

Adverse Actions Report September 2021 – October 2021

The digital edition of the *Forum* presents a two-month report of recent adverse actions. This report does not include non-adverse action such as reentry agreements or relief of consent order obligations. To view all public actions, visit www.ncmedboard.org/BoardActions.

Name/license #/location	Date of action	Cause of action	Board action
ANNULMENTS			
NONE			
SUMMARY SUSPENSIONS			
NONE			
REVOCATIONS			
NONE			
SUSPENSIONS			
CHARNOCK, Brian Leslie, MD (000150432) Asheville, NC	09/07/2021	In March 2021, MD presented to his surgical residency under the influence of alcohol. MD reported to NCPHP and subsequently began ninety days of inpatient treatment for alcohol use disorder (severe). MD has successfully completed the inpatient treatment and returned to his residency under increased monitoring.	Indefinite suspension; stayed with conditions
DAVIS, James Wayne, MD	09/17/2021	The Board received	Indefinite suspension
(000980266) Siler City, NC		information that MD was diverting Oxycodone, a schedule II controlled substance, that he prescribed for patients. The Board thereafter investigated and learned that MD has Opioid Use Disorder, had a relapse, and prescribed and diverted Oxycodone medications for at least four of his patients for his own personal use. MD inactivated his North Carolina medical license on March 23, 2021.	
MENDES, Celia Maria, MD	10/06/2021	In June 2020, the Board	90-day suspension
(009501337) Fayetteville, NC		received information	followed by 90-day



		that MD had veterinary	practice limitations; MD
		medications in her	to only practice benign
		medical practice. MD	gynecology.
		denies the use of these	8,
		medications on any	
		patients. Additionally, on	
		or about June 2020, MD	
		permitted an out-of-	
		state physician, who was	
		not licensed to practice	
		medicine in North	
		Carolina, to perform	
		cosmetic medical	
		procedures on patients	
		at her medical practice in	
		Fayetteville, North	
		Carolina.	
SMITH, David Nathaniel, MD	10/20/2021	In July 2021, MD entered	License suspended for
(200701837) Waxhaw, NC	10,20,2021	into a Consent Order	two years; stayed with
(2007, 2007, 1707, 1107,		with NCMB requiring	terms and conditions
		him to participate in an	
		executive coaching	
		program and obtain a	
		practice monitor for a	
		group practice setting.	
		His practice was	
		restricted to a hospital	
		setting or group practice	
		setting, and it was	
		further outlined that he	
		should not own or	
		operate his own practice	
		or be the medical	
		director of a practice.	
		Additionally, he is	
		excluded from being the	
		primary supervising	
		physician for any	
		advance practice	
		practitioner. In August	
		2021, MD requested that	
		the July 2021 Consent	
		Order be amended to	
		provide clarification	
		regarding his practice	
		monitor requirement.	
		The Amended Order	
		states that the	
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VIRMANI, Ashutosh, MD (000038567) Charlotte, NC	10/14/2021	requirement for a practice monitor and/or pre-approval of a hospital setting shall not apply to locum tenens cardiology assignments and/or call coverage for care provided in a locums setting. MD, on occasion, made comments to patients and staff which were unprofessional in nature. The comments led to staff and patient representatives making complaints to administrative staff at MD's practice. MD was counseled and improved for a period of time, but subsequent complaints were made. Additionally, the Board is concerned that MD departed from the standard of care for several patients related to documentation, selection of medication, and monitoring of the sedating and respiratory effects of medications administered during a procedure. Other departures include not documenting the type of suction used for an evacuation (manual versus electric), not documenting dose and routes of medication administration, and relying on a poor-quality ultrasound for a surgical procedure.	Suspension for two years; stayed except for 30 days with practice conditions. MD shall successfully complete the ProBE course. MD shall arrange for an evaluation by the NCPHP. MD shall complete 10 Category I hours of CME on the topic of proper medical documentation. MD shall also complete CME of the topic of Office-Based Anesthesia for Abortion Providers. Lastly, a third-party chaperone must be readily available at all times during a physical examination, and a third party must be present when the licensee performs an intimate examination, regardless of the patient's gender.
EVANS, Michael Allen, MD	09/27/2021	MD has a history of	License reinstated with
(200001370) Clayton, NC			



