

# **ABOUT THE BOARD**

The 21st General Assembly created the State Board of Medical Examiners in 1886 to license physicians and regulate the practice of medicine. Initially, the Board issued licenses to several classes of physicians, including medical (M.D.), homeopaths, and eclectics.

The Board began issuing licenses for osteopathic physicians until 1902. In 1921, the Legislature created a separate Board to license and regulate osteopaths. In 1963, the Legislature abolished the Osteopathic Board and redefined the State Board of Medical Examiners, making it a composite Board to license allopathic physicians (M.D.s) and osteopathic physicians (D.O.s). In 2007, the Board was renamed the Board of Medicine.

Non-physician "public" members have been on the 10-member Board since 1975.

Since 1994, the Board has regulated acupuncturists, first registering them, then licensing them. Over the past 130 years, the Board has directly or indirectly been responsible for licensure or regulation of other health care providers, including nurses, advanced emergency medical technicians, paramedics, and physician assistants. All of these professions are now licensed and regulated by their own Boards.

In 2019, legislation was approved to license and regulate genetic counselors under the Board beginning in 2020.

In 1996, the Legislature authorized the Board to establish the Iowa Physician Health Committee to administer a program to advocate for and monitor the recovery and rehabilitation of impaired physicians.

In 2015, the Legislature authorized the Board to join the Interstate Medical



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Licensure Compact, which establishes an expedited process for medical licensure in participating states.

The Board regulates the practice of medicine and surgery, acupuncture and genetic counseling under the authority of lowa Code chapters 17A, 147, 147B, 148, 148E, 272C and Section 653 in the lowa Administrative Code.

The Board is charged with enforcing these laws and rules to protect the public from licensees who do not practice within prevailing and acceptable standards of care.

The Board is an Executive Branch agency within the Iowa Department of Public Health. The Board is funded entirely with licensure fees.

# **BOARD MEMBERS**

The 10-member Board of Medicine is composed of seven physicians (five M.D.s and two D.O.s) and three non-physicians who represent the public. Members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Iowa Senate for a full three-year term or to complete the unexpired term of a member who resigned. Members receive a per diem and expenses, and can serve up to nine years.

The Board annually elects a chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary and is organized into four standing committees, each with five members: Executive, Licensure, Monitoring, and Screening. The Board must be gender balanced and no more than five members can be from the same political party. Physician members must be actively engaged in the practice or the instruction of medicine for a period of five years just preceding the member's appointment, the last two of which must be in Iowa. Public members have been a part of the Board's composition since 1975.

The Board safeguards the public health, safety and welfare by:

- Licensing qualified physicians, acupuncturists and genetic counselors;
- Investigating complaints against physicians, acupuncturists and genetic counselors, establishing peer review committees, taking corrective action, and monitoring those under Board Order;
- Operating a program for physicians, acupuncturists and genetic counselors with an impairment;
- Defining the scope of medical, acupuncture and genetic counseling practices;
- Working cooperatively with certain other agencies, e.g., Board of Physician Assistants, Board of Pharmacy; and
- Operating within specified limitations, e.g., public meetings law, public records law, and the waiver and variance law.

### **2021 MEMBERS & OFFICERS**

Warren Gall, M.D., Chair Nikhil Wagle, M.D., Secretary Ronald Kolegraff, M.D., Vice Chair Trudy Caviness, Public Member Diane Cortese Patricia Fasbender, D.O. Chad Stadsvold, D.O. Joyce Vista-Wayne, M.D. Dubuque
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Physicians and non-physicians interested in serving on the Board can complete an online application at <a href="https://talentbank.iowa.gov">https://talentbank.iowa.gov</a> or contact the governor's staff member in charge of appointments at (515) 281-0215.

# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Iowa Board of Medicine takes seriously its fundamental responsibility to serve the citizens of Iowa by ensuring that physicians and acupuncturists are qualified to practice and that they are adhering to the laws, rules and standards that regulate their practices.

### In 2021, the Board:

- Administered active licenses for 14,095 physicians and 73 licensed acupuncturists and 109 genetic counselors.
- Received 538 complaints and mandatory reports and completed reviews or investigations of 600 case files.
- Took 42 public disciplinary actions and voted to issue 56 confidential letters of concerns about licensees' conduct or practice.
- Filed charges against 16 physicians and issued three public consent agreements as a condition for medical licensure.
- Assessed civil penalties totaling \$30,000 involving 11 physicians.
- Initiated action to amend 4 administrative rules and completed a five-year review of the Board's administrative rules.
- Held seven two-day meetings, six teleconferences and three disciplinary hearings.
- Issued 444 medical licenses to physicians who were qualified to use the expedited licensure process established by the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.
- Continued a robust educational outreach program to the public and licensees, health care stakeholders, and state and federal government officials.
- Participated in training activities and regulatory discussions offered by the Federation of State Medical Boards and the Administrators in Medicine.

The Board places great emphasis on completing timely, fair and complete investigations that result in appropriate action. Concurrently, the Board provides assistance and guidance to licensees through the adoption of rules and regular communications on disciplinary actions and a variety of issues relating to their practices.

