

North Carolina Medical Board

Quarterly Adverse Actions Report | February - April 2012

The Board actions listed below are published in an abbreviated format. The report does not include non-prejudicial actions such as reentry agreements and non-disciplinary consent orders. Recent Board actions are also available at www.ncmedboard.org. Go to "Professional Resources" to view current disciplinary data or to sign up to receive notification when new actions are posted via the RSS Feed subscription service.

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| <u>ANNULMENTS</u> | | | |
| None | | | |
| <u>SUMMARY SUSPENSIONS</u> | | | |
| FENN, James David, MD (201000133) Moyoek, NC | 03/07/2012 | History of alcohol abuse, DUI. MD was arrested/charged with assault on a female; failed to report for a recommended evaluation at an alcohol assessment center. Results of an ordered assessment indicate that MD is alcohol dependent/history of cocaine abuse. | Summary suspension of NC medical license |
| <u>REVOCATIONS</u> | | | |
| HADDON, Werner Scott, MD (000035356) Raleigh, NC | 04/23/201 | MD was convicted of a felony for kidnapping. | Entry of revocation |
| <u>SUSPENSIONS</u> | | | |
| CHEN, Louis Chai-His, MD (RTL) Seattle, WA | 02/24/2012 | MD was charged with murder in August 31, 2011. | MD's resident training license is indefinitely suspended. |
| EVANS, Eric Eugene, PA (001000806) Safat 13007 Kuwait, AE | 02/16/2012 | While examining a female patient, PA used language that he acknowledged could have been interpreted by the patient as inappropriate. Patient reported that she believed he was going to inappropriately touch her. | PA's license is suspended for six months, stayed; must have a chaperone present for exams of female patients; other conditions |
| GERANCHER, John Charles, III, MD (009500077) Winston-Salem, NC | 02/16/2012 | MD pled guilty to one count of indecent exposure. | MD's license is indefinitely suspended. |
| MCINTOSH, Margaret Gloria, MD (000036117) Charlotte, NC | 02/07/2012 | Improper prescribing to self/spouse; prescribing controlled substances without valid DEA registration. MD has history of Board discipline for improper prescribing and for the unlicensed practice of medicine. | Indefinite suspension of NC medical license. |
| MEEHAN-DE LA CRUZ, Kathleen, MD (009900813) Norwalk, OH | 03/12/2012 | MD entered into a romantic relationship with a patient; she issued three prescriptions to the patient. On one occasion, MD wrote a prescription to the patient for a medication she used to treat herself. | MD's license is suspended for 30 days, immediately stayed. |
| MOORE, Michael Christopher, DO (009701826) Chapel Hill, NC | 04/4/2012 | Inappropriate care/controlled substance prescribing to a person with whom DO had a personal relationship. Deficiencies in the care of two patients. DO ordered for assessment; surrendered license in January 2012. | DO's license is indefinitely suspended. |
| NUNN, Michael Kermitt, DO (000036123) New Bern, NC | 02/14/2012 | MD pled guilty as an organizational defendant (e.g. medical corporation) to money laundering/healthcare fraud. | MD's license is suspended for 12 months, stayed; \$5,000 fine. |
| PARUCHURI, Vamsee Prasad, MD (201001537) High Point, NC | 02/14/2012 | MD obtained Ambien for personal use by writing prescriptions in the names of others and forging the name of another physician on the prescription; arrested for obtaining controlled substances by fraud/forgery | Indefinite suspension of NC medical license. |
| RAO, Shiva Kumar, MD (009401479) Roanoke Rapids, NC | 3/27/2012 | MD submitted an online application and was interviewed for a position on the NC Medical Board. MD failed to provide truthful information in regards to three questions during the application process. | MD's license is suspended for six months, stayed all but 30 days; beginning 4/30/12 and ending 5/29/12. |
| ULLAH, A.B.M. Enayet, MD (009801790) Smithfield, NC | 02/16/2012 | MD inappropriately prescribed controlled substances to coworkers. Medical records were inadequate and not created contemporaneously with treatment provided. | MD's license is indefinitely suspended. |
| URBAN, Edward John, DO (000027410) Asheville, NC | 0/05/2012 | DO inappropriately prescribed controlled substances without an appropriate physical exam and without appropriate medical justification. | Order of partial suspension of medical license; may not prescribe controlled substances per DEA/Controlled Substance Act. |
| WASHINGTON, Clarence Joseph, MD (000032295) Fayetteville, NC | 03/13/2012 | Patients treated at HRC Medical of NC received sub-standard care according to a Board review of records for Patients A-H. | MD's license is suspended for 12 months, stayed all but 90 days beginning 5/1/12 to 7/30/12. |

