

# Maryland Board of Physicians

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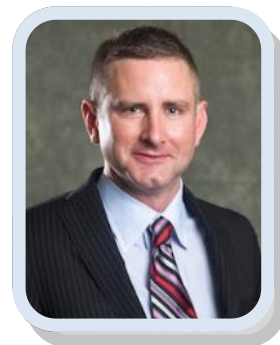
Damean W.E. Freas, D.O., Board Chair  
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## Board Welcomes New Members

The Board is pleased to announce that it has several new members who were appointed by Governor Larry Hogan. Damean W.E. Freas, D.O. of Anne Arundel County serves as the new Board Chair, succeeding Devinder Singh, M.D. Dr. Freas also is the new Panel B chair.

Arun Bhandari, M.D. is the new chair of Panel A. The other new Board members are: Jacek Mostwin, M.D.; Kevin Damien Pereira, M.D.; Martha Schaerr (consumer member); Thomas M. Walsh, M.D.; and Moody D. Wharam, Jr., M.D. The Board appreciates their willingness to devote their time and effort to serving on the Board.

The Board also would like to extend its appreciation to Dr. Singh and the other departing members for their years of outstanding service.



**Board Chair**  
**Damean W.E. Freas, D.O.**

## Board Begins Licensing Naturopathic Doctors

The Board began licensing naturopathic doctors (NDs) on March 1, 2016. As of June 15, 2016, 19 NDs had been issued a license to practice in Maryland. NDs are the newest allied health occupation to come under the Board's jurisdiction.

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Board Chair Damean W.E. Freas, D.O. is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and also holds an MBA from Saint Joseph's University. He is the CEO of Kure Pain Management, a regional physician practice and surgery center company focusing exclusively on pain management.

Dr. Freas is an active member of the medical staff at Anne Arundel Medical Center. He has memberships in several civic organizations and professional and scientific societies, including the American Medical Association, American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians, and Maryland State Medical Society.

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are not intended to provide standards of practice.***

# 2016 Legislative Session

During the 2016 legislative session, more than 2,800 legislative bills and resolutions were considered by the General Assembly of Maryland. The following is a summary of bills affecting the Board that PASSED this year:

## SB 217 - Chapter 178

*State Board of Physicians – Distribution of Fees by Comptroller – Loan Assistance Repayment for Physicians and Physician Assistants.* The Board planned to introduce this legislation; however, MedChi introduced the bill and we worked together to pass SB 217. Since 1993, the Board has been subject to an annual 12% assessment of revenues if the Governor did not put money in the budget to support two grant programs: The Loan Assistance Repayment Program (LARP) and the Health Personnel Shortage Incentive Grant (HPSIG). Each grant program was allotted 6%, and the Maryland Higher Education Commission administered the grants. SB 217 repeals the funding for HPSIG and amends the assessment to continue to support the LARP program.

## SB 411 / HB 1494 - Chapters 385 & 386

*Income Tax – Credit for Preceptors in Areas With Health Care Workforce Shortages.* The bills authorize an income tax credit for individuals who serve as preceptors working in rural and health care workforce shortage areas. This is a six-year pilot program that for physician preceptors is supported by the unspent HPSIG funds.

## SB 605 / HB 232 - Chapters 411 & 412

*Athletic Trainers – Evaluation and Treatment Protocols – Approval.* The bills allow an athletic trainer to assume duties under an evaluation and treatment protocol after receiving a written recommendation of approval from the Athletic Trainer Advisory Committee, as long as it does not include specialized tasks or the specialized tasks have been previously approved by the Board.

## SB 806 - Chapter 700

*State Board of Physicians – Naturopathic Doctors – Establishment of Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council and Naturopathic Formulary.* This proposal establishes a Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council (Council) within the Board. The Council is to develop and recommend to the Board a formulary for use by licensed naturopathic doctors. With a few exceptions (oxygen, autoinjectable epinephrine, diaphragms, and cervical caps), the formulary may not include prescription drugs or devices or controlled substances.

## SB 1020 / HB 998 - Chapters 460 & 461

*State Board of Physicians – Physician Licensing Reciprocity.* The bills authorize the Board to adopt regulations to license an applicant from another jurisdiction if the licensure requirements are determined to be substantially equivalent to Maryland and the applicant is in good standing in the other jurisdiction.

