



From The Desk Of the Executive Director

Mission Statement

The mission of the Maryland Board of Physicians is to assure quality health care in Maryland through the efficient licensure and effective discipline of health providers under its jurisdiction, by protecting and educating clients, customers and stakeholders and enforcing the Maryland Medical Practice Act.

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I'm very pleased to report the many successful initiatives taken by the Maryland Board of Physicians during the extremely busy and challenging 2013 Legislative Session. The Board is very grateful to the House and Senate sponsors of its six bills, who enthusiastically embraced the innovations the Board identified as extremely important to better serve its licensees and the public. The six bills introduced by the Board of Physicians were:

1/ "Cease and Desist" bill (HB 1296/SB 981) – grants the Board authority to order a physician to cease performing a particular act or acts as an alternative to summary suspension of a license

2/ "Licensure" bill (HB 1313/SB 942) – gives the Board discretion to review certain other credentials in deciding whether to grant a license to an applicant who passed all steps of the USMLE but outside of a specified timeframe

3/ "Polysomnographic Technologists" bill (HB 879/SB 951) – establishes sanctioning equity with physicians and other Allied Health professions licensed and regulated by the Board

4/ "Radiography / Rad Tech" bill (HB 980/SB 954) – removes the outdated requirement to issue a temporary license

5/ "Failure to Renew" bill – (HB 900/SB 690) – establishes penalty equity with unlicensed individuals and non-renewed physicians by establishing a 60-day grace period during which a licensee must have submitted a renewal application and fee

6/ "Statute of Limitations" bill (HB 1263/SB 894) – would have aligned Board statute with criminal law which already makes the unlicensed practice of medicine a felony, by removing the 3-year statute of limitations. Unfortunately, this bill failed to pass

One of the Board's primary objectives was to update licensure requirements which were developed many years ago, and did not necessarily reflect current trends in medical education, nor allowed discretion to the Board to consider pertinent credentials for otherwise qualified applicants. This became a collaborative effort first identified by the Board's licensure staff, followed by a comprehensive review of the applications submitted and concerns expressed by applicants who were unable to become licensed in Maryland, led by Board Chair Dr. Andrea Mathias and Board counsel.

Board members, staff, and counsel worked together closely to develop language for the bill that will resolve these issues.

Passage of the licensure bills means that the public will benefit from additional, well-qualified physicians who document outstanding credentials and wish to provide services in Maryland. Designated an "Emergency" bill, it will become effective upon signature by the Governor.

In order to provide an alternative to full summary suspensions and the disruptions they can cause for patient access to care, the Board initiated its "Cease and Desist" bill. When appropriate, the Board may choose to issue a cease and desist order against a certain practice activity or procedure, rather than summarily suspending the entire license.

With dedication and hard work on the part of Board members and staff, the Board was extremely pleased to see its efforts recognized in the successful passage of the 2013 Sunset legislation, which received overwhelming support by state representatives. The next audit will occur in 2016, with a Sunset review date of 2018. Additionally, the Board and staff are preparing to implement additional changes which were recommended by the independent review team of the University of Maryland, led by Dr. Jay Perman, and incorporated into the Sunset legislation. Board members and staff remain committed to continuous quality improvement in our operations and procedures.

I was very pleased to testify on behalf of the Board in support of the Veterans' Full Employment Act of 2013 in both the House and Senate. The bill –which has already been signed and is in effect - reflects the basic plan that Board staff had already started implementing before the session began. At the time of this newsletter, we are finalizing changes to our licensure applications and are committed to assisting our veterans and their spouses through the licensure process and welcoming them to Maryland's medical community.

During the 2013 legislative session, the Board Chair assembled a Legislative committee which, together with Board staff, reviewed and tracked 107 House bills and 87 Senate bills (194 total)*. The Board took a position of Support, Support with Amendments, Oppose, Letter of Support, or Letter of Concern on 62 bills*. Additionally, the Board Chair, myself, Board members and/or staff appeared and testified at over 50 hearings and work sessions.

*Totals include Board bills

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Boundary Violations

*The interaction of these various factors is complex and requires the physician to consider them sensitively.”*****

“Boundaries define the expected and accepted psychological and social distance between practitioners and patients. Boundaries are derived from ethical treatise, cultural morality, and jurisprudence.”* There are many forms of boundary violations in the practice of medicine. All involve crossing the barrier between professionally acceptable behaviors between the medical providers and patient and can potentially be harmful to both the patient and provider. Boundary violations can include, but are not limited to, sexual misconduct with a patient, financial exploitation of a patient, and improper use of social media.

The Board responds to a significant number of boundary violation complaints, the majority involving allegations of sexual misconduct concurrent with the physician-patient relationship. The Code of Maryland Regulations prohibits sexual misconduct involving patients, former patients, or key third parties (spouse, parent, guardian, or surrogate of the patient) by individuals licensed or certified by the Board.** Sexual misconduct is not limited to a sexual relationship with a patient or key third party, but can also involve words or actions that are seductive, sexually suggestive, or disrespectful of a patient’s privacy. Examples include failing to use drapes during an examination, deliberately watching a patient dress or undress -- especially in a sexually suggestive or sexually demeaning manner, examination of genital areas without gloves, inappropriate or sexual remarks about a patient’s body or underclothing, or using the physician-patient relationship to solicit a date or romantic relationship.

Sometimes patients become emotionally attached to their physician. However, when a patient acts in a seductive manner or makes overtures to the physician, it is always the physician’s responsibility to respond in a professional manner. Patients report intense shame, guilt, depression, suicidal thoughts, increased drug and alcohol use, break-up of relationships and loss of employment after sexual misconduct by doctors, therapists, and other practitioners. These patients often have difficulty trusting the medical profession again, which may compromise their future health care. The Board has disciplined licensees for unprofessional conduct involving sexual relationships with patients,

no matter who initiated the relationship. The Board strongly pursues disciplinary action in cases involving both consensual and nonconsensual sexual activity.

The Board also receives complaints, investigates, and issues discipline under circumstances that involve patient financial exploitation, including physician acceptance of monetary gifts and loans from patients. There are guidelines and literature on the ethics of gift giving between the physician

“Gifts that patients offer to physicians are often an expression of appreciation and gratitude or a reflection of cultural tradition, and can enhance the patient-physician relationship.

