Alabama BME Newsletter and Report

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

Medical Licensure Commission February 2006

- ◆ On Feb. 4, the Commission entered an Order reinstating to full, unrestricted status the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Willard W. Mosier, MD, license number MD.00007384, Birmingham, AL.
- ◆ On Feb. 4, the Commission entered an Order reprimanding the license to practice medicine or osteopathy in Alabama of **John A. King, DO**, license number DO.127, Orlando, FL, assessing an administrative fine, and requiring the completion of a course in medical ethics.
- ◆ On Feb. 4, the Commission entered an Order revoking the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Scott R. Fisher, MD, license number MD.00016319, Alpharetta, GA.
- ◆ On Feb. 8, the Commission revoked the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Phillip B. Robertson, MD**, license number MD.00013307, Fort Payne, AL, by Order dated Feb. 4, 2006.
- ◆ On Feb. 22, the Commission entered an Order summarily suspending the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Karen M.** Fancher, MD, license number

- MD.00021594, Albertville, AL, until such time as the Administrative Complaint filed by the Board of Medical Examiners shall be heard by the Commission and a decision rendered thereon.
- ◆ On Feb. 22, the Commission entered an Order summarily suspending the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Sumathi Paturu, MD, license number MD.00018590, Birmingham, AL, until such time as the Administrative Complaint filed by the Board of Medical Examiners shall be heard by the Commission and a decision rendered thereon.

Board of Medical Examiners March 2006

◆ On March 15, the Board entered a Stipulation and Consent Order concerning the Alabama Controlled Substances Certificate (ACSC) of **Joe G. Cromeans, MD**, certificate number ACSC.00000434, Scottsboro, AL, wherein the ACSC is voluntarily surrendered and an administrative fine is assessed.

Medical Licensure Commission March 2006

◆ On March 1, the Commission entered an Order reprimanding the license to practice medicine in

- Alabama of **Michael Hammer, MD**, license number MD.00018741, Birmingham, AL, assessing an administrative fine, and providing that he shall not enter a collaborative practice agreement for a period of two years.
- ◆ On March 1, the Commission entered an Order affirming the denial by the Board of Medical Examiners of the application for a certificate of qualification to practice medicine in Alabama of Naiyer Imam, MD, Roanoke, VA.
- ◆ On March 1, the Commission entered an Order deferring action on the application for reinstatement of license of **Pascual Herrera**, **Jr.**, **MD**, pending certain additional actions and information.
- ◆ On March 29, the Commission entered an Order denying the request to terminate the probationary status of the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Onelio E. Perdomo, MD, license number MD.00010606, Atlanta, GA.
- ◆ On March 29, the Commission entered an Order reinstating subject to conditions the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Oscar V. Fadul, MD, license number MD.00009585, Huntsville, AL.

Notice regarding CME:

Physicians and PAs are required to maintain documentation of CME attendance and hours earned for a minimum of three years. More information can be obtained from the Newww.albme.org/cme.html the Board's website, www.albme.org.

Board of Medical Examiners April 2006

◆ On April 12, the Board entered an Order removing the restrictions placed on the certificate of qualification to practice medicine without examination pursuant to Ala. Code §34-24-75(b) of **Robert B. Hunter, Jr., MD**, license number L.2475, Montgomery, AL.

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Closing or retiring from a practice

Physicians who are closing their practices or who are contemplating retiring from their practices should read the Board's guidelines accessible through the Newsletter Links section at www.albme.org. Rule 540-X-9-.10(3) is similar to the AMA's Council on Ethics and Judicial Affairs' Opinion E-7.03, and states, "When a physician retires, terminates employment or otherwise leaves a medical practice, he or she is responsible for ensuring that active patients receive reasonable notification and are given the opportunity to arrange for the transfer of their medical records. A physician or physician group should not withhold information from a departing physician which is necessary for notification of patients. A physician or the estate of a deceased physician transferring records in connection with the sale of a medical practice should notify the physician's active patients that the records are being transferred and should provide the patient with information sufficient to secure the transfer of the medical record."

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On April 26, the Board entered an Order making the certificate of qualification to practice medicine in Alabama of John J. Villaverde, MD, license number MD.00011177, Vestavia Hills, AL, subject to an amended Voluntary Restriction entered into on April 18, 2006.

Medical Licensure Commission May 2006

- ◆ On May 2, the Commission entered an Order revoking the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Jose Enrique Perezcassar, MD**, license number MD.00023090, Lake Mary, FL.
- ◆ On May 2, the Commission entered an Order terminating all restrictions on the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Daniel K. McDonald, MD**, license number MD.00021930, Birmingham, AL.
- On May 2, the Commission entered an Order denying the reinstatement application of Jerry Wayne Sheffield, MD, license number MD.00006587, Birmingham, AL.
- ◆ On May 2, the Commission entered an Order reinstating the license to

- practice medicine in Alabama of **James B. Burke, MD**, license number MD.11238, Nashville, TN.
- ◆ On May 2, the Commission entered an Order suspending the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Alan V. Stansfield, MD**, license number MD.00007469, Gadsden, AL.
- ◆ Based upon the stipulation of the parties, on May 15 the Commission entered a Consent Order reprimanding the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Jonathan Allen Jarman, MD, license number MD.00021786, Atlanta, GA, and assessing an administrative fine.
- ◆ On May 24, the Commission entered an Order making the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **John J. Villaverde**, **MD**, license number MD.00011177, Vestavia Hills, AL, subject to an amended Voluntary Restriction entered into on April 18, 2006.
- Upon the Stipulation of the parties, the Commission entered a Consent Order on May 24 placing on probation the license to practice medicine in Alabama of James A. McCain, MD, license number MD.00011595, Gadsden, AL, restricting the Alabama Controlled Substances

Upcoming Educational Events

Ensuring Quality in the Collaborative Practice: Responsibilities and Resources for Physicians and Nurse Practitioners

June 29 – Huntsville
August 5 – Birmingham
October 26 – Live Satellite and Webcast
To register, contact MASA's Education
Department at (334) 954-2500 or
(800) 239-6272.

The Medical Foundation of Alabama is accredited by the Medical Association of the State of Alabama to sponsor continuing education for physicians. The Medical Foundation of Alabama designates this educational activity for a maximum of 3 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

2nd Annual Finding Balance Symposium: Life Issues for the Practicing Physician

October 20-22, Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort

To register, contact the Caduceus Foundation at (334) 954-2500 or (800) 239-6272.

Certificate to Schedules IV and V, assessing an administrative fine, and certain other conditions.

◆ Upon the Stipulation of the parties, the Commission entered a Consent Order on May 24 reprimanding the license to practice medicine in Alabama of Victor E. Mendoza, MD, license number MD.00025607, Ft. Payne, AL, assessing an administrative fine, and requiring certain continuing medical education.

Medical Licensure Commission June 2006

◆ On June 1, the Commission entered an Order revoking the license to practice medicine in Alabama of **Sumathi Paturu, MD**, license number MD.00018590, Birmingham, AL.

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