## HB 104 - Chapter 474

*Medical Cannabis – Written Certifications – Certifying Providers.* This bill authorizes dentists, podiatrists, and certain registered nurses to be “certifying providers” – along with physicians – under the State’s medical cannabis program. The bill subjects these certifying providers to the same processes for registration, restrictions, and protections that are required for certifying physicians under current law. The bill replaces “certifying physician” with “certifying provider” throughout the [Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Cannabis Commission](#) statute.

## HB 119 - Chapter 94

*State Board of Physicians – Licensing Exemption – Physicians With Traveling Athletic and Sports Teams.* This bill creates an exception for physicians from Maryland licensure requirements if they have an active, unrestricted license in another jurisdiction, reside in another jurisdiction, and are designated as a team physician by an athletic or sports team based outside the State. Such physicians are limited to treating only the team’s members, band members, cheerleading squad, mascot, coaches, and other staff traveling with the team.

## HB 185 - Chapter 99

*State Board of Physicians – Licensed Physicians – Continuing Education Requirements.* This bill prohibits the Board from establishing a continuing education requirement that every licensed physician must complete a specific course or program as a condition of license renewal.

## HB 437 - Chapter 147

*Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Prescription Drug Monitoring Program – Modifications.* The bill requires prescribers and all pharmacists to register with the [Prescription Drug Monitoring Program](#) (PDMP) by July 1, 2017, and before registering, to complete a training course developed by the [Department of Health and Mental Hygiene](#). Beginning July 1, 2018, prescribers and pharmacists are required to request and assess prescription monitoring data under specific criteria. The bill allows a registered prescriber to utilize a “prescriber delegate” to access PDMP data. Prescribers and pharmacists are subject to disciplinary action by the appropriate licensing entity for failure to comply with the bill’s mandatory registration and use requirements. The PDMP may review prescription monitoring data for indications of a possible violation of law or a possible breach of professional standards by a prescriber or dispenser.

# Licensure News

## Paperless Licensure Renewal

The Board is now offering paperless licensure in an effort to make the renewal process faster and easier for practitioners. In lieu of the Board mailing a paper license, a licensee can download and print his or her own renewed license.

A licensee who pays by credit card will be able to print the new license at the end of the online renewal application. Or, the licensee can return to the renewal system later to print the license, as well as a copy of the application and receipt.

For a licensee paying by check or money order, once the payment has been processed, the Board will send e-mail notification with a link to allow the licensee to retrieve and print the license.

A licensee who has renewed can return to the system anytime during a window of nearly two years. For example, respiratory care practitioners renewed their licenses this year from April 4 through May 30; those who completed the renewal process can return to the system to print their licenses until April 1, 2018.

As a reminder, any licensee who fails to renew by a license expiration date must apply for reinstatement.

## New Online Verification of Licensure System

Effective March 30, 2016, the Board launched a new online [license verification](#) system, allowing licensees to request verification of licensure/letter of good standing via the [Board's Website](#). Once the online verification request is completed, the license verification will be immediately e-mailed to the state board requesting the verification.

Fees for verification are payable online by credit card only (Visa, MasterCard, or American Express) and fees remain unchanged (\$50 for physician verifications and \$25 for allied health verifications).

During the transition from paper verifications to electronic verifications, the Board will continue to accept paper requests until July 1, 2016. After July 1, 2016, the Board will not accept paper verification requests. The Board will return paper requests with payment (check or money order) to the sender and will discard paper requests without accompanying payment.

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## Update on Criminal History Records Checks

During the 2015 legislative session, the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation that requires Board of Physicians' **applicants and licensees** to submit to Criminal History Records Checks (CHRCs) as a qualification for licensure. The legislation also created new grounds for disciplinary action if a licensee fails to submit to a required CHRC.

October 1, 2016 will be the date of implementation for all license renewals; therefore, a CHRC is not required for any licensee renewing a license **on or before September 30, 2016**. For example, September 30, 2016 marks the last date that a physician who is eligible for renewal this year can renew without a background check. **A physician who fails to renew by the date of license expiration will need to apply for reinstatement with a background check.**

Please monitor the [Board's CHRC Web page](#) for notices and updates including the licensure application.



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## Licensure News (continued)

### Updating Practitioner Profiles

All licensed practitioners can edit their demographic information through the online practitioner profile on the Board's Website. Licensees can update their nonpublic, primary practice, and public addresses, and they can add postgraduate training programs or specialty board certifications. Self-designated practice areas also can be added or removed.

The Board requests that practitioners **update their e-mail addresses via the Website**. This will assist the Board in communicating more efficiently through electronic means. Updated profiles also provide important public information for consumers. Board research indicates that approximately 60% of licensees who are eligible to update their profiles have never done so. "Eligible" licensees include individuals with a license status of active, probation, or inactive.