Some gifts signal psychological needs that require the physician’s attention. Some patients may attempt to influence care or to secure preferential treatment through the offering of gifts or cash. Acceptance of such gifts is likely to damage the integrity of the patient-physician relationship. Physicians should make clear that gifts given to secure preferential treatment compromise their obligation to provide services in a fair manner.

There are no definitive rules to determine when a physician should or should not accept a gift. No fixed value determines the appropriateness or inappropriateness of a gift from a patient.

However, the gift’s value relative to the patient’s or the physician’s means should not be disproportionately or inappropriately large. One criterion is whether the physician would be comfortable if acceptance of the gift were known to colleagues or the public.

Physicians should be cautious if patients discuss gifts in the context of a will. Such discussions must not influence the patient’s medical care.

If, after a patient’s death, a physician should learn that he or she has been bequeathed a gift, the physician should consider declining the gift if the physician believes that its acceptance would present a significant hardship (financial or emotional) to the family.

Physicians should carefully examine the nature of any gift, and the context and circumstances within which the gift is offered.

Social media provides a new and real-time manner for physicians to communicate with patients. However, physicians must remember to maintain their professional decorum with patients in every interaction. According to David Harlow, Esq., Health Care Attorney and Consultant at The Harlow Group, LLC in Boston,

*“Most physicians and authorities agree that a health care professional should not “friend” or otherwise connect with a patient (or accept a request to do the same) on Facebook or other online social media platforms for any purpose other than to advance the clinician-patient relationship, always being mindful of the patient’s right to privacy when engaged in open online dialogue that can be read by others.”*****

While technology is constantly evolving, so are the avenues for boundary violations of any nature. Physicians must be careful to establish and maintain appropriate professional boundaries with patients whether interacting in person, via email, or communicating on social media websites.

* Aravind, Boundary Crossings and Violations in Clinical Settings. Indian Journal of Psychological Medicine, January-March, 2012. Accessed at: www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC

** COMAR 10.32.17

***AMA Medical Code of Ethics. Accessed at: <http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/physician-resources/medical-ethics/code-medical-ethics/opinion-10017>

**** Health in 30.com, For the Doctor/Patient Relationship, January 30, 2013, <http://healthin30.com/index.php?s=for+the+doctor%2Fpatient+relationship>





Rehab Programs Offered by MedChi

On January 1, 2010, the Center for a Healthy Maryland (Center), a 501(c) (3) charitable affiliate of MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, was awarded the contract to provide rehabilitation services to the Maryland Board of Physicians. The contract was awarded after a competitive bidding process in which the Board identified the Center's program to be the most suitable due to its extensive experience and the procedures already in place within the Center's programs. The five-year contract is effective from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2014. The Maryland Professional Rehabilitation Program (MPRP) is solely reserved for physicians and allied health professionals who are already known to the Board and have entered into an agreement for rehabilitation services.

The Center continues to provide services through the Maryland Physician Health Program (MPHP), a *voluntary* program for physicians and allied health professionals struggling with chemical abuse/dependence, mental/cognitive illness, or behavioral difficulties, including disruptive behaviors. The MPHP has been helping those seeking services for more than 35 years. Although the Center provides services for both the Maryland Board of Physicians' Rehabilitation Program (MPRP) and the voluntary Maryland Physician

Health Program (MPHP), the MPHP and MPRP are distinct and separate programs, and the Board has no authority or influence over the MPHP and cannot access its records. There is no financial relationship between MPRP and MPHP. The MPHP is funded through hospital management consultation fees, individual client fees, donations and the support of the Center and MedChi.

Unlike those in many other States, Maryland physicians and allied health professionals are fortunate to have the voluntary MPHP, in which an individual can still address issues that may interfere with their ability to practice medicine without the Board's involvement in a confidential manner. The MPHP provides a non-punitive, private and confidential setting for practitioners to receive effective services, support and advocacy. Federal Confidentiality Regulations (42 CFR part 2 and HIPAA) apply, and federal and state laws ensure the confidentiality of practitioners accessing rehabilitation and monitoring services. The goal of the MPHP is to effectively assist and advocate for the professional to hospitals and the Board should the need arise. Countless people have benefited from MPHP advocacy and continue to practice medicine.

Participation in the MPHP is not viewed as a disciplinary or punitive process by the Board and it encourages individuals in need of help to avail themselves of the services of the MPHP. In fact, the MBP supports and encourages hospitals and the individuals to voluntarily participate with MPHP before it potentially becomes a formal Board process. The MPHP structure and policies allow a physician or allied health professional to receive this help in a confidential supportive setting.

In short, in Maryland, there are two separate programs:

- 1) A *mandated* program of the Maryland Board of Physicians for those individuals who are already known to the Board and are under an agreement with Board.
- 2) A *voluntary, confidential* program operated by the Center for a Healthy Maryland, a charitable MedChi affiliate that does not answer to the Board, and provides confidential assistance to physicians and allied health professionals for the purpose of support and advocacy.

For additional information, please contact the Maryland Physician Health Program: 1202 Maryland Ave, Baltimore, MD 21201 P. 410. 962.5580 web: healthymaryland.org

Submitted By Dr. Stanley Platman

Documentation of Continuing Medical Education Credits for Physicians

When applying for renewal or reinstatement, physicians are required to have earned at least 50 credit hours of Category 1 Continuing Medical Education Credits (CME) during the two (2) year period immediately preceding the submission of the renewal or reinstatement application.* Additionally, physicians have the affirmative obligation to obtain the requisite documentation of Continuing Medical Education (CME) attendance, and must retain this documentation for six (6) years for possible inspection by the Maryland Board of Physicians (Board).**

The Board conducts random renewal audits to determine whether physicians have complied with the CME requirements. During the audit, the physician must submit documentation of having earned the requisite amount of CME credits to the Board for inspection.

The required documentation must be a certificate or other verification of attendance that must contain the program title, sponsor's name, physician's name, inclusive date or dates and location of the CME event, and documented verification of successful completion by stamp, signature, hospital printout or other official confirmation.

* COMAR 10.32.01.09B (1)
** COMAR 10.32.01.09D (1)

Medical Record Retention

Questions & Answers

Q: How long must I maintain a patient's medical record?

A: Section 4-403 of the Health-General Article and regulations at COMAR 10.01.16 govern the retention of patient medical records. These provisions require that medical records, laboratory, and x-ray reports be maintained for at least five (5) years from the date the record or report was created.

Q: How should I maintain medical records?

