

Name/license #/location	Date of action	Cause of action	Board action
<b>ANNULMENTS</b>			
NONE			
<b>SUMMARY SUSPENSIONS</b>			
NONE			
<b>REVOCATIONS</b>			
DIXON, Donovan Dave, MD (201001347) Pembroke, NC	02/20/2019	Board action based on felony conviction of MD in United States of America v. Donovan Dave Dixon, 7: 16-C:1:l-30-1-D. Board served MD with Notice of Revocation in December 2018 and did not receive a request for hearing.	Revocation of NC medical license
MCKENZIE, Sr., Wayland Wilson, MD (000019760) Greensboro, NC	02/22/2019	MD engaged in inappropriate prescribing of narcotics, benzodiazepines, and other controlled substances without substantiating a diagnosis justifying the issuance of a controlled substance. MD inadequately documented his care, and charting did not indicate appropriate referrals or focused follow up. His charts reflected a high number of cloned notes. The medical records also indicate that MD did not recognize, diagnose, and appropriately treat other serious medical conditions.	Revocation of NC medical license
NELSON, Paula Maria, MD (200801289) Lilburn, GA	02/26/2019	Action based on actions taken by the Maryland State Board of Physicians, which revoked MD's medical license in February 2018,	Revocation of NC medical license

		<p>and the Virginia Board of Medicine, which suspended MD's medical license in March 2018, based on Maryland's action.</p> <p>The Maryland Board based its revocation on MD's failure to participate at an Office of Administrative Proceedings prehearing conference in July 2017 related to findings that MD inappropriately referred patient laboratory specimens to a laboratory that she had an ownership interest in and evidence of MD's gross overutilization of health care services.</p> <p>The NC Board reviewed the Maryland decision and voted to issue disciplinary charges against MD in January 2019 and set a February 2019 hearing date which MD did not attend.</p>	
WELLS, Wendell D'Alton, MD (000026479) Rockingham, NC	02/02/2019	MD was convicted of a felony in State of North Carolina v. Wendell D'Alton Wells, 16 CRS 051269, for practitioner intentionally dispensing a controlled substance. Board served MD with Notice of Revocation in November 2018 received no request for a hearing.	Revocation of NC medical license
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>			
DAVIS, Whitney Diane, PA-C	03/21/2019	Action taken by the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners (Tennessee Board); The	Suspension of NC medical license for three years.

		<p>Board is concerned that in May 2018, PA entered into a Consent Order with the Tennessee Board in which her physician assistant license was suspended for not less than three years and until she has completed several requirements. The Tennessee order required PA to surrender her Drug Enforcement Administration registrations, complete three-day medical courses on medical documentation and on prescribing controlled substances and pay a \$14,000.00 civil penalty and \$5,000.00 in costs. The actions taken by the Tennessee Board were based on findings of inappropriate prescribing of controlled substances.</p>	
DHOOPATI, Vijay Ramaraju, MD (009801236) Butner, NC	02/22/2019	<p>In January 2018, the Board received a complaint from a registered nurse working at MD's office to obtain clinical hours for her nurse practitioner studies, that MD touched her inappropriately on more than one occasion. This behavior constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a) (6).</p>	Indefinite suspension of NC medical license
HAMEL, John David, MD (009300141) Nebo, NC	03/08/2019	<p>In October 2016, the Board entered an Order</p>	Summary Suspension from 2016 dissolved and replaced with an

		<p>for Summary Suspension against MD based on MD's violations of his 2014 Consent Order which restricted and prohibited him from performing any elective surgical procedures that require more than topical anesthesia. MD's NC medical license has been inactive since that time. MD signed a five-year monitoring contract with NCPHP, which is of the opinion that MD is safe to return to practice.</p>	<p>indefinite suspension, immediately stayed upon compliance with terms and conditions.</p> <p>MD shall limit his scope of practice to emergency medicine or urgent care and he shall not perform any surgical procedures outside that scope. He is prohibited from performing and supervising any cosmetic procedures or being in the same room while other persons are performing cosmetic procedures. Prior to beginning to practice medicine at any location, MD must obtain practice site approval from the Board's Office of the Medical Director. MD shall be assessed and complete all recommended remediation within a year of this order. Finally, MD shall maintain his current contract with NCPHP and abide by its terms.</p>
<p>RAINES, (III), Lawrence Merial, MD (009401309) Cary, NC</p>	<p>02/18/2019</p>	<p>Suspension results from the repeated failure on MD's part to respond to Board inquiries in a reasonable time and manner as required by G.S. 90-14 (a) (14).</p>	<p>Suspension of NC medical license for one year, immediately stayed with condition; MD ordered to pay \$1,000 administrative fine.</p>
<p>TORRES, Rafael Guillermo, MD (009901342) Raleigh, NC</p>	<p>02/22/2019</p>	<p>The Board received complaints from three female patients alleging that MD performed inappropriate</p>	<p>Indefinite suspension of NC medical license, immediately stayed upon conditions; MD shall not treat female</p>