Please note that the Board no longer processes paper or e-mail requests for address changes. Changes submitted through the profile are updated on the Board's internal database within 24 hours. To edit your profile, go to the Board's Website at <https://www.mbp.state.md.us/bpqapp/>.

- ◆ On the right hand side of the home page, click "Practitioner Profiles."
- ◆ Type in your license number under the heading, "Are you a licensed practitioner and need to create/edit your profile information?"
- ◆ First time users must complete the initial registration screen. If already registered, enter your password at the prompt.
- ◆ Once registered, select the edit button for the category of information you would like to edit.

### Continuing Medical Education Requirement for Physicians

As a requirement of renewal of a Maryland medical license, each physician renewing his or her license must attest to meeting the continuing medical education (CME) requirement of at least 50 Category 1 credits earned within the two-year period immediately preceding submission of the renewal (*See COMAR 10.32.01.10*).

For the CME credits to apply, they must be completed and **earned by the date the renewal application is submitted** - NOT on the date the license expires (September 30), unless the renewal application is submitted on September 30 of the renewal year.

Physicians must obtain the requisite documentation of CME credits earned and retain the documentation for **six (6) years** for possible audits by the Board.

The Board conducts random audits of CMEs each year at the time of renewal. If the Board finds that a licensee failed to meet CME requirements, the Board may impose a civil penalty of up to \$100 per CME credit in lieu of a sanction for failure of the licensee to obtain the CME credits required by the Board [*See Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. Article, §14-316(d)(5)*].

For a list of activities and services that meet the Board's Category 1 CME requirement and the required documentation, see *COMAR 10.32.01.10*.

*Note: A licensee applying for the first license renewal after initial licensure or reinstatement is exempt from the CME requirement.*

### New Online Verification of Licensure System (continued from Page 3)

Note: Unlicensed medical practitioners (UMPs) cannot request verifications through the online license verification system. The Board will continue to process written requests for UMPs verifications until July 1, 2016. After July 1, 2016, the Board will no longer provide verification of UMPs registration. Individuals must contact the hospital where the training occurred for primary source verification.

#### Questions?

Please call Customer Service at 410-764-4705.

# Allied Health Corner

## Terminating Delegation Agreements and Evaluation and Treatment Protocols

### Physician Assistants

Hospitals, related institutions, alternative health care systems, or employers are required to report to the Board any termination of employment of the physician assistant for any reason, including quality of care issues, within **5 days** of the termination.

Hospitals, related institutions, alternative health care systems, or employers also are required to report to the Board within **5 days** any limitation, reductions, or other changes of employment of the change of employment that might be grounds for disciplinary actions under Health Occupations Article, §15-314.

### Athletic Trainers

Supervising physicians are required to notify the Board within **10 days** of a termination of an evaluation and treatment protocol with an athletic trainer if the reasons for the termination were:

- ◆ Grounds for disciplinary action under Health Occupations Article, §14-5D-14; or
- ◆ Reasons unrelated to grounds for disciplinary action, e.g., voluntary resignation, change in supervising physician, etc.

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**ON THE BOARD'S WEBSITE**

## Allied Health Practitioners

[Athletic Trainers](#)

[Radiation Therapists](#)

[Naturopathic Doctors](#)

[Radiographers](#)

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[Physician Assistants](#)

[Radiologist Assistants](#)

[Polysomnographic Technologists](#)

[Respiratory Care Practitioners](#)

**Click above to visit the Board's Web pages for these licensees**

## Notice of Change in Name or Address

All licensed allied health practitioners are required to notify the Board of any change of name or address within 60 days of the date of the change. Any licensee who fails to notify the Board of such a change could be subject to **an administrative penalty of \$100**.

To change your address, go to the Board's Website to update your profile. To change your name, download, complete, and mail the Application for Name Change For Allied Health Practitioners to the Board for processing.

## Board Begins Licensing Naturopathic Doctors

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An ND practices naturopathic medicine, which means the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of human health conditions, injury and disease using only patient education and naturopathic therapies and therapeutic substances recognized by the Council of Naturopathic Medicine Education. For more information about naturopathic medicine, see §14-5F-01(g), *Health Occupations Article, Annotated Code of Maryland*.

The proposed regulations developed by the [Naturopathic Medicine Advisory Committee](#) are proceeding through the promulgation process.