A: You must maintain records: (1) in an office with access restricted to authorized staff; (2) on a computer or other device with appropriate security protocols such as passwords or data encryption; (3) in a commercial records storage site with appropriate environmental and security controls; or (4) using other storage options that ensure protection, security, and access control.

Q: What about medical records kept electronically?

A: You must have access to compatible electronic hardware and software that will enable you to generate a legible copy of the record in order to comply with patient and governmental access needs, and you must have a current back-up copy of the electronic files.

Q: What if my patient is under the age of 18 (a minor)?

A: You must maintain and cannot destroy a medical record, laboratory, or x-ray report until the patient reaches the age of majority (18 in Maryland) plus three (3) years – in other words, until the patient is 21 years old, or for five (5) years after the record or report is made, whichever date is later.

Q: Are there any exceptions to the rules regarding minors?

A: You must notify the parent or guardian of a minor patient by first-class mail before destroying a minor's medical record. Notification to the minor patient must be by certified mail, addressee only, if the care documented in the record was provided under circumstances in which an adult was not required to consent to the treatment. For example, if the minor is treated for or advised about drug abuse, alcoholism, venereal disease, pregnancy, or contraception, is treated or examined for alleged rape or sexual assault, or receives medical screening and physical examination in a detention center, then the minor must be notified. If the minor had an abortion and parental notice for the abortion was waived because the minor patient met the criteria outlined in Section 20-103(c) of the Health General-Article, the minor must be notified by certified mail, addressee only.

Q: How do I notify my patient of the disposal or destruction of medical records?

A: You must send notice by first-class mail to the patient's last known address, including the date that the patient's record will be destroyed, and instruct the patient that the record, or a summary of the record, may be retrieved at a designated location within 30 days of the proposed date of destruction.

Q: Who maintains the medical records upon my death, surrender of license, or discontinuation of my practice? And what are their responsibilities?

A: Once your practice closes, the records must be maintained by another health care provider, the administrator of your estate, or a designee who has agreed to maintain the records. The new custodian of records must write to the applicable health occupations board (physicians must notify the Board of Physicians) that the records will be maintained in compliance with state law. In pursuing the destruction of the records, the new custodian, after the required five (5) year period has elapsed, must provide the patients with the proper notice for destruction or publish a notice in the daily newspaper with the proposed date of destruction, and location where records can be obtained, for patients desiring to retain their own medical records.

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Additionally, the Board advanced its position that an established set of objective criteria needs to be applied when considering potential licensure for any given health-related profession, which is an approach already adopted by many other states. The Board will begin using those criteria in conducting or participating in several studies during the interim period.

It has been a challenging and busy session, and it was truly my pleasure to work with our dedicated Board members and staff, representatives in both the House and Senate, and to receive guidance, assistance, and support from so many different resources. I especially want to acknowledge the leadership of Board Chair Dr. Andrea Mathias, with whom I spent countless hours reviewing legislation, meeting with legislators, preparing and presenting testimony at hearings and work sessions, and delivering the Board's position and new approach in many different areas. Her dedication of so much valuable and uncompensated time was crucial to the Board's success in this legislative session, and all of us are extremely grateful for all of her efforts.

Now we turn to the work ahead, and hope that everyone enjoys a happy and safe Spring season.

Best regards,

Carole J. Catalfo, Executive Director

Renewals

Online Renewal for Physician Assistants and Athletic Trainers

<u>Profession</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>	<u>Renewal Period</u>	<u>Renewal Fee</u>
Physician Assistants	6/30/2013	5/6/2013 – 6/30/2013	\$186*
Athletic Trainers	9/30/2013	8/5/2013 – 9/30/2013	\$161

Renewal notices, in the form of a postcard, will be mailed one to three weeks prior to the beginning of the renewal season. Licensees should make sure the Board has the most current address. To update your address, go to the Board's website at <https://www.mbp.state.md.us/bpqapp/>. Go to box that asks, "Are you a licensed practitioner and need to create/edit your profile?"

Continuing Education

Unless this is a first renewal, physician assistants (PAs) are required to attest that they have earned at least 50 category I continuing education hours, eight of which must be pharmacology. Note: Physician assistants are subject to a random audit. If you receive a popup box while renewing, you will be required to send the Board documentation of continuing education.

Since this is the first renewal for athletic trainers (ATs), there is no continuing education requirement.

Tax liability

Licensees identified by the Office of the Comptroller as owing taxes will receive a letter from the Board four to six weeks before the renewal cycle begins. Tax issues or questions must be resolved with the Office of the Comptroller before a licensee will be allowed to renew. The number will be in the letter.

License Expiration

Licensees who allow their licenses to expire are required to reinstate it in order to continue practicing. If the license expires, delegation agreements for PAs and evaluation and treatment protocols for ATs become invalid.

In addition to reinstating the license, a PA will be required to complete and submit a new delegation agreement with the \$200 fee. ATs will be required to complete and submit a new evaluation and treatment protocol with the \$100 fee.

Licensees practicing without a license and a valid delegation agreement (PAs) or an evaluation and treatment protocol (ATs) may be fined up to \$5,000. *The fee includes a \$25 rehabilitation fee.

LICENSURE OF POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNOLOGISTS AND PERFUSIONISTS

The Board will begin licensing polysomnographic technologists and perfusionists on October 1, 2013. Applications for polysomnographic technologists are on the Board's website at <http://www.mbp.state.md.us/pages/forms.html>.

For more information about the licensure requirements for polysomnography, go to the Board's website at http://www.mbp.state.md.us/pages/polysom_info.html

Perfusionists

Look for information about licensure requirements and applications for licensure in July 2013.

Notice on Cultural Competency Primer

The Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities (MHHD) is pleased to share news about the "Cultural Competency and Health Literacy Primer: A Guide for Teaching Health Professionals and Students".

MHHD has been working in partnership with the University of Maryland, School of Public Health, since 2011 to develop the Primer. The free resource guide provides health professional educators access to teaching tools intended to improve learners' cross-cultural communications skills, delivery of culturally and linguistically-appropriate healthcare services to diverse populations, and development of programs and policies to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities. Over 200 tools are provided through Web links to sample course curricula, self-guided learning resources, case studies, and clinical application resources.