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		with multiple relapses,	Order
		his most recent being	
		August 18, 2020. MD	
		signed a five-year	
		monitoring agreement	
		with the North Carolina	
		Professionals Health	
		Program on October 16,	
		2020. In March 2021,	
		MD entered into a	
		Consent Order with	
		NCMB in which his	
		license was indefinitely	
		suspended. On March	
		18, 2021, MD submitted	
		his reinstatement	
		application to the Board	
		for a license to practice	
		medicine. MD is in	
		compliance with his	
		NCPHP.	
GRAHAM, Charles Daniel, DO	09/22/2021	In June 2020, DO arrived	License issued via
(202102893) Lewiston, ID	03/22/2021	for his shift still impaired	Consent Order; DO shall
(202102033) Lewiston, 15		from consuming an	maintain his current
		excessive amount of	agreement with NCPHP.
		alcohol the previous day	agreement with Ner III.
		and was removed from	
		duty. DO submitted to	
		and successfully	
		completed treatment in	
		October 2020. In	
		November 2020, DO	
		entered into a contract	
		with the Idaho Physician	
		Recovery Network (PRN).	
		DO has applied for	
		licensure in NC. In June	
		2021, DO was assessed	
		by the NCPHP. On July 6,	
		2021, DO signed a	
		Recovery Monitoring	
		Agreement with	
		NCPHP. DO is in	
		compliance with his	
		NCPHP agreement.	
GROSS, Earl George, MD			
	10/18/2021	MD was first issued a	Non-Disciplinary
(009900855) Newville, PA	10/18/2021	MD was first issued a license to practice medicine 1999, and	Non-Disciplinary Consent Order; Restricted from clinical



		practiced Dermatology in Morehead City, NC. The Board has received information that MD may have an illness that affects his ability to safely practice medicine. MD has complied with all requests of the Board to undergo examinations or assessments and continues to address his current health issues.	practice
KHOSLA, Nitin, MD (202102981) Murfreesboro, TN	10/05/2021	MD has a prior history of inappropriate alcohol use beginning in 2012 when he consumed alcohol and operated a motor vehicle. On or about this time, MD applied for a Tennessee medical license, and the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners required him to sign a five-year monitoring agreement with the Tennessee Medical Foundation ("TMF"), which he successfully complete in March 2018. In November 2018, MD relapsed, self-reported to the TN Board, and was ordered for inpatient treatment. In March 2019, MD signed another five-year monitoring contract with the TMF and is currently in good standing. MD applied for a license to practice medicine in North Carolina. In May 2021, MD met with NCPHP, and MD signed a monitoring agreement	license issued with conditions



		with NCPHP and is in	
		compliance.	
REPRIMANDS			
BOWMAN, Karolen Ruth Church, MD (000021756) North Wilkesboro, NC	10/07/2021	On April 16, 2010, MD entered into a Consent Order with the Board in which she was reprimanded and ordered to no longer prescribe Schedule II, IIN, III, or IIIN medications to any patients aged 21 years and over for any reason. In July 2021, the United States Drug Enforcement Administration provided information to the Board that MD had prescribed controlled substances in violation of her 2010 Consent Order.	Reprimand
PAPPACHEN, Stephen Valiakalayil, MD (201901236) Lakeland, FL	10/07/2021	On March 11, 2021, MD entered into a Consent Order with the Florida Board of Medicine in which he was reprimanded. The Consent Order with the Florida Board arose from allegations that MD had prescribed an excessive amount of testosterone to a patient for which he did not examine or document an examination and failed to create or keep a legible medical record documenting the patient's treatment. Additionally, MD was restricted from prescribing, ordering, or delegating the prescription of testosterone and also required MD to	Reprimand



RAHULAN, Vijil Komanthakkal, MD (201202216) Grandville, MI	10/29/2021	complete a medical records course and three-hour continuing medical education course in Risk Management. Action based on the action of another state medical board. On April 15, 2021, the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts entered a Summary Order in which MD was suspended, publicly censured, and assessed a \$1,000 civil fine. The Kansas Board Summary Order was based upon MD's failure to pay the annual surcharge to the Kansas Health Care Stabilization Fund (KHCSF) during the 2017-2018 and 2019-2020 periods, and MD's improper certification that such surcharges had been paid. On May 17, 2021, the Summary Order became a Final Order. MD's Kansas medical license is currently suspended as he remains out of	Reprimand
		he remains out of compliance with the KHCSF statutory requirements.	
DENIALS OF LICENSE/APPROVAL			
LLIBRE, Giovanni, MD (009900918) Seven Devils, NC	10/25/2021	The Board denied MD's application for licensure based on his alcohol use disorder, 2018 violation of NCPHP monitoring agreement and testing positive for alcohol consumption. In 2020 MD's license was indefinitely suspended	Denial of Licensure



