least 16 hours of CME, divided as follows: eight hours in medical recordkeeping and eight hours in prescribing controlled substances. The Board found Dr. Hernandez articulated his process for addressing a patient's noncompliance or signs of possible diversion or abuse; however, he did not document his review and response of the patient's three toxicology results.

CEASE & DESISTS

Austin, Tammye D., No License, Laredo

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Tammye D. Austin entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting her from acting as, or holding herself out to be, a licensed physician in the state of Texas. The Board found Ms. Austin acting in her role as manager of Laredo Medical, performed medical tasks and responsibilities without proper delegation and supervision, including but not limited to, prescribing or dispensing medications.

Boeke, Bradley, DDS, Rowlett

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Bradley Boeke, DDS, entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting him from practicing medicine without a license issued by the Texas Medical Board. The Board found Dr. Bradley, DDS, a dentist in the state of Texas, identified himself as a physician; agreeing to be medical director of a med spa without proper supervision protocols and advertising in a manner which could be misleading.

Garcia, Clarissa "Claire," No License, Dilley

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Clarissa "Claire" Garcia entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting her from acting as, or holding herself out to be, a licensed physician in the state of Texas. The Board found Ms. Garcia received a formal written warning from her clinic supervisor stating that Ms. Garcia called in a medication refill for a patient without authorization.

Hawkins, John Bradely, No License, Shavano Park

On June 10, 2022, the Board and John Bradley Hawkins entered into an Agreed Order prohibiting him from acting as, or holding himself out to be, a licensed physician in the state of Texas. The Board found Mr. Hawkins and other staff performed cosmetic injections without a consult or prior assessment from the medical director or designated prescribing provider.

Johnson, Jeana, No License, Rockwall

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Jeana Johnson entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting her from practicing medicine without a license. The Board found Ms. Johnson, who owns and operates a med spa where she performs cosmetic injections, entered into an agreement with Bradley Boeke, DDS, a dentist who is not licensed to practice medicine. Ms. Johnson has since remediated the conduct and now has a medical director who is a physician.

Lambropoulos, Kenya, No License, Fort Worth

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Kenya Lampropoulos entered into an Agreed Cease and Desist Order prohibiting her from acting as, or holding herself out to be, a licensed physician in the state of Texas. The Board found Ms. Lampropoulos performed nonsurgical cosmetic procedures without a physician, or midlevel practitioner with delegated authority from a physician, first evaluating and diagnosing the patient and who is available during the procedure for emergency consultation in the event of an adverse outcome.

Ortiz, Arturo, No License, Laredo

On June 10, 2022, the Board and Arturo Ortiz entered into an Agreed Order prohibiting him from acting as, or holding herself out to be, a licensed physician in the state of Texas. The Board found Mr. Ortiz acting in his role as manager of Laredo Medical, performed medical tasks and responsibilities without proper delegation and supervision, including but not limited to, prescribing or dispensing medications.

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To view disciplinary orders and Board action history, visit the TMB website, click on "Look Up A License," accept the usage terms, then type in a licensee's name. Click on the name shown in the search results to view the licensee's full profile. Within that profile is a button that says "Current Board Action."

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