		examinations. The Board is concerned that MD was unable to discern that his actions made patients feel uncomfortable.	patients.
<b>PROBATION/CONDITIONS</b>			
MADANICK, Ryan David, MD (200601696) Chapel Hill, NC	03/26/2019	MD acknowledges that he has a mental condition and, if left untreated, he may be impaired in his ability to practice clinical medicine with reasonable skill and safety within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(5).	Probation/Conditions; MD's license is limited to the practice of administrative medicine.
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>			
BUTTAR, Rashid Ali, DO (009500528) Mooresville, NC	02/13/2019	The Board received a complaint from a physician in January 2016 regarding a patient under DO's care. The physician expressed concern that the treatment being provided by DO was adding to the patient's pain and suffering and was preventing the patient from receiving appropriate care and the possibility of successful treatment. The Board sent the medical records of the patient to an independent expert reviewer who expressed concerns about the adequacy of the medical record, which were hand-written. The Board received a different complaint against the DO in November 2017 that	Reprimand; DO to complete a ProBE ethics course and record keeping CME

		alleged that DO engaged in a personal relationship with a the parent of a patient (then a minor), which is a third-party boundary violation.	
MIGDON, Steven, PA-C (000103224) Durham, NC	03/26/2019	The Board received a report that PA's hospital privileges were suspended due to PA allegedly watching pornography on his phone while on duty in the emergency department and allegations that PA conducted unnecessary or inappropriate physical examinations of female patients. The Board also received a complaint from a patient examined by PA, alleging that PA made inappropriate comments to the patient during an unchaperoned office visit. PA was sent to NCPHP for evaluation; At NCPHP's recommendation, PA received a comprehensive assessment at an approved facility.	Reprimand; PA shall have a chaperone present for all interactions, including office visits and examinations, with female patients.
<b>DENIALS OF LICENSE/APPROVAL</b>			
WAHBA, Wasseem John, PA-C (000102441) Cary, NC	02/08/2019	The Board denied PA's application for reinstatement of his license based on PA's prior disciplinary history with the Board including an April 2016 consent	Denial of request to reinstate PA license

		order in which PA's license was indefinitely suspended. Additionally, during the reinstatement application process, the Board received information concerning additional unprofessional conduct that occurred prior to April 2016, which to date, the PA has refused to cooperate with the Board's investigation of. PA was assessed by the Professional Renewal Center, which opined that PA was not safe to practice.	
<b>SURRENDERS</b>			
NONE			
<b>PUBLIC LETTERS OF CONCERN</b>			
ALTIZER, James Witten, MD (009900407)	03/22/2019	The Board is concerned that MD joined a practice that for all intents and purposes is owned by a chiropractor. MD was the "registered owner" of the practice for purposes of Board records, but the Board investigation showed that MD was in fact, a straw owner. The Board is also concerned that MD treated two immediate family members for knee pain with Platelet Rich Plasma injections and Therastim. It is inappropriate for physicians to treat their immediate family members.	Public Letter of Concern
BLUE, Brian Alan, MD (009901507) Lancaster, SC	03/27/2019	The Board is concerned that MD's care of a 17-year-old patient who	Public Letter of Concern

		<p>developed sepsis following surgical reconstruction of an anterior cruciate ligament (ACL) with a tissue graft may have been below accepted standards of care. Specifically, an outside expert reviewer criticized MD's decision to perform abrasion arthroplastic during each of the three surgeries he performed on the patient to irrigate and drain the infected knee. Performing cartilage removal in the face of an active infection is a serious departure from standard of care, the reviewer stated.</p>	
<p>CHOUBEY, Sudhendu, MD (201302246) Radford, VA</p>	<p>03/27/2019</p>	<p>Quality of care; The Board is concerned that MD's care of a patient with a history of diabetes, hypertension, and prosthetic mitral valve who presented to the emergency department two days after a colonoscopy with chills, headache, nausea, and vomiting was below accepted standards. An outside expert medical reviewer opined that MD did not place a diagnosis of endocarditis high enough on the</p>	<p>Public Letter of Concern</p>



		<p>differential despite available and identifiable clinical information. The patient was readmitted a week later and a transesophageal echocardiogram (TEE) showed endocarditis and aortic root abscess. The patient was then transferred to another facility, where he died several weeks later.</p>	
<p>HANSEN, Hans Christian, MD (000039278) Conover, NC</p>	<p>03/28/2019</p>	<p>Corporate practice of medicine issues. MD entered into an arrangement with a non-licensee in which MD provided all medical treatment and determined all medical protocols as the practice's medical director and the corporate entity with which MD was contracted handled the administrative side of the practice. The management entity set the practice up in a manner that violated multiple NC healthcare laws.</p>	<p>Public Letter of Concern</p>
<p>JURISICH, Steven Michael, MD (009300171) Sanford, NC</p>	<p>03/29/2019</p>	<p>Quality of care; MD mistakenly placed what was intended to be a left subclavian vein port access catheter to facilitate chemotherapy</p>	<p>Public Letter of Concern; MD agrees to complete six hours of CME in central line placement within six months of the date of this letter.</p>