The Primer can be accessed at the following website:
<http://dhmh.maryland.gov/mhhd/CCHLP/>





Abeda Ali-Khan, M.D.,
License #: D43323 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Columbia, MD)
 Termination of probationary terms and
 conditions imposed by the Consent
 Order dated February 2, 2011. The
 physician has complied with the terms
 and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: December 6, 2012

Andrea R. Alterwitz, RCP,
License #: L05876 Area of Practice:
 Respiratory Care (Cockeysville, MD)
 Administrative fine of \$500. The
 practitioner practiced respiratory care
 without a license in violation of Md. Code
 Ann. Health Occ §14-5A-20.
 Date of Action: December 20, 2012

Josette W. Bianchine, M.D.,
License #: D00605 Area of Practice:
 Pediatrics Consent Order dated January
 28, 1991 is vacated due to the death
 of the Respondent.
 Date of Action: December 26, 2012

Michael A. Basco, M.D.,
License #: D72935 Area of Practice:
 OB/GYN (Frederick, MD) Reprimand.
 The Board took reciprocal action based
 upon the physician's reprimand by the
 Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine.
 Date of Action: December 27, 2012

Edward P. Costlow, Jr., M.D.,
License #: D19503 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Timonium, MD)
 Termination of probationary terms and
 conditions imposed by the Consent
 Order dated September 28, 2000. The
 physician has complied with the terms
 and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: December 6, 2012

Roger Felix, M.D.,
License #: D55181 Area of Practice:
 Family Medicine (Laurel, MD)
 Reprimand; Restricted License: the
 physician may only examine or treat a
 female patient in the presence of a
 chaperone. The Board took a reciprocal
 action based upon the physician's
 suspension by the New York State Board
 of Professional Medical Conduct.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

David J. Fischer, M.D.,
License #: D02923 Area of Practice:
 Psychiatry (Washington, DC) Reprimand;
 Probation for a minimum of 2
 years with terms and conditions.
 Physician is prohibited from prescribing
 to family members except on a short
 term basis. The Board found that the
 physician engaged in unprofessional
 conduct in the practice of medicine, that
 the physician failed to meet the standard

of care and failed to keep adequate
 medical records in six patients peer
 reviewed.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

James R. Frede, M.D.,
License #: D70303 Area of Practice:
 OB/GYN (Kalhului, HI) Surrender for
 five years and until reinstated in the
 State of Utah. The Board took
 reciprocal action based upon the
 physician's surrender by the Utah
 Division of Occupational and
 Professional Licensing.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Michael Freedman, M.D.,
License #: D52245 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Annapolis, MD)
 Summary Suspension of November
 15, 2012 is terminated. Suspension
 for a minimum of five months with
 terms and conditions. The Board
 determined that the physician is guilty
 of immoral and unprofessional conduct
 in the practice of medicine; fraudulently
 or deceptively used a license; is
 professionally, physically, or mentally
 incompetent; habitually is intoxicated;
 is addicted to, or habitually abuses,
 any narcotic or controlled dangerous
 substance, provided professional
 services while using any narcotic or
 controlled dangerous substance and
 willfully made a false representation
 when seeking or making application
 for licensure or any other application
 related to the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Abolghassem-m-Gohari, M.D.,
License #: D18165 Area of Practice:
 OB/GYN (Berwyn Heights, MD)
 Reprimand; Fine of \$10,000 payable
 within one year; Probation for a
 minimum of 1 year with terms and con-
 ditions. The Board found that the
 physician engaged in unprofessional
 conduct in the practice of medicine,
 practiced medicine with an unauthor-
 ized person or aided an unauthorized
 person in the practice of medicine and
 delegated acts to an assistant beyond
 the scope of delegation.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Joel L. Goozh, M.D.,
License #: D16495 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Bethesda, MD)
 Reprimand; Probation for a period of
 two years with terms and conditions.
 The physician is prohibited from (1)
 practicing pain management medicine
 (2) dispensing or prescribing any
 opiate medications to any patient or
 individual for longer than three days
 and only in an emergency situation,

(3) treating patients for ADD or ADHD.
 The Board found that the physician
 failed to meet the standard of care and
 failed to keep adequate medical
 records in six patients peer reviewed.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Donald J. Hayes, M.D.,
License #: D20985 Area of Practice:
 Family Practice (Catonsville, MD)
 Suspension; Immediately stayed;
 Probation for a minimum of three
 years with terms and conditions. The
 Board found that the physician violated
 the terms and conditions imposed
 under the Consent Order dated June
 25, 2009, failed to meet the standard
 of care and failed to keep adequate
 medical records in six patients peer
 reviewed.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

David M. Heydt, M.D.,
License #: D71698 Area of Practice:
 Anatomic Pathology (Davidsonville,
 MD) Summary Suspension. The
 Board determined that the physician's
 conduct constituted a substantial
 likelihood of a risk of serious harm to
 the public health, safety and welfare.
 Date of Action: December 5, 2012

David M. Heydt, M.D.,
License #: D71698 Area of Practice:
 Anatomic Pathology (Davidsonville,
 MD) Summary Suspension of
 December 5, 2012 is Affirmed. The
 Board determined that there exists a
 substantial likelihood of a risk of
 serious harm to the public health,
 safety and welfare in the physician's
 continued practice.
 Date of Action: December 28, 2012

Charlotte E. Hovey, M.D.,
License #: D67886 Area of Practice:
 Radiology (St. Johns, FL) Revocation.
 The Board took a reciprocal action
 based upon the physician's revocation
 by the Medical Board of California.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Daniel M. Howell, M.D.,
License #: D02975 Area of Practice:
 Family Practice (Hollywood, MD)
 Termination of probationary terms
 and conditions imposed by the
 Consent Order dated October 28,
 2009. The physician has complied
 with the terms and conditions
 precedent.
 Date of Action: December 5, 2012



James H. Hudson, Jr., M.D.,
Applicant Area of Practice: Anatomic Pathology (Valdosta, GA) Application for Licensure is granted; Probation with terms and conditions (effective until termination of Georgia Order). The Board took reciprocal action based upon a disciplinary action by the Maine Board of Medicine in which the physician was sanctioned based upon substance abuse issues.
 Date of Action: December 6, 2012