DISCIPLINARY REPORT

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| PROBATIONS | | | |
| CALOGERO, Thomas John, III, MD (20050187) Mount Olive, NC | 04/20/2012 | MD's treatment and care of six patients fell below accepted standards of medical practice. MD's medical records were "disjointed and inadequate." | MD's license is placed on probation; must comply with conditions |
| ROGERS, Benjamin Michael, MD (RTL) Winston-Salem, NC | 04/20/2012 | MD was arrested for misdemeanor charges of Assault on a Female, Communicating Threats and Breaking and Entering. During the pendency of the criminal charges, the District Court entered domestic violence protective orders against MD. | MD's license is placed on probation; must comply with conditions |
| THOMPSON, Joel Wesley, PA (000101018) Charlotte, NC | 04/20/2012 | PA was charged/cited with a hit and run on two occasions. Charges were dismissed. PA did not disclose on his license application a 1987 arrest for DWI. Subsequent to the arrest, PA was arrested on three more occasions for DWI, two of which resulted in convictions. PA has undergone treatment for alcohol dependence. | PA is reprimanded and placed on probation for two years; conditions on license. |
| REPRIMAND | | | |
| ACOSTA, Daniel, MD (200100499) Greenville, NC | 03/13/2012 | MD's care of a psychiatric patient who requested assistance in discontinuing the use of Xanax was below standards. | MD is reprimanded; must attend courses in medical record keeping and prescribing medicines approved by NCMB |
| ARNOLD, Gordon Bruce, MD (000016565) High Point, NC | 04/20/2012 | MD treated family members not in accordance with NCMB position statement on treating self/family. Care of several patients was below standards; concerns focused on treatment of chronic pain and controlled substance prescribing. | MD is reprimanded, conditions and restrictions on license |
| BABALOLA, Olufemi Abiola, MD (200901598) Atlanta, GA | 12/16/2012 | An independent expert reviewer's assessment of two patient charts revealed that MD's performance of cholecystectomy was substandard in each case. MD currently practices in Georgia. | MD is reprimanded. |
| BARKER, Joseph David, MD (000036648) Linville, NC | 12/17/2012 | Inappropriate prescribing of controlled substances for pain; poor documentation. | MD is reprimanded and placed on probation for 12 mos. |
| CHRISTENBURY, Jonathan David, MD (000026210) Charlotte, NC | 04/09/2012 | MD had a personal relationship with a patient of his practice. The patient received medical treatment performed by a PA. | MD is reprimanded, and fined \$3,000. Conditions on license. |
| GAFFNEY, Mary Elizabeth, DO (009601319) Charlotte, NC | 04/19/2012 | A reviewing expert concluded that DO's diagnosis and treatment of a patient was below standard. | DO is reprimanded with conditions placed on license. |
| GOOTMAN, Aaron Harvey, MD (200200534) Fayetteville, NC | 04/03/2012 | MD supervised four PAs. MD or PAs signed prescriptions for controlled substances for a patient seen by a clinician who did not have the ability to prescribe controlled substances without independently examining the patient. | MD is reprimanded |
| KIRBY, Daniel Lee, MD (009900083) Davidson, NC | 12/16/2012 | MD purchased Canadian versions of two prescription drugs over the Internet for use in his NC practice; Consent forms indicated that the drugs were the FDA-approved American versions. | MD is reprimanded; \$10,000 fine. |
| THOMPSON, Joel Wesley, PA (000101018) Charlotte, NC | 04/20/2012 | PA was charged/cited with a hit and run on two occasions. Charges were dismissed. PA did not disclose on his license application a 1987 arrest for DWI. Subsequent to the arrest, PA was arrested on three more occasions for DWI, two of which resulted in convictions. PA has undergone treatment for alcohol dependence. | PA is reprimanded and placed on probation for two years; conditions on license. |
| DENIALS OF LICENSE/APPROVAL | | | |
| SHAH, Mian Mohsin, MD (denied) Tustin, CA | 02/27/2012 | MD was placed on provisional disciplinary probation during residency training; MD failed to report on application. In addition, there was a discrepancy with one of MD's submitted references. | Denial of application for NC medical license. |
| SURRENDERS | | | |
| ADKINS, Paula Clark, MD (00009900745) Pinehurst, NC | 04/19/2012 | | Voluntary surrender of medical license |
| BOGGALA, Vijaya Prakash, MD (RTL) Greensboro, NC | 02/01/2012 | | Voluntary surrender of resident training license |
| COLEMAN, Adam C., PA (001001168) Durham, NC | 04/16/2012 | | Voluntary surrender of PA license |

