

Public Action Reports of the Medical Licensure Commission and Board of Medical Examiners

Medical Licensure Commission November 2005

- ◆ On Nov. 17, 2005, the Commission entered an Order summarily suspending the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Zev-David Nash, M.D.**, license number MD.00022079, Montgomery, AL, until such time as the Administrative Complaint shall be heard by the Commission and a decision rendered thereon.
- ◆ On Nov. 17, 2005, the Commission entered an Order summarily suspending the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Lloyd A. Manchikes, M.D.**, license number MD.00013075, Mayuslick, KY, until such time as the Administrative Complaint shall be heard by the Commission and a decision rendered thereon.
- ◆ On Nov. 29, 2005, the Commission entered an Order denying the application for reinstatement of license of **Robert H. Carlson, M.D.**, license number MD.00008549, Birmingham, AL.
- ◆ On Nov. 29, 2005, the Commission entered an order revoking the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Robert P. Heuermann, M.D.**, license num-

ber MD.00026018, Hartselle, AL, in accordance with the request of the Department of Human Resources and the requirements of Ala. Code §§30-3-170 through 30-3-179.

Board of Medical Examiners November 2005

- ◆ On Nov. 16, 2005, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Ronald C. McGaugh, Jr., M.D.**, license number MD.00026262, Muscle Shoals, AL.
- ◆ On Nov. 16, 2005, the Board voted to deny the application for a certificate of qualification to practice medicine in Alabama of **Naiyer Imam, M.D.**, Roanoke, VA.
- ◆ On Nov. 16, 2005, the Board voted to deny the application for a certificate of qualification to practice medicine in Alabama of **Frank J. Locketto, M.D.**, Plymouth Meeting, PA.
- ◆ On Nov. 16, 2005, the Board accepted the Voluntary Restrictions entered by **Joel P. Laughlin,**

M.D., license number MD.00027030, Foley, AL.

- ◆ On Nov. 16, 2005, the Board accepted the Voluntary Restrictions entered by **Timothy A. Gooden, M.D.**, license number MD.00027029, Warrior, AL.

Medical Licensure Commission December 2005

- ◆ On Dec. 27, 2005, the Commission entered an Order reprimanding the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **William T. Hall, Jr., M.D.**, license number MD.00008930, Birmingham, AL, assessing an administrative fine, extending the limitation on his Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate previously imposed by the Board of Medical Examiners, and requiring notification of successful completion of certain continuing medical education courses.
- ◆ On Dec. 27, 2005, the Commission entered an Order that the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Richard O. Gritzmacher, M.D.**, license number MD.00025674, Castle Rock, CO, shall not be renewed for the

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Do You Perform Surgery, Treatments or Examinations under Sedation in Your Office?

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year 2006, and he shall not file an application for reinstatement of the license prior to May 19, 2010.

Board of Medical Examiners December 2005

- ◆ On Dec. 14, 2005, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Zev-David Nash, M.D.**, license number MD.00022079, Montgomery, AL.
- ◆ On Dec. 14, 2005, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Charles L. Hillis, M.D.**, license number MD.00012585, Henagar, AL.
- ◆ On Dec. 14, 2005, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Dennis L. Olive, M.D.**, license number MD.00012526, Huntsville, AL.

Medical Licensure Commission January 2006

- ◆ On Jan. 25, 2006, the Commission entered an Order reinstating the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Robert P. Heuermann, M.D.**, license number MD.00026018, Hartselle, AL, in accordance with the request of the Department of Human Resources and the requirements of Ala. Code §§30-3-170 through 30-3-179.
- ◆ On Jan. 30, 2006, the Commission issued a conditional

license to **Cecil C. Waddell, M.D.**, license number MD.00005142, Alexander City, AL, subject to the conditions in the Nov. 21, 2005, Order of the Board of Medical Examiners which issued a certificate of qualification subject to the terms that he not engage in any clinical practice and not prescribe any medications.

Board of Medical Examiners January 2006

- ◆ On Jan. 17, 2006, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Glen D. Sockwell, M.D.**, license number MD.00003030, Florence, AL.
- ◆ On Jan. 18, 2006, the Board accepted the voluntary surrender of the certificate of qualification and license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Lloyd Andrew Manchikes, M.D.**, license number MD.00013075, Mayslick, KY.
- ◆ On Jan. 18, 2006, the Board entered a Consent Order which restricted the certificate of qualification without examination pursuant to Ala. Code §34-24-75(b) of **Robert B. Hunter, Jr., M.D.**, license number L.2475, Montgomery, AL.

Opinions of the Alabama Board of Medical Examiners can be found at the Board website, www.albme.org. Follow the Newsletter Links section.

Reminder: Medical Records

The Alabama Board of Medical Examiners' Rules and Regulations (540-X-9-.10) state:

(1) Physicians should maintain legible well documented records reflecting the history, findings, diagnosis and course of treatment in the care of a patient. Medical records should be maintained by the treating physician for such period as may be necessary to treat the patient and for such additional time as may be required for medical-legal purposes.

(2) Access. On the request of a patient, and with the authorization of the patient, a physician should provide a copy or a summary of the medical record to the patient or to another physician, attorney or other person designated by the patient.

By state law, a physician is allowed to condition the release of copies of medical records on the payment by the requesting party of the reasonable costs of reproducing the record.

Reasonable cost as defined by law may not exceed \$1 per page for the first 25 pages, 50 cents per page for each page in excess of 25 pages, a search fee of \$5 plus the actual cost of mailing the record. In addition, the actual cost of reproducing x-rays or other special records may be included.

Records subpoenaed by the State Board of Medical Examiners are exempt from this law.

Physicians charging for the cost of reproduction of medical records should give primary consideration to the ethical and professional duties owed to other physicians and to their patients, and waive copying charges when appropriate.