Allan L. Levy, M.D.,
License #: D32252 Area of Practice: Psychiatry (Frederick, MD) Reprimand; Probation for a period of two years with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician failed to meet the standard of care and failed to keep adequate medical records in twelve patients peer reviewed.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Frederique C. Medy, RCP,
License #: L01601 Area of Practice: Respiratory Care (Riverdale, MD) Suspension; until license reinstated by the D.C. Board of Respiratory Care. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the practitioner's suspension by the D.C. Board of Respiratory Care.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Lillie C. Miller, RCP,
License #: L01544 Area of Practice: Respiratory Care (Annapolis, MD) Suspension; until license reinstated by the D.C. Board of Respiratory Care. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the practitioner's suspension by the D.C. Board of Respiratory Care.
 Date of Action: December 27, 2012

Lillie C. Miller, RCP,
License #: L01544 Area of Practice: Respiratory Care (Annapolis, MD) Termination of Suspension issued by Consent Order dated December 27, 2012. License is reinstated.
 Date of Action: December 28, 2012

Ahmad Mossavi, M.D.,
License #: D43651 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Wayside, NJ) Suspension for three years with all but 6 months stayed; Probation with terms and conditions following suspension. The Board took a reciprocal action based upon the physician's suspension by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Shirley A. Olsen, M.D.,
License #: D35442 Area of Practice: Pediatrics (Potomac, MD) Termination of Suspension of November 16, 2012;

Probation for a minimum of two years with terms and conditions. The physician completed the terms and conditions of suspension. Probation for a minimum of two years with terms and conditions for the unauthorized practice of medicine and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: December 17, 2012

Sheo P. Sharma, M.D.,
License #: D22638 Area of Practice: OB/GYN (Owings Mills, MD) Termination of probationary terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated April 30, 2012. The physician has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: December 5, 2012

Daniel S. Smithpeter, M.D.,
License #: D50266 Area of Practice: Psychiatry (Salisbury, MD) Suspension stayed. The physician completed the terms and conditions of suspension.
 Date of Action: December 17, 2012

Hazel McGee Tape, M.D.,
License #: D22840 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Bowie, MD) Administrative fine of \$5,000. The physician affirmed in her 2011 renewal application that she had obtained the required CME credit hours when she had not.
 Date of Action: December 3, 2012

William E. Tiemann, M.D.,
License #: D65206 Area of Practice: Diagnostic Radiology (New Orleans, LA) Termination of probationary terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated June 25, 2009. The physician has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: December 5, 2012

Quang Ngoc Tu, M.D.,
License #: D30887 Area of Practice: Unspecified (Catonsville, MD) Reprimand; Fine of \$1950 payable within six months. The Board determined that the physician is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine and willfully made a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Paul Weiner, M.D.,
License #: D25664 Area of Practice: Diagnostic Radiology (Clinton, MD) Reprimand. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the physician's reprimand by the Virginia Board of Medicine.
 Date of Action: December 27, 2012

Minus George Vasiliades, M.D.,
License #: D64755 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Baltimore, MD) Summary Suspension of November 3, 2011 is terminated; Suspension for eighteen months from November 7, 2012 with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, is addicted to, or habitually abuses, any narcotic or controlled dangerous substance, willfully made or filed a false report or record in the practice of medicine and willfully made a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: December 19, 2012

Brian C. Wallace, M.D.,
License #: D31136 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Nottingham, MD) Termination of probationary terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated June 28, 2011. The physician has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: December 6, 2012

For The Month of January 2013

Zahid Aslam, M.D.,
License #: D60954 Area of Practice: OB/GYN (Elkton, MD) Reprimand; Probation for a minimum of twelve months with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician grossly overutilized health care services, failed to meet appropriate standards and failed to keep adequate medical records as determined by appropriate peer review.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

Diran Bezirdjian, M.D.,
License #: D36015 Area of Practice: Diagnostic Radiology (Richmond, VA) Reprimand. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the physician's reprimand by the Virginia Board of Medicine.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013





Shireen R. Collins, R.T.,
License #: R05854 Area of Practice:
 Radiography (Sharpsburg, MD)
 Suspension imposed by the Final
 Decision and Order Lifting Stay and
 Imposing Active Suspension of
 February 10, 2009 continues. The
 Board continued the suspension of the
 practitioner until demonstration of
 compliance with the conditions of the
 February 27, 2008 Consent Order.
 Date of Action: January 9, 2013

Thomas L. Fieldson, M.D.,
License #: D01923 Area of Practice:
 Family Practice (Waldorf, MD)
 Suspension of October 31, 2012 is
 lifted; Continuation of Probation under
 the Consent Order of September 22,
 2010. The physician complied with the
 terms of the Suspension of
 October 31, 2012.
 Date of Action: January 7, 2013

Joseph Finizio, M.D.,
License #: D14005 Area of Practice:
 Radiology (Clinton, MD) Reprimand.
 The Board took reciprocal action based
 upon the physician's reprimand by the
 Virginia Board of Medicine.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

Charles Martin, M.D.,
License #: D63733 Area of Practice:
 Unspecified (Mantono, IL) Reprimand.
 The Board took reciprocal action based
 upon the physician's reprimand by the
 Virginia Board of Medicine.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

M. Michael Massumi, M.D.,
License #: D32831 Area of Practice:
 Physical and Rehabilitation Medicine
 (Towson, MD) Suspension with terms
 and conditions for three months
 beginning ten days from the Order.
 After completion of Suspension,
 Probation for a minimum period of
 eighteen months with terms and
 conditions. The Board found that the
 physician is guilty of unprofessional
 conduct in the practice of medicine,
 failed to meet appropriate standards
 and failed to keep adequate medical
 records as determined by appropriate
 peer review. The Board dismissed the
 charge of grossly overutilizing health
 care services.
 Date of Action: January 17, 2013

Mark D. Mayle, M.D.,
License #: D50206 Area of Practice:
 Ophthalmology (Morgantown, WV)
 Termination of terms and conditions
 imposed by the Consent Order dated
 August 22, 2012. The physician has

complied with the terms and conditions
 precedent.
 Date of Action: January 29, 2013

Kevin E. McGovern, M.D.,
License #: D31922 Area of Practice:
 Orthopedic Surgery (Ellicott City, MD)
 Reprimand; Fine of \$10,000 payable
 within 3 months; Probation for a
 minimum of two years with terms and
 conditions. The Board found that the
 physician failed to meet the standard
 of care in three patients reviewed and
 failed to keep adequate medical records
 in six patients reviewed.
 Date of Action: January 16, 2013