## *Sanctions: October 2015 through March 2016*

All Board orders are public documents. To view a document, click on the individual's name.  
*October - November 2015:*

Case Name: [Marnie B. Hargrove, PA-C](#)  
Case Number: 2016-0078  
Date of Action: October 5, 2015  
Fine of \$500.00; payable within 90 days.

Case Name: [William L. Chester, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2014-0732  
Date of Action: October 6, 2015  
Termination of Consent Order.

Case Name: [Robert W. Vest, PA-C](#)  
Case Number: 2016-0065  
Date of Action: October 7, 2015  
Fine of \$500.00.

Case Name: [Sarad R. Baral, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7715-0075  
Date of Action: October 8, 2015  
Termination of Consent Order. Reprimand remains in effect.

Case Name: [Michael A. Franchetti, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7713-0036  
Date of Action: October 13, 2015  
Termination of Probation. Reprimand remains in effect.

Case Name: [Krishan M. Mathur, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0259  
Date of Action: October 14, 2015  
Revocation.

Case Name: [Victoria E. Steiner-Larsen, M.D.](#)  
Case Numbers: 2014-0862 and 7715-0040  
Date of Action: October 19, 2015  
Termination of a Condition.

Case Name: [Krishan M. Mathur, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0259  
Date of Action: October 19, 2015  
Revocation Effective October 30, 2015.

Case Name: [Dean P. Kane, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7715-0046  
Date of Action: October 20, 2015  
Termination of Terms and Conditions. Reprimand remains.

Case Name: [Heather A. Dalwadi, PA-C](#)  
Case Number: 2016-0193  
Date of Action: October 21, 2015  
Fine of \$500.00; payable within 90 days.

Case Name: [Phyllis K. Barson, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7714-0059  
Date of Action: October 22, 2015  
Termination of Probation. Reprimand remains.

Case Name: [Douglas J. Smith, PA-C](#)  
Case Number: 2014-0975  
Date of Action: October 23, 2015  
Surrender of Medical License.

Case Name: [Angela L. Gucwa, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7716-0009  
Date of Action: October 29, 2015  
Termination of Suspension and Imposing Probation.

Case Name: [Richard E. Layton, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7714-0028  
Date of Action: November 2, 2015  
Termination of Probation. Reprimand remains in effect.

Case Name: [Panayiotis Baltatzis, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 1993-0671  
Date of Action: November 5, 2015  
Reprimand with terms and conditions. Probation will remain in effect for the entire duration of his licensure.

Case Name: [Byung Hwan Ahn, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2013-0908  
Date of Action: November 6, 2015  
Reprimand. One (1) year probation with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [James I. Harring, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7714-0044  
Date of Action: November 6, 2015  
Revocation.

Case Name: [Paul A. Haynie, Radiographer](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0255  
Date of Action: November 9, 2015  
Reprimand. Two (2) years probation with terms and conditions.

## *Sanctions (continued)*

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November - December 2015:**

**Case Name:** [Matthew Wachsman, M.D.](#)  
**Case Numbers:** 2014-0535 and 2015-0499  
**Date of Action:** November 12, 2015  
**Reprimand. Two (2) years probation with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Joel L. Goozh, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 7713-0062  
**Date of Action:** November 12, 2015  
**Termination of Probation. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Laurie Poss, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 7713-0017  
**Date of Action:** November 12, 2015  
**Violation of a Condition of the Consent Order. Suspension remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Harminder Kaur Gill, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2016-0217  
**Date of Action:** November 19, 2015  
**Administrative Fine of \$475.00.**

**Case Name:** [Colin C. Ottey, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2014-0348  
**Date of Action:** November 20, 2015  
**Suspension for 90 days – Immediately Stayed. Probation with terms and conditions for three (3) years.**

**Case Name:** [Thurman Watson](#)  
**Case Number:** 2015-0852  
**Date of Action:** November 20, 2015  
**Immediately Cease and Desist from the practice of medicine.**

**Case Name:** [Pradeep Srivastava, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 8815-0005  
**Date of Action:** November 24, 2015  
**Reinstatement of medical license granted.**

**Case Name:** [William S. Arnold, Jr., PA-C](#)  
**Case Number:** 2015-0106  
**Date of Action:** December 1, 2015  
**Revocation.**

**Case Name:** [Anthony V. Dallas, Jr., M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 7715-0056  
**Date of Action:** December 1, 2015  
**Termination of Probation.**