In addition, the Board remains a strong supporter of the Iowa Physician Health Program, which facilitates the intervention and rehabilitation of physicians who have mental, physical or chemical dependency issues that, if left untreated or not monitored, could impair their ability to practice safely.

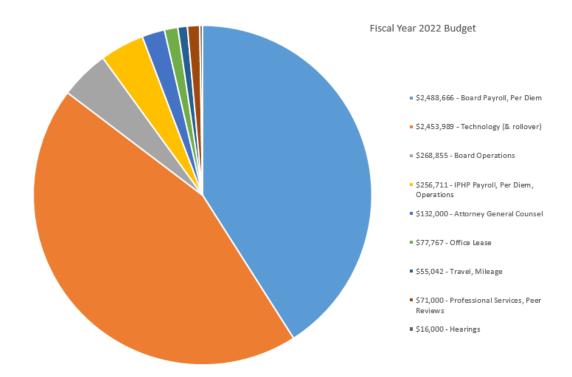
This brief report is a statistical tabulation of the Board's work during 2021. Behind these numbers are the hard work of a devoted and professional staff and the exceptional public service of dedicated Board members.

The Board has a long history of transparency regarding its licensure, disciplinary and regulatory work, making public documents easily available on the Board's website. In addition, the agency has provided annual reports such as this one for several decades. Do you want to know more about the Board? Please visit us online at <a href="https://www.medicalboard.iowa.gov">www.medicalboard.iowa.gov</a> or contact me.

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### **FY2022 EXPENSE BUDGET**



BOARD OF MEDICINE'S EXPENSE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 (JULY 1, 2021, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2022): \$5,820,030. The FY2022 expense budget includes roll-over funds for operations and to cover ongoing expenses for programming the Board's database and to fund technology upgrades. The Board's anticipated revenue from licensure fees in FY2022 is \$3,876,170. The Board is funded entirely with licensure fees, which have not been increased since FY2007. In FY2014, the Board reduced fees.

### **2021 BOARD MEETINGS**

February 6-7 March 26-27 May 21-22

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July 9-10

August 27-28

October 22-23

December 10-11

### **2021 TELECONFERENCES**

January 10

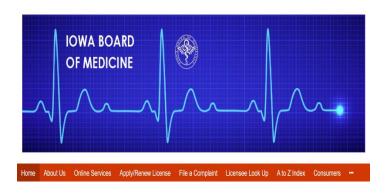
May 29

July 18

August 29

October 24

December 12



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# **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

The Board of Medicine's administrative rules, which have the weight of law, are found in Section 653 of the Iowa Administrative Code. Before the Board can adopt a new rule or amend an existing rule, the intended action item must be published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin and reviewed at a public hearing. The proposed change can also be subject to review by the Governor's Office and by the Administrative Rules Review Committee. In addition, the public can petition the Board to adopt, amend or repeal an administrative rule.

RULEMAKING IN 2021						
Subject of Rule Making (For full description, click on ARC number.)	Notice of Intended Action (NOIA)	Adopted Rule Making	Effective Date of Adopted Rule Making			
Standards of practice—medical cannabidiol, 13.15(1)	ARC 5668C, IAB <u>06/02/2021</u>					
Licensure; criminal convictions, 9.3, 10.3, 10.4(2), 10.5(2), 17.4(1), 20.6, 20.20, 23.1, 25.25	ARC 5473C, IAB <u>02/24/2021</u>	Adopted and Filed <u>ARC</u> <u>5861C</u> , IAB <u>08/25/2021</u>	09/29/2021			
Appointment of executive director, 1.3	ARC 5372C, IAB <u>12/30/2020</u>	Adopted and Filed <u>ARC</u> <u>5749C</u> , IAB <u>07/14/2021</u>	08/18/2021			
Waivers, 3.1, 3.4, 3.17, 8.11, 9.18, 10.6, 11.6, 13.21, 17.4(2), 17.5(13), 17.11, 17.30, 19.8, 20.8(12), 20.20, 20.25, 21.8, 23.1	ARC 5370C, IAB <u>12/30/2020</u>	Adopted and Filed <u>ARC</u> <u>5599C</u> , IAB <u>05/05/2021</u>	06/09/2021			

# IOWA PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM

The Iowa Physician Health Program (IPHP) is a confidential monitoring program created

by the Iowa Board of Medicine in 1996. The IPHP was designed to protect the public by supporting and monitoring services for physicians whose health conditions may impact their ability to practice medicine safely. The IPHP promotes early intervention, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring for physicians with potential impairments caused by a mental health condition, substance use disorder or physical condition. Participants in the



program receive confidential help without board involvement as long as they comply with program expectations. The IPHP monitors treatment progress and work quality. Specific requirements are based on the individual's illness and risk to patient safety. The program is administered by the Iowa Physician Health Committee, which is appointed by the Board of Medicine. The committee and program are defined in Iowa Administrative Code 653 Chapter 14. Committee members receive a per diem and expenses.