Eric Moolchan, M.D.,
License #: D39506 Area of Practice:
 Pediatrics (Cambridge, MA) Administra-
 tive fine of \$1,700; terms and conditions.
 The physician affirmed in his 2011
 renewal application that he had obtained
 the required CME credit hours when he
 had not.
 Date of Action: January 29, 2013

Okechukwu Nwodim, D.O.,
License #: H58158 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Towson, MD)
 Termination of probationary terms and
 conditions imposed by Consent Order
 dated December 16, 2009. The
 physician has complied with the terms
 and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: January 7, 2013

Gilead Segev, M.D.,
License #: D60984 Area of Practice:
 Unspecified (Alexandria, VA) Reprimand.
 The Board took reciprocal action based
 upon the physician's reprimand by the
 New York State Board for Professional
 Medical Conduct.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

Ajit Shah, M.D.,
License #: D34428 Area of Practice:
 Unspecified (Takoma Park, MD)
 Administrative fine of \$5,000; terms and
 conditions. The physician affirmed in his
 2011 renewal application that he had
 obtained the required CME credit hours
 when he had not.
 Date of Action: January 29, 2013

Timothy T. Smith, AT,
License #: A00340 Area of Practice:
 Athletic Trainer (Baltimore, MD)
 Permanent Letter of Surrender. The
 practitioner decided to surrender his
 license to avoid further discipline.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

Robert J. Vissing, M.D.,
License #: D33897 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Baltimore, MD)

Reprimand; Board-approved course in
 Coumadin therapy within one year.
 The Board found that the physician
 failed to meet the standard of care in
 one patient reviewed.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

Robert J. Wagner, Jr., D.O.,
License #: H61922 Area of Practice:
 Surgery (Clinton, MD) Reprimand;
 Probation for a minimum of three years
 with terms and conditions. The Board
 found that the physician failed to meet
 the standard of care in five patients
 peer reviewed.
 Date of Action: January 31, 2013

Bruce E. Weneck, M.D.,
License No.: D22698 Area of
 Practice: Pediatrics (Hagerstown, MD)
 Reprimand, Fine of \$15,000 payable
 within one year; Probation for a
 minimum of three years with terms
 and conditions. The physician shall
 permanently cease providing
 Suboxone/Subutex therapy to patients
 effective February 1, 2013. The Board
 found that the physician is guilty of
 unprofessional conduct in the practice
 of medicine, practiced medicine with
 an unauthorized person or aided an
 unauthorized person in the practice
 of medicine, failed to meet
 appropriate standards, failed to keep
 adequate medical records as
 determined by appropriate peer
 review and impermissibly delegated
 acts to a non-licensed assistant in
 violation of COMAR.
 Date of Action: January 23, 2013

For The Month of February 2013

Andrea Alterwitz, RCP,
License #: L05876 Area of Practice:
 Respiratory Care MD) Termination of
 terms and conditions imposed by the
 Consent Agreement dated December
 20, 2012. The practitioner has
 complied with the terms and conditions
 precedent.
 Date of Action: February 13, 2013

Sharon Balanson, M.D.,
License #: D55157 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Baltimore, MD)
 Reprimand; Probation until terms and
 conditions are met. The Board found
 that the physician failed to meet the
 standard of care.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013



Edwin H. Bellis, M.D.,
License #: D28587 Area of Practice:
 Unspecified (Salisbury, MD) Permanent
 Letter of Surrender. The physician
 decided to surrender his license to
 avoid further discipline.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

Manjula P. Borge, M.D.,
License #: D66257 Area of Practice:
 Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
 (Cambridge, MD) Reprimand, Probation
 for 18 months with terms and conditions.
 The Board found that the physician is
 guilty of unprofessional conduct in the
 practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

Peter J. Bruger, P.A.,
License #: C03868 Area of Practice:
 Physician Assistant (Fruitland, MD)
 Summary Suspension. The Board
 determined that the practitioner's
 conduct constituted a substantial
 likelihood of a risk of serious harm to
 the public health, safety and welfare.
 Date of Action: February 12, 2013

Peter J. Bruger, P.A.,
License #: C03868 Area of Practice:
 Physician Assistant (Fruitland, MD)
 Summary Suspension of February 12,
 2013 is affirmed. The Board determined
 that there exists a substantial likelihood
 of a risk of serious harm to the public
 health, safety and welfare in the
 practitioner's continued practice.
 Date of Action: February 28, 2013

Karen Carr,
Unlicensed Location: (Baltimore, MD)
 Termination of terms and conditions im-
 posed by the Final Decision and Order
 dated November 9, 2012. The individual
 has complied with the terms and
 conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: February 21, 2013

David Charles, M.D.,
License #: D54843 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine (Rockville, MD)
 Termination of terms and conditions
 imposed by the Consent Order dated
 October 25, 2012. The physician has
 complied with the terms and conditions
 precedent.
 Date of Action: February 13, 2013

William Dando, M.D.,
License #: D50835 Area of Practice:
 Family Medicine (Catonsville, MD)
 Termination of probationary terms and
 conditions imposed by the Consent
 Order dated April 28, 2010. The
 physician has complied with the terms
 and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: February 7, 2013

Dino J. Delaportas, M.D.,
License #: D26523 Area of Practice:
 Internal Medicine and Infectious
 Disease (Hagerstown, MD) Reprimand;
 Within six months, the
 physician shall take and successfully
 complete a Board-approved course in
 medical record-keeping. The Board
 found that the physician failed to meet
 the standard of care and failed to
 keep adequate medical records.
 Date of Action: February 25, 2013

Thomas B. Fioretti, M.D.,
License #: D40836 Area of Practice:
 OB/GYN (Dagsboro, DE) Revocation.
 The Board determined that the
 physician violated the terms of his
 Consent Order of March 23, 2011.
 Date of Action: February 11, 2013

Mary Furth, M.D.,
License #: D01102 Area of Practice:
 Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
 (Towson, MD) Permanent Letter of
 Surrender. The physician decided to
 permanently surrender her license for
 health reasons.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

Ross L. Goldstein, M.D.,
Applicant Area of Practice:
 (Freehold, NJ) The Board's
 November 14, 2012 Denial of
 Application for Initial Medical Licen-
 sure is vacated. The Board granted
 the physician's motion for reconsid-
 eration and has vacated the
 November 14, 2012 Denial of
 Application for Initial Medical
 Licensure.
 Date of Action: February 20, 2013

Jose Gonzalez, M.D.,
License #: D30953 Area of Practice:
 Pediatrics (Eldersburg, MD) Fine of
 \$2,000 payable within thirty days.
 The Board found that the physician
 engaged in unprofessional conduct in
 the practice of medicine and failed to
 cooperate with a lawful investigation.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

John P. Hakim, M.D.,
License #: D47748 Area of Practice:
 Cardiology (Clinton, MD) Termination
 of probationary terms and conditions
 imposed by the Consent Order dated
 November 18, 2010. The physician
 has complied with the terms and
 conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: February 8, 2013

James H. Hudson, Jr., M.D.,
License #: D75213 Area of
 Practice: Anatomic Pathology
 (Valdosta, GA) Termination of
 probationary terms and conditions
 imposed by the Consent Order
 dated December 6, 2012. The
 physician has complied with the
 terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: February 8, 2013.