**Case Name:** [Tasha M. Anderson, PA-C](#)  
**Case Number:** 2015-0771  
**Date of Action:** December 3, 2015  
**Termination of Summary Suspension of August 11, 2015. Suspension with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Katherine L. Ball, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2015-0793  
**Date of Action:** December 8, 2015  
**Reprimand. One (1) year probation with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Richard P. Green, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2016-0137  
**Date of Action:** December 8, 2015  
**Administrative fine of \$2,000.00; payable within 30 days.**

**Case Name:** [Eric G. Hansen, A.T.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2015-0579  
**Date of Action:** December 8, 2015  
**Revocation.**

**Case Name:** [Donovan W. Fraser, R.T.](#)  
**Case Number:** 7715-0053  
**Date of Action:** December 8, 2015  
**Termination of Consent Order. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Geraldine F. Goertzen, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2013-0115  
**Date of Action:** December 9, 2015  
**Reprimand.**

**Case Name:** [Thomas J. Hazlett III, R.T.](#)  
**Case Number:** 7715-0083  
**Date of Action:** December 9, 2015  
**Reprimand.**

**Case Name:** [Joel W. Walker, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 7715-0019  
**Date of Action:** December 11, 2015  
**Surrender of medical license.**

**Case Name:** [Grace E. Ziem, M.D.](#)  
**Case Number:** 2015-0695  
**Date of Action:** December 11, 2015  
**Summary Suspension.**

## *Sanctions (continued)*

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*December 2015 - January 2016:*

Case Name: [Angela Punte](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0542  
Date of Action: December 14, 2015  
Cease and Desist. Monetary fine of \$1,000.00.

Case Name: [Peter L. Wisniewski, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0858  
Date of Action: December 14, 2015  
Two (2) years suspension with terms and conditions.  
Retroactive to June 1, 2015.

Case Name: [Elizabeth Rosati](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0463  
Date of Action: December 14, 2015  
Cease and Desist. Monetary fine of \$1,500.00.

Case Name: [Mary C. Deckelman, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2016-0214  
Date of Action: December 15, 2015  
Administrative Fine of \$1,275.00; payable within  
30 days.

Case Name: [Jacob L. Friesen, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7713-0102  
Date of Action: December 15, 2015  
Surrender of medical license.

Case Name: [Jenifer Roberts](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0541  
Date of Action: December 16, 2015  
Cease and Desist. Monetary fine of \$1,000.00.

Case Name: [Grace E. Ziem, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0695  
Date of Action: December 17, 2015  
Summary Suspension Affirmed.

Case Name: [Steven J. Brand, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2014-0865  
Date of Action: December 21, 2015  
Reprimand.

Case Name: [Tarique Firozvi, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7715-0017  
Date of Action: December 21, 2015  
Revocation.

Case Name: [M. Michael Massumi, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7713-0070  
Date of Action: December 22, 2015  
Suspension for 90 days, starting January 1,  
2016. Three (3) years probation with terms and  
conditions.

Case Name: [Rajan Sood, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2007-0480  
Date of Action: December 22, 2015  
Termination of Probation.

Case Name: [John K. Aziz, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2014-0914  
Date of Action: December 23, 2015  
Reprimand. One (1) year probation with terms and  
conditions.

Case Name: [Michael A. Basco, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2014-0045  
Date of Action: December 30, 2015  
Suspension for six (6) months with terms and  
conditions to begin 15 days from date of order.

Case Name: [Paul V. Beals, M.D.](#)  
Case Numbers: 2001-0433 and 1985-0081  
Date of Action: January 4, 2016  
Termination of Probation.

Case Name: [James E. Chappell, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0571  
Date of Action: January 4, 2016  
Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$5,000.00.

Case Name: [Hulya Daniel](#)  
Case Number: 7714-0054  
Date of Action: January 4, 2016  
Termination of Consent Order.

Case Name: [Donald J. Hayes, M.D.](#)  
Case Number: 7713-0063  
Date of Action: January 4, 2016  
Termination of Suspension. Termination of  
Probation. Reprimand remains in effect.

Case Name: [Kristina S. Lawrence](#)  
Case Number: 2015-0612  
Date of Action: January 4, 2016  
Cease & Desist. Monetary fine of \$1,000.00.



## *Sanctions (continued)*

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*January 2016:*

Case Name: [Lauri B. Leight](#)

Case Number: 2015-0611

Date of Action: January 4, 2016

Cease & Desist. Monetary fine of \$1,000.00.