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| GUFFEY, Neal Hamilton, Jr., MD (009500489) Winston-Salem, NC | 04/17/2012 | | Voluntary surrender of medical license |
| MAYNOR, Michael Lee, MD (000030677) Choctaw, MS | 02/15/2012 | | Voluntary surrender of medical license |
| <u>PUBLIC LETTERS OF CONCERN</u> | | | |
| BLOEM, Josephus TH. J., MD (000024225) Rocky Mount, NC | 04/02/2012 | MD prescribed controlled substances to a family member, and prescribed/asked others to pre-prescribe with intention of diverting medication for personal use; MD did so on one occasion. | Public letter of concern |
| CONA, Constantino Dino, MD (009700905) Asheville, NC | 04/24/2012 | MD and a PA under MD's supervision inserted a biopsy needle into a patient's chest on the left side rather than the right, puncturing the patient's pulmonary artery and causing a pericardial tamponade that led to her death. | Public letter of concern issued via Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order of |
| CONTRERAS, Jamie Jaqua, MD (201001200) Winston-Salem, NC | 04/09/2012 | MD failed to register and renew MD's NC medical license within 30 days of his birthday. MD continued to practice with an inactive license, but immediately stopped and applied for reactivation upon realizing his license was inactive. | Public letter of concern |
| HARRIS, Tasha Jean, PA (009900541) St. Johns, FL | 03/20/2012 | PA did not appropriately address significantly abnormal laboratory results that may have had an impact on the outcome of a patient diagnosed with anemia and dysfunctional uterine bleeding. | Public letter of concern |
| JENELLE, Richard Lester Stephen, MD (200101564) Los Angeles, CA | 04/04/2012 | MD supervised a resident who incorrectly noted that a tumor of a patient was in the left lung, when it was in the right lung. This led the patient to receive 32 treatments of radiation to his left lung, when the patient had lung cancer located in the right middle lobe of his right lung. | Public letter of concern |
| JOHNSON, John Theodore, Jr., MD (200300816) Morehead City, NC | 02/14/2012 | MD's care of a patient who developed an anastomotic leak following gastric bypass surgery may have been substandard. The Board is concerned that MD did not suspect anastomotic leak sooner, which may have led to earlier surgical intervention and fewer complications. | Public letter of concern |
| LANCASTER, David Steven, II, MD (200601330) Charlotte, NC | 04/30/2012 | MD's care may have failed to conform to acceptable standards. MD failed to properly recognize changes in a patient's second ECG and then did not obtain additional diagnostic tests prior to discharging the patient. | Public letter of concern |
| PETERSON, Carole Jean, MD (2012-00312) Rochester, NY | 03/01/2012 | MD failed to disclose his involvement in six malpractice claims filed from 1986-2007. | License issued, with a public letter of concern and \$1,000 fine. |
| REID, Kim Purcell, PA (000101039) China Grove, NC | 03/29/2012 | PA failed to diagnose cirrhosis in a patient even though symptoms were suggestive of liver disease. The patient developed unrecognized non-alcoholic cirrhosis of the liver presumably through long-term use of improperly monitored methotrexate. | Public letter of concern |
| ROY, James William, MD (200700583) Decatur, AL | 04/12/2012 | MD interpreted a sleep study and offered his impressions and recommendations for treatment of a NC patient. MD's license has been inactive since 2007. MD was practicing medicine in NC without a license. | Public letter of concern |
| SHERMAN, Robert Olney, Jr., PA (000103138) Fayetteville, NC | 02/01/2012 | PA practiced medicine without having required documents in place, including a signed statement of supervisory arrangement, written instructions for prescribing, etc. | Public letter of concern |
| SHERROD, William Maxwell, MD (200101497) Bolivia, NC | 04/17/2012 | MD did not appropriately document a thorough evaluation of a patient's injuries following a motor vehicle accident, and did not obtain further tests/CT scan or alternatively document the patient's refusal of such recommended tests. | Public letter of concern |
| SMITH, Yale Robert, MD (201200717) | 04/04/2012 | MD failed to include an investigation/Board action by the Fl. Board on MD's license application | Public letter of concern |
| SNOW, Douglas Hardy, DO (200600532) Paducah, KY | 04/20/2012 | DO's supervision of a PA may have failed to conform to acceptable standards. MD was not appropriately involved in the care the PA provided. | Public letter of concern |