		<p>in the patient's left subclavian artery. Approximately three hours after discharge, the patient began to experience shortness of breath, blindness, slurred speech, and an inability to move her left side. A CT angiogram discovered the catheter was misplaced in the left subclavian artery rather than the intended vein. The patient was transferred to another facility for further care, where she died from additional procedural complications.</p>	
<p>MCCAULEY, Roger Lee, MD (000020823) Mocksville, NC</p>	<p>03/13/2019</p>	<p>Action taken by the West Virginia Board of Medicine (WV Board); The Board is concerned that in November 2018, MD entered into a Consent Order with the WV Board requiring MD to satisfy a continuing medical education deficiency for the reporting period of July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2017, by completing forty-four hours of CME. MD certified on his 2017 WV renewal application that he had complied with all the CME requirements to renew his WV license. However, after being randomly selected for an annual CME audit, it was</p>	<p>Public Letter of Concern</p>

		discovered that MD had not completed all required CME.	
MCKINLEY, Christopher Mark, PA-C, (V) Leland, NC	03/29/2019	Prior regulatory history with State Medical Board of Ohio, related to PA's 2008 Ohio conviction for forgery. PA's Ohio medical license was revoked for a time, then reinstated in January 2018.	NC PA license issued, with a Public Letter of Concern
SMYRNIODIS, Mary Eva, MD (201101692) Florence, SC	03/05/2019	<p>The Board is concerned with the quality of care that MD provided to a patient with a complicated past medical history including deep vein thrombosis that required lifelong treatment with anticoagulants. MD was concerned that patient may have meningitis and performed a lumbar puncture without immediate consequences. The patient later developed low back pain, leg weakness, and urinary retention. An MRI scan showed an acute subdural hematoma at the lumbar puncture site which ultimately left the patient with residual neurologic impairment.</p> <p>The Board had MD's treatment reviewed by an independent medical expert who noted multiple deficiencies. Specifically, the reviewer opined that the standard</p>	Public Letter of Concern

		<p>of care required documentation that the risks and benefits of a lumbar puncture were discussed with the patient. There also should have been documentation to show that alternative approaches were discussed and considered. Lastly, the reviewing expert stated that there should have been some documentation showing MD had considered hematology or neurology consultations for further discussion before treatment.</p>	
<p>TANO, Benoit Deki Kouame, MD (200301297) Edina, MN</p>	<p>03/20/2019</p>	<p>Action taken by the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice (MN Board). The NC Board is concerned that in early August 2018, the MN Board suspended MD's MN medical license because he was not in compliance with a court order for child support. MD's license was reinstated in late August 2018 upon receipt of a notification that MD had complied. The NC Board notes that the MN Board action has nothing to do with anything related with MD's ability to competently practice medicine and provide appropriate care to patients.</p>	<p>Public Letter of Concern</p>
<p>WOOD, Brandt Thomas, DO (200401155) Fayetteville, NC</p>	<p>02/13/2019</p>	<p>The Board received two complaints regarding the quality of care provided</p>	<p>Public Letter of Concern</p>

		<p>at DO's medical office, Valley Physical Medicine. The Board obtained medical records for five patients, which were reviewed by an independent medical expert who expressed concerns related to medical record documentation. While the charts reviewed for each of the patients generally included the provider's identity, diagnosis and plan of care, an occasional record did not carry forward each of these indicia for every patient encounter. Hence, the diagnosis, plan of care and identification of the provider may not be clear throughout the chart.</p>	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS</b>			
ALBERTO, Susan L., MD (009500440) Charlotte, NC	03/14/2019	The Board recognizes that MD has complied in all respects with and completed all terms of her consent order from December 2013 and has relieved her of all obligations contained therein.	Relief of consent order obligations
BOWLES, III, Robert Bradford, MD (009500517) Fayetteville, NC	02/01/2019	MD previously entered into a September 2018 consent order with the Board, in which he accepted a reprimand. NCPHP reports that MD has fully complied with his monitoring contract and advocates for MD's license to be reinstated.	License reinstated; MD to maintain current contract with NCPHP and abide by its terms.
<b>CONSENT ORDERS AMENDED</b>			

<p>MCCLELLAND, Scott Richard, DO (000029064) Wilmington, NC</p>	<p>02/15/2019</p>	<p>In April 2017, the Board entered into a consent order with DO in which he agreed to surrender his Drug Enforcement Agency privileges and to submit to a comprehensive evaluation by the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians. DO has complied with all terms and conditions of his Consent Order. However, due to DO's surrender of his DEA privileges, DO may not supervise physician assistants or nurse practitioners per the requirements of Board rule 21 NCAC 32B .1001.</p>	<p>Amended Consent Order; DO may not supervise physician assistants or nurse practitioners.</p>
<p><b>TEMPORARY/DATED LICENSES: ISSUED, EXTENDED, EXPIRED, OR REPLACED BY FULL LICENSES</b></p>			
<p>NONE</p>			
<p><b>COURT APPEALS/STAYS</b></p>			
<p>NONE</p>			
<p><b>DISMISSALS</b></p>			
<p>NONE</p>			