Case Name: [Okechukwu A. Nwodim, D.O.](#)

Case Number: 2014-0672

Date of Action: January 4, 2016

Reprimand. Twelve (12) months of probation with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [Dianna S.L. Yan, M.D.](#)

Case Numbers: 2014-0889 and 2015-0430

Date of Action: January 4, 2016

Reprimand. Probation with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [Orlando R. Davis, M.D.](#)

Case Numbers: 2011-0811 and 2014-0621

Date of Action: January 5, 2016

Probation for one (1) year with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [Shawna M. Gunter](#)

Case Number: 2014-0776

Date of Action: January 6, 2016

Monetary fine of \$5,000.00.

Case Name: [Hope A. McIntyre, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2014-0735

Date of Action: January 7, 2016

Reprimand. One (1) year probation with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [Unchol Ann Rohrer](#)

Case Number: 2015-0674

Date of Action: January 11, 2016

Monetary fine of \$1,000.00.

Case Name: [Alan H. Rohrer, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2015-0673

Date of Action: January 11, 2016

Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$5,000.00.

Case Name: [Mark D. Noar, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2014-0618

Date of Action: January 11, 2016

Reprimand. Three (3) years probation with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [Tristan J. Shockley, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2014-0979

Date of Action: January 12, 2016

Reprimand.

Case Name: [Lincoln K. Dover, PA-C](#)

Case Number: 2015-0712

Date of Action: January 12, 2016

Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$2,500.00.

Case Name: [Marsha J. Brown, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2015-0334

Date of Action: January 14, 2016

Reprimand. Two (2) years probation with terms and conditions.

Case Name: [James E. Chappell, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 7716-0037

Date of Action: January 15, 2016

Fine Satisfied. Reprimand remains in effect.

Case Name: [Lauri Leight](#)

Case Number: 7716-0039

Date of Action: January 15, 2016

Fine Satisfied. Cease and Desist shall continue.

Remaining terms and conditions are still in effect.

Case Name: [Kristina S. Lawrence](#)

Case Number: 7716-0038

Date of Action: January 15, 2016

Fine Satisfied. Cease and Desist shall continue.

Remaining terms and conditions are still in effect.

Case Name: [Kevin D. Sellman, Jr.](#)

Case Number: 2016-0434

Date of Action: January 15, 2016

Suspension of License.

Case Name: [Betty B. Rainsford, P.A.](#)

Case Number: 2014-0934

Date of Action: January 19, 2016

Termination of Consent Order. Reprimand remains in effect.

Case Name: [Elizabeth Rosati](#)

Case Number: 7716-0031

Date of Action: January 19, 2016

Fine satisfied. Cease and Desist shall continue.

Remaining terms and conditions are still in effect.

## *Sanctions (continued)*

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January - February 2016:**

**Case Name:** [Olubayo Oludara-Fadare, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0017

**Date of Action:** January 19, 2016

**Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$5,000.00.**

**Case Name:** [Rica B. Brown, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0174

**Date of Action:** January 19, 2016

**Reprimand with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Khwaja J. Zakriya, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2004-0488

**Date of Action:** January 19, 2016

**Termination of Probation.**

**Case Name:** [Anthony C. Muse](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0436

**Date of Action:** January 19, 2016

**Suspension of License.**

**Case Name:** [Ralph B. Epstein, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2014-0759

**Date of Action:** January 21, 2016

**Reprimand. Two (2) years probation with terms and conditions. Fine of \$5,000.00.**

**Case Name:** [Unchol Ann Rohrer](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0050

**Date of Action:** January 21, 2016

**Fine Satisfied.**

**Case Name:** [Alan H. Rohrer, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0049

**Date of Action:** January 21, 2016

**Fine Satisfied. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Kevin D. Sellman, Jr.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0434

**Date of Action:** January 22, 2016

**Reinstatement of License.**

**Case Name:** [Michael P. Parsons, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0550

**Date of Action:** February 1, 2016

**Reprimand with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Earl J. Wilson, RCP](#)

**Case Number:** 2009-0067

**Date of Action:** February 2, 2016

**Termination of Probation.**

**Case Name:** [Arthur F. Woodward, Jr., M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0364

**Date of Action:** February 3, 2016

**Surrender of Medical License.**

**Case Name:** [Dianna S. L. Yan, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0041

**Date of Action:** February 5, 2016

**Termination of Probation.**

**Case Name:** [David J. Salinger, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0735

**Date of Action:** February 10, 2016

**Reprimand with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Bruce E. Weneck, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7713-0073

**Date of Action:** February 16, 2016

**Termination of Probation. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Melissa D. Harben, L.P.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0425