		for an inappropriate	
		sexual relationship with	
		a female patient.	
SURRENDERS			
DAISLEY, Samuel Joseph, DO (200201236) Conneaut Lake, PA	10/05/2021	Action based on another state medical board action. The Pennsylvania State Board of Osteopathic Medicine accepted DO's Permanent Voluntary Surrender based on allegations that DO had consensual sexual affairs with two patients. On August 26, 2021, DO's license to practice medicine in North Carolina became inactive when he failed to register.	Surrender of NC medical license
ZACHER, Allan Norman, MD	09/07/2021		Voluntary surrender of
(000030531) Lake Junaluska, NC			license
PUBLIC LETTERS OF CONCERN			
DAVIDSON, Larry Steve, MD (009400460) Florence, SC	10/27/2021	The Board is concerned about multiple violations of MD's 2018 Consent Order. He has a history of alcohol use disorder and the Consent Order required, among other things, that MD abstain from the consumption of alcohol. In November 2020 he tested positive for alcohol and admitted to consuming alcohol in violation of his Consent Order. MD again tested positive for alcohol in April 2021. At the request of the Board, he inactivated his North Carolina medical license in May 2021. As a result, MD is required to apply for reinstatement in the	Public Letter of Concern



		future.	
PEER, Peter McKinley, DO	09/22/2021	Action based on another	Public Letter of Concern
(201201019) Saginaw, MI		state medical board.	
		NCMB is concerned that	
		on April 1, 2021, DO	
		entered into a Consent	
		Order and Stipulation	
		with the Michigan Board	
		in which he was assessed	
		a \$3,000.00 fine. The	
		Michigan Consent Order	
		was based on concerns	
		that DO failed to provide	
		appropriate care to four	
		patients.	
SCHECODNIC, Heidi Lee, MD	10/07/2021	The Board is concerned	Public Letter of Concern
(200701703) Wake Forest, NC		that MD entered into an	
		agreement in 2017 with	
		a company to provide	
		telemedicine services	
		that included	
		assessments for durable	
		medical equipment. In	
		2019 and 2020, MD	
		treated patients after	
		they were triaged via	
		telephone without	
		performing a physical	
		examination, and in	
		some circumstances,	
		ordered durable medical	
		equipment. The Board	
		had MD's care of	
		patients reviewed by an	
		independent medical	
		expert who opined that	
		MD's care fell below the	
		standard of care.	
		Specifically, the	
		reviewing expert did not	
		think MD performed a	
		complete and thorough	
		history and physical	
		examination during the	
		telemedicine	
		appointment before	
		prescribing durable	
		medical equipment.	



SCHESCHUK, Joseph Peter, MD (201801176) New Albany, OH	10/12/2021	Quality of care; In January 2019, DO performed a surgery in which he was to harvest	Public Letter of Concern
		bone from the patient to reconstruct his elbow.	
		During surgery, the DO became disoriented to	
		the regional anatomy and erroneously	
		harvested bone graft from the wrong place	
		which ultimately caused postoperative	
		complications. The Board	
		had DO's care reviewed	
		by an independent medical expert who	
		opined DO failed to	
		adequately identify the ilium as opposed to the	
		sacrum and failed to	
		recognize the regional	
		anatomy during the surgery. The reviewing	
		expert also criticized	
		DO's failure to utilize	
		fluoroscopy or enlarge the dissection, which	
		could have assisted with	
		confirming the	
		anatomical landmarks needed to avoid the	
		injury that occurred.	
TERRY, Anna R., MD (201501264) Raleigh, NC	09/08/2021	Quality of care; The Board is concerned that MD failed to perform the	Public Letter of Concern
		proposed surgery she	
		had outlined for her patient thus requiring	
		additional surgery.	
MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS			
BURKHEAD, Margaret Kelly, MD (200700808) Raleigh, NC	09/23/2021	MD has a history of alcohol use disorder with multiple relapses, her	License reinstated with conditions via Consent Order. MD shall
		most recent being on January 27, 2020. MD has renewed her	maintain her current agreement with NCPHP and abide by its terms.
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		commitment to recovery and extended her monitoring agreement with NCPHP until January 28, 2025. On May 4, 2021, MD submitted her reinstatement application to the Board. MD is in compliance with her NCPHP agreement.	
CONSENT ORDERS AMENDED			
NONE			
TEMPORARY/DATED LICENSES:			
ISSUED, EXTENDED, EXPIRED, OR			
REPLACED BY FULL LICENSES			
NONE			
COURT APPEALS/STAYS			
NONE	_		
DISMISSALS			
NONE			