Nelson Kohn, M.D.,
License #: D45709 Area of
 Practice: Physical Medicine &
 Rehabilitation (Baltimore, MD)
 Summary Suspension of September
 25, 2012 is terminated. Letter of
 Surrender. The physician decided to
 surrender his license to resolve the
 Summary Suspension of September
 25, 2012. The physician was
 charged on October 24, 2012 with
 immoral and unprofessional conduct
 in the practice of medicine based on
 sexual misconduct with a patient;
 unprofessional conduct based on
 anger management issues with
 regard to the physician's conduct
 in a hospital setting and two practice
 settings and with standard of care
 issues related to six patients
 reviewed by peer reviewers.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

Ki N. Lee, M.D.,
License #: D23473 Area of
 Practice: Anesthesiology (Wheaton,
 MD) Termination of Probationary
 terms and conditions imposed by the
 Consent Order dated October 28,
 1998. The physician has complied
 with the terms and conditions
 precedent.
 Date of Action: February 22, 2013

John Lodmell, M.D.,
License #: D05809 Area of
 Practice: Internal Medicine (Olney,
 MD) Permanent Letter of Surrender.
 The physician decided to surrender
 his license to avoid further discipline.
 Date of Action: February 28, 2013

Michael J. Moriarty, M.D.,
License #: D39038 Area of
 Practice: Internal Medicine and
 Rheumatology (Baltimore, MD)
 Revocation. The Board found that
 the physician provided professional
 services while using a controlled
 dangerous substance and by doing
 so, is guilty of unprofessional
 conduct in the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: February 15, 2013



Michael J. Mullen, M.D.,
License #: D58294 Area of Practice: OB/GYN (Easton, MD) Reprimand; Probation for a minimum of one year with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician failed to meet the standard of care.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

Richard B. Perry, M.D.,
License #: D09573 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Chevy Chase, MD) Administrative fine of \$1,800; terms and conditions. The physician affirmed in his 2011 renewal application that he had obtained the required CME credit hours when he had not.
 Date of Action: February 22, 2013

Claudia Rivera,
Unlicensed Location: (Silver Spring, MD) Termination of terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated May 24, 2012. The individual has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: February 11, 2013

Tina M. Robertson,
Unlicensed Location: (Prince Frederick, MD) Termination of terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated September 22, 2010. The individual has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: February 21, 2013

Helena Stefan,
Unlicensed Location: (Rockville, MD) Cease and Desist from engaging in the unauthorized practice of medicine and misrepresenting herself as a practitioner of medicine. The Board found that the individual practiced, attempted to practice, or offered to practice medicine in Maryland without a license and unlawfully represented to the public that she was authorized to practice medicine in Maryland.
 Date of Action: February 13, 2013

Ian Sunshine, M.D.,
License #: D15140 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Baltimore, MD) Reprimand; Fine of \$5000 payable within 18 months; Probation for a minimum of 18 months with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician engaged in unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine and practiced medicine with an unauthorized person or aided an unauthorized person in the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: February 27, 2013

N. David Tzou, M.D.,
License #: D50880 Area of Practice:

Internal Medicine and Pain Management (Gaithersburg, MD) Summary Suspension of September 24, 2012 is terminated; Suspension for a minimum of one year with terms and conditions; The physician shall terminate his pain management practice. After completion of Suspension, Probation for a minimum of three years with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, is professionally, physically or mentally incompetent, and sold, prescribed, gave away or administered drugs for illegal or illegitimate medical purposes.
 Date of Action: February 4, 2013

For The Month of March 2013

Daniel R. Alexander, M.D.,
License #: D52815 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine & Clinical Pathology (Pikesville, MD) Suspension is terminated; Probation for a minimum of three (3) years with terms and conditions. The Board determined that the physician complied with the conditions of the suspension. Probation for three (3) years with terms and conditions. The physician is prohibited from practicing pain management.
 Date of Action: March 27, 2013

Peter J. Bruger, P.A.,
License #: C03868 Area of Practice: Physician Assistant (Fruitland, MD) Revocation for a minimum of one year. The Board determined that the practitioner violated the terms of his probation order of August 8, 2011.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

Emma A. Caligtan, M.D.,
License #: D17898 Area of Practice: Anesthesiology (Great Falls, VA) Reprimand. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the practitioner's disciplinary action taken by the Virginia Board of Medicine.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

Robert P. Cathor, P.A.,
License #: C03518 Area of Practice: Physician Assistant (Hagerstown, MD) Suspension for a minimum of ninety days with terms and conditions. The Board found that the practitioner fraudulently or deceptively used a license, is guilty of immoral and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, willfully made or filed a false report or record in the practice of medicine, is addicted to, or habitually abuses, any narcotic or controlled

dangerous substance and prescribed, gave away or administered drugs for illegal or illegitimate medical purposes.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

Robert Chou, M.D.,
License #: D67040 Area of Practice: Internal Medicine (Cumberland, MD) Summary Suspension of November 16, 2012 is terminated. Suspension for a minimum of one year with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician fraudulently or deceptively obtained or attempted to obtain a license, is guilty of immoral and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, is professionally, physically or mentally incompetent, habitually is intoxicated, provided professional services while under the influence of alcohol, willfully filed a false report or record in the practice of medicine and willfully made a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

Barry J. Cohen, M.D., License #:
D37723 Area of Practice: Plastic Surgery (Rockville, MD) Reprimand; Chart review in six months. The Board found that the physician failed to keep adequate medical records.
 Date of Action: March 25, 2013

Iradj Dadgar, M.D.,
License #: D14827 Area of Practice: General Surgery (Rockville, MD) Termination of probationary terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated March 25, 2010. The physician has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