**Date of Action:** February 17, 2016

**Reprimand with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Caroline Anne Gerhardt, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0859

**Date of Action:** February 19, 2016

**Suspension of Medical License for six (6) months with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Michael L. Beavers, D.O.](#)

**Case Numbers:** 2013-0342, 7714-0053, 2007-0143, and 2012-0470

**Date of Action:** February 19, 2016

**Termination of Probation. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Mark T. Birns, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0215

**Date of Action:** February 23, 2016

**Administrative fine of \$1,400.00.**

**Case Name:** [Victor Y. Kim, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0210

**Date of Action:** February 25, 2016

**Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$2,500.00; payable within 30 days.**

## *Sanctions (continued)*

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February - March 2016:**

Case Name: [Amr El-Beshir](#)

Case Number: 2015-0394

Date of Action: February 25, 2016

**Immediately Cease and Desist. Monetary fine of \$10,000.00; payable within one (1) year.**

Case Name: [Hasan H. Babaturk, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2016-0465

Date of Action: February 25, 2016

**Summary Suspension.**

Case Name: [Thomas E. Dooley, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2013-0971

Date of Action: February 25, 2016

**Suspension for one (1) year beginning 30 days from the date of order. Upon termination of suspension, probation for three (3) years with terms and conditions.**

Case Name: [Carli P. Lankford](#)

Case Number: 8816-0001

Date of Action: March 1, 2016

**Reinstatement of Radiography License. Probation with terms and conditions.**

Case Name: [James F. McGuckin, Jr., M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2016-0350

Date of Action: March 1, 2016

**Terms and conditions.**

Case Name: [Orin M. Zwick, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2015-0744

Date of Action: March 1, 2016

**Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$1,000.00; payable within 60 days.**

Case Name: [Melanie Simmons](#)

Case Number: 2015-0745

Date of Action: March 1, 2016

**Monetary fine of \$500.00; payable within 60 days.**

Case Name: [Rasheed A. Abassi, M.D.](#)

Case Numbers: 2014-0595 and 2014-0743

Date of Action: March 1, 2016

**Suspension for one (1) year with terms and conditions, effective March 15, 2016. Upon termination of Suspension, Probation will be imposed for three (3) years with terms and conditions. Monetary fine of \$30,000.00.**

Case Name: [Marianna Atanasson](#)

Case Number: 7714-0066

Date of Action: March 2, 2016

**Fine Satisfied.**

Case Name: [Thurman Watson](#)

Case Number: 2015-0852

Date of Action: March 2, 2016

**Cease and Desist.**

Case Name: [Faith D. Esterson, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2015-0332

Date of Action: March 3, 2016

**Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$5,000.00; payable within 30 days.**

Case Name: [Carl F. Oltman, Sr., P.A.](#)

Case Number: 2001-0562

Date of Action: March 3, 2016

**Termination of Probation.**

Case Name: [Alan H. Peck, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2014-0544

Date of Action: March 7, 2016

**Reprimand. Probation for a minimum of 18 months with terms and conditions.**

Case Name: [Jorge C. Srabstein, M.D.](#)

Case Number: 2015-0298

Date of Action: March 7, 2016

**Reprimand with terms and conditions.**

Case Name: [Daniel Young, Sr.](#)

Case Number: 2016-0601

Date of Action: March 8, 2016

**Suspension of License to practice Respiratory Care.**

Case Name: [Craig R. Wilder, M.D.](#)

Case Numbers: 2011-0059, 2014-0968, and 7715-0096

Date of Action: March 8, 2016

**Termination of Probation.**

Case Name: [Josh Morrow](#)

Case Number: 2015-0866

Date of Action: March 9, 2016

**Immediately Cease and Desist. Monetary fine of \$500.00; payable within one (1) year.**

## *Sanctions (continued)*

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March 2016:**

**Case Name:** [Hasan H. Babaturk, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0465

**Date of Action:** March 9, 2016

**Summary Suspension Affirmed.**

**Case Name:** [Robert J. Wagner, Jr., D.O.](#)

**Case Number:** 7713-0074

**Date of Action:** March 15, 2016

**Termination of Probation.**

**Case Name:** [Mehmooda B. Naeem, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0649

**Date of Action:** March 15, 2016

**Administrative fine of \$1,700.00; payable within 30 days.**

**Case Name:** [Lawrence Vidaver, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2014-0981

**Date of Action:** March 16, 2016

**Reprimand. Probation for a minimum of 18 months with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Anthony C. Muse, Radiographer](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0436