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| THERIAULT, Joseph Herman, LP (100000066) Raleigh, NC | 05/10/2012 | LP had a positive drug screen for cannabis and placed perfusionist license on inactive status | Public letter of concern |
| WATKINS, James Allison, MD (000024954) Charlotte, NC | 04/12/2012 | MD did not consult with a thoracic surgeon or oncologist intraoperatively after discovering a patient had distal esophageal cancer during a scheduled partial gastrectomy. The patient experienced significant post-surgical complications. | Public letter of concern |
| WHITESIDES, Daniel Baxter, MD (000029445) Charlotte, NC | 3/22/2012 | MD did not review the genetic test results of a patient, failing to discover a nurse's error of inaccurately recording "negative" when a patient tested positive as a carrier for cystic fibrosis | Public letter of concern |
| WHITTED, Matthew Louis, MD (000033199) Chesapeake, VA | 02/14/2012 | History of boundary issues/disruptive behavior in the hospital setting. Conduct led MD to enter into a consent order with the Va. Board | Public letter of concern |
| WILLIAMS, James Dewey, MD (200300429) Oxford, NC | 04/30/2012 | MD did not discontinue a biopsy procedure when anesthesia staff were unable to intubate or otherwise establish a secure airway for a patient. | Public letter of concern |
| MISCELLANEOUS ACTIONS | | | |
| CARR, Emily Kathleen, MD (RTL) Winston-Salem, NC | 03/08/2012 | MD failed to answer a licensing application question correctly and inform the Board about MD's medical conditions. MD has been assessed by NCPHP and entered into a contract. | MD is issued a resident training license via consent order; \$500 administrative fine. |
| CONSENT ORDERS AMENDED | | | |
| HUYNH, Tuan Anh, MD (200300814) Charlotte, NC | 12/17/2012 | History of inappropriate prescribing of controlled substances. | Amendment to consent order dated 10/15/2010. MD may prescribe controlled substances if he obtains a proper DEA registration. However, MD is still prohibited from prescribing controlled substances for the treatment of pain. |
| TEMPORARY/DATED LICENSES: ISSUED, EXTENDED, EXPIRED, OR REPLACED BY FULL LICENSES | | | |
| OLIVER, Joseph Andrew, III, MD (009501366) Rockwell, NC | 03/08/2012 | History of alcohol dependence | Temporary medical license issued; expires 03/08/2013 |
| PARKIH, Himanshu Pravinchandra, MD (009600671) Cary, NC | 03/23/2012 | | Temporary license issued; expires 11/30/2012 |
| SHEILDS, Douglas Allen, MD (009400352) Jonas Ridge, NC | 4/13/2012 | MD has history of alcohol dependence; entered into a consent order with the Board in 06/2010; MD's license was indefinitely suspended; MD has been in a contractual relationship with NCPHP. | Temporary medical license issued; expires 04/13/2012 |
| COURT APPEALS/STAYS | | | |
| NONE | | | |
| DISMISSALS | | | |
| NONE | | | |

FINES

The NCMB issues non-disciplinary administrative fines in certain cases where incorrect and/or incomplete information on a medical licensing application causes Board staff to spend an inordinate amount of time resolving the issue(s),

| Date | Reason | Amount |
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| March 2012 | Failure to respond accurately to a question on license application | \$500 |
| March 2012 | Failure to report out-of-state investigation and Board action | \$1,000 |
| March 2012 | Failure to renew license and practiced with and inactive medical license | \$1,000 |
| March 2012 | Failure to respond accurately to questions on license application | \$1,000 |
| April 2012 | Failure to timely report CME and respond to audit inquiries from the Board | \$500 |
| April 2012 | Healthcare fraud and money laundering | \$5,000 |
| April 2012 | Incorrectly completed the malpractice data section on license application | \$1,000 |