Raymond Drapkin, M.D.,
License #: D15669 Area of Practice: Orthopedic Surgery (Ellicott City, MD) Permanent Letter of Surrender effective May 10, 2013. The physician decided to surrender his license to avoid further discipline.
 Date of Action: March 15, 2013

Mark R. Geier, M.D.,
License #: D24250 Area of Practice: Genetic Counseling (Silver Spring, MD) Amended Cease and Desist Order of February 22, 2012 is terminated as moot. The Board did not find that Dr. Mark Geier practiced medicine while suspended.
 Date of Action: March 22, 2013



Juan C. Gutierrez, M.D.,
Applicant Area of Practice: Unspecified (Miami, FL) Application for Licensure is granted with Probation for a minimum of three years with terms and conditions. The Board determined that the physician is granted a license with the imposition of conditions that include abiding by the terms and conditions of the contract with the Florida physician rehabilitation program.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

David M. Heydt, M.D.,
License #: D71698 Area of Practice: Anatomic Pathology (Davidsonville, MD) Summary Suspension of December 5, 2012 is terminated. Suspension for a minimum of six months to commence on December 5, 2012 with terms and conditions. The Board determined that the physician violated the Disposition Agreement of December 6, 2010 and is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

David Holley, RCP,
License Number: L00873 Area of Practice: Respiratory Care (Gaithersburg, MD) Revocation. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the practitioner's disciplinary action taken by the District of Columbia Board of Respiratory Care.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

Charles J. Kessler, M.D.,
License #: D77675 Area of Practice: Pediatric Medicine (Gaithersburg, MD) Summary Suspension of November 15, 2012 is terminated. Revocation for a minimum of three years. The Board found that the physician fraudulently or deceptively obtained or attempted to obtain a license, is guilty of immoral and unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, willfully filed a false report or record in the practice of medicine, willfully made a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine, was subject to investigation or disciplinary action by a licensing authority and surrendered his license issued by another state.
 Date of Action: March 20, 2013

Mark N. Mollenhauer, M.D.,
License #: D42846 Area of Practice: Psychiatry (Bethesda, MD) Suspension for six months with all but thirty days stayed; Upon reinstatement, Probation for a minimum of two years with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine and violated the Board's regulations regarding sexual violation, sexual impropriety and sexual misconduct.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

Eric Moolchan, M.D.,
License #: D39506 Area of Practice: Pediatrics (Cambridge, MA) Termination of terms and conditions imposed by the Consent Order dated January 29, 2013. The physician has complied with the terms and conditions precedent.
 Date of Action: March 27, 2013

Nina Mosley, RCP,
License #: L01405 Area of Practice: Respiratory Care (Greenville, SC) Suspension. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the practitioner's disciplinary action taken by the District of Columbia Board of Respiratory Care.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

Okenwa R. Nwosu, M.D.,
License #: D27120 Area of Practice: General Practice (Landover, MD) Suspension is terminated; Probation for a minimum of two (2) years with terms and conditions. The Board determined that the physician complied with the conditions of the suspension. Probation for two (2) years with terms and conditions. The physician is prohibited from evaluating, examining or treating any individual under 16 years of age.
 Date of Action: March 27, 2013

Laurie J. Poss, M.D.,
License #: D32567 Area of Practice: General & Addictions Medicine (Annapolis, MD) Summary Suspension of October 31, 2012 is affirmed. The Board determined that there exists a substantial likelihood of a risk of serious harm to the public health, safety and welfare in the physician's continued practice.
 Date of Action: March 4, 2013

Stephen Rockower, M.D.,
License #: D25185 Area of Practice: Orthopedic Surgery (Rockville, MD) Administrative fine of \$525; terms and conditions. The physician affirmed in his 2011 renewal application that he had obtained the required CME credit hours when he had not.
 Date of Action: March 18, 2013

Sheo P. Sharma, M.D.,
License #: D22638 Area of Practice: OB/GYN (Owings Mills, MD) Reprimand; Probation for a minimum of eighteen months with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician failed to meet the standard of care and failed to keep adequate medical records.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

Ritchie C. Shoemaker, M.D.,
License #: D24924 Area of Practice: Family Medicine (Pocomoke City, MD) Reprimand; Should the physician resume the practice of medicine, the physician will be placed on Probation for a minimum of two years with terms and conditions. The Board found that the physician failed to meet the standard of care.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

Gregory L. Taylor, M.D.,
License #: D27556 Area of Practice: Unspecified (Finksburg, MD) Summary Suspension of November 15, 2012 is terminated. Permanent Revocation. The Board found the physician is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, is addicted to, or habitually abuses, any narcotic or controlled dangerous substance and prescribed, gave away or administered drugs for illegal or illegitimate medical purposes.
 Date of Action: March 1, 2013

Priscilla Weatherall, RCP,
License #: L04082 Area of Practice: Respiratory Care (Denton, MD) Suspension until such time as her license is reinstated by the District of Columbia Board of Respiratory Care. The Board took reciprocal action based upon the practitioner's disciplinary action taken by the District of Columbia Board of Respiratory Care.
 Date of Action: March 21, 2013

John L. Young, M.D.,
License #: D23121 Area of Practice: OB/GYN (Rockville, MD) Summary Suspension of February 13, 2013 is Affirmed. The Board determined that there exists a substantial likelihood of a risk of serious harm to the public health, safety and welfare in the physician's continued practice.
 Date of Action: March 28, 2013



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Pursuant [Section 10-119.3](#) of the Family Law Article of the Maryland Annotated Code and the statewide Child Support Enforcement Program administered by the Child Support Enforcement Administration ("CSEA"), a unit within the Maryland Department of Human Resources, the Board of Physicians is required to suspend the license of any licensee or to deny a license to any applicant who is in arrears on child support obligations, upon notification by the CSEA that the licensee or applicant owes child support payments. The Board shall send written notice of the proposed action to the individual whose license is subject to suspension or denial, including notice of the individual's right to contest, in writing, the proposed suspension or denial on the basis of mistaken identity. In accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, an individual whose license is suspended or an applicant who is denied a license may also appeal the Board's decision solely on the issue of mistaken identity. Once notified by the CSEA that the license should be reinstated, the Board is required to immediately reinstate a suspended license, or process an application for any license denied, as long as the individual otherwise qualifies for the license.