**Date of Action:** March 23, 2016

**Suspension Lifted.**

**Case Name:** [Faith D. Esterson, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0067

**Date of Action:** March 23, 2016

**Fine Satisfied. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Jonathan W. Klingler, D.O.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0851

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Suspension for a minimum of one (1) year, beginning retroactively on July 6, 2015, with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Sammy S. W. Kang, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0440

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Reprimand. Monetary fine of \$5,000.00; payable within 60 days.**

**Case Name:** [Irene Hanzigiannis](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0856

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Monetary fine of \$1,000.00; payable within 60 days.**

**Case Name:** [Brittany L. Nichols](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0533

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Monetary fine of \$1,000.00; payable within 60 days.**

**Case Name:** [Philip W. Halstead, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7713-0100

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Reprimand. Probation for two (2) years with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Barbara A. Byers, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2015-0916

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Fine of \$5,000.00; payable within 30 days.**

**Case Name:** [Mudit Sharma, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0055

**Date of Action:** March 24, 2016

**Termination of Consent Order. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [Irene Hanzigiannis](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0076

**Date of Action:** March 29, 2016

**Satisfied fine.**

**Case Name:** [Jorge C. Srabstein, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0069

**Date of Action:** March 29, 2016

**Satisfied the condition of Consent Order. Reprimand remains in effect.**

**Case Name:** [M. Michael Massumi, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 7716-0034

**Date of Action:** March 30, 2016

**Termination of Suspension. Probation for a minimum of three (3) years with terms and conditions.**

**Case Name:** [Jennifer M. Hammer, M.D.](#)

**Case Number:** 2016-0186

**Date of Action:** March 30, 2016

**Monetary fine of \$10,000.00; payable within six (6) months.**

## CDS Registration:

The Maryland Division of Drug Control (DDC) has announced details regarding new CDS registration. To view the announcement, visit the [DDC's Website](#) and look for the "Latest News & Information" section.

## MD-EDRS:

For information about the Maryland Electronic Death Registration System, visit the Vital Statistics Administration's MD-EDRS Web page at <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/vsa/Pages/EDRS.aspx>.

## Zika Virus:

Information regarding the Zika Virus is available on the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) Website at <http://phpa.dhmh.maryland.gov/pages/zika.aspx>. This Web page offers – in part – an updated total of Maryland confirmed infections and links to additional resources.

**Information  
Available  
on the  
DDC  
and  
DHMH  
Websites**

DHMH has released the *2015 Drug- and Alcohol-Related Intoxication Deaths in Maryland* report. Visit DHMH's online newsroom at <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/newsroom/Pages/index.aspx>.

## Opioids: CDC and HHS Resources

In March, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released guidelines that contain recommendations for primary care clinicians who are prescribing opioids for chronic pain outside of active cancer treatment, palliative care, and end-of-life care. To view the guidelines, visit the following CDC Web page:

<http://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/prescribing/guideline.html>.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) also offers resources, such as a link to the recently released National Pain Strategy. Visit the HHS Website at:

<http://www.hhs.gov/opioids/health-professionals-resources/index.html>.

**Note: These links are provided for information purposes only and are not intended to provide standards of practice.**

## Revised Cosmetic Regulations

The Board recently revised its regulations concerning microdermabrasion and dermabrasion. Under the new regulations, microdermabrasion may now be performed by an unlicensed medical assistant without on-site supervision if delegated by a physician. See the *Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 10.32.12.04D(1)(j)*.

The Board defines "microdermabrasion" in the Unlicensed Medical Assistant chapter of the regulations in COMAR 10.32.12.02. The Board removed "microdermabrasion" and "microdermabrasion device" from the definition of cosmetic medical procedure in the Cosmetic Medical Procedure chapter of the regulations. See *COMAR 10.32.09.02*.

The Board, however, defined "dermabrasion" and added it as a cosmetic medical procedure in the Cosmetic Medical Procedure chapter. See *COMAR 10.32.09.02B(5)(vi) and B(8)*.

To search for regulations, visit the [Division of State Documents Website](#) and click on "COMAR Online."

# Board Information

## Board Member Recruitment

The Board is requesting nominations for physician member positions and is asking for assistance in this outreach effort to recruit individuals to serve on this important Board.

The Governor's appointments office requires all applicants (new and reappointment eligible) for seats appointed by the Governor to apply online at: <http://govappointments.maryland.gov/>

*Paper applications will be accepted on a case-by-case basis.*

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