The committee held four meetings in 2021 and met with 16 program participants. Staff members conducted field visits via Zoom, with 10 participants. The program's budget of \$256,711 in FY2022 is funded entirely with licensure fees. Licensees do not pay additionally to participate in the program, but they are responsible for all costs associated with drug screening, therapy, treatment and so forth.

Staff members of the Board manage the program. The committee's co-chairs and legal counsel provide guidance on case issues. **Members of the committee in 2021:** 

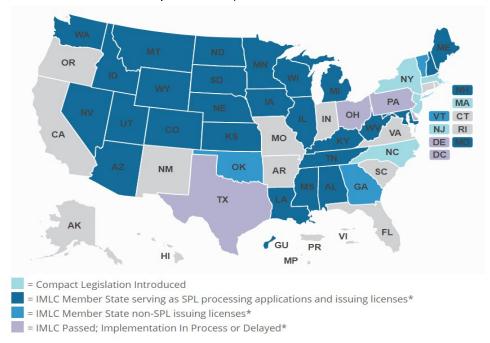
- Eric Boyum, M.D., West Burlington, co-chair
- Martin Carpenter, M.D., Hiawatha
- Allison Gillies, LISW, IAADC, Ottumwa
- Jeanine Freeman, J.D., Des Moines
- Jeanie Kerber, LISW, MPA, Ph.D., Ankeny
- Jeffrey Means, M.Div., Ph.D., Des Moines
- Timothy Schurman, M.D., West Des Moines, co-chair
- Alfred Fleming, M.D. Sioux City
- Don Woodhouse, M.D. Medical Director, Board of Medicine

Emily Zalasky, LBSW, is the program's coordinator and Natalie Lyons, BS, IADC is the program's case manager. Jordan Esbrook from the Iowa Attorney General's Office provided legal counsel for the program and the committee in 2021.

(TOTALS ON DECEMBER 31)	2020	2021	(PARTICIPANTS' DIAGNOSES)	2020	2021
Active Participants	35	34	Substance use	8	11
In review for eligibility	8	8	Mental health	5	3
Physicians	43	43	Physical condition	0	1
Resident physicians	0	0	Dual diagnoses	22	19
Discharged	23	22			
Noticed for violations	5	3			

### INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT

Source: Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission)



<sup>\*</sup> Questions regarding the current status and extent of these states' and boards' participation in the IMLC should be directed to the respective state boards.

The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact creates a new pathway to expedite the licensing of physicians seeking to practice medicine in multiple states. States participating in the Compact agree to work together in new ways to significantly streamline the licensing process and to strengthen public protection by sharing investigative and disciplinary information. Thousands of physicians have used the expedited licensure process since it began in April 2017.

The Compact <u>currently includes 30 states</u>, the District of Columbia and the Territory of Guam. In these jurisdictions, physicians are licensed by 43 different medical and osteopathic boards. Other states are currently in the process of introducing legislation to adopt the Compact. The IMLCC has prepared a short video that discusses the IMLCC and provides additional information. <u>Overview of the IMLCC</u>.

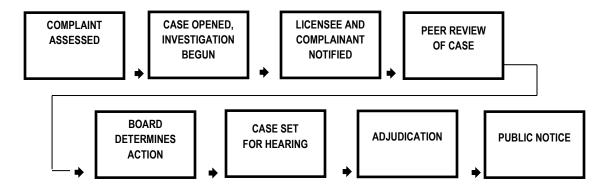
To be eligible for expedited licensure, physicians must possess a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a Compact state; possess specialty certification or be in possession of a time unlimited specialty certificate; have no discipline on any state medical license; have no discipline related to controlled substances; not be under investigation by any licensing or law enforcement agency; have passed each component/step of the USMLE or COMLEX (or equivalent) within three attempts; and have successfully completed a graduate medical education program. Approximately 80 percent of physicians licensed in the U.S. meet the criteria for licensure through the Compact.

A commission oversees the administration of the Compact. Iowa's commissioners are Patricia Fasbender, D.O., a public member of the Board, and Warren Gall, a physician member of the Board. In 2021, 430 licenses were issued and 332 licenses were renewed by Licensure Specialist, Jaime Dunbar, who works closely with the Compact and the Board's Commissioners. More information about the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact is available at <a href="https://www.imlcc.org">www.imlcc.org</a>.

# **ENFORCEMENT**

JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31	2018	2019	2020	2021
COMPLAINTS, MANDATORY REPORTS				
Complaints	516	540	416	483
Reports	133	120	120	55
TOTAL	649	660	536	538
Complaint files closed	421	478	465	537
Report files closed	157	136	134	63
TOTAL	578	614	599	600
Complaint investigations open on 12/31	391	455	179	352
Report investigations open on 12/31	59	65	43	55
TOTAL	450	520	222	407
PUBLIC CHARGES & CONSENT AGREEMENTS	22	19	19	19
DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS				
License revocation/surrender	5	1	6	3
License suspension	1	0	1	1
License probation	9	5	3	7
Civil penalty	12	11	11	11
Public citation and warning	21	14	19	13
Practice restriction	10	5	6	7
TOTAL FORMAL (PUBLIC) ACTIONS	58	36	46	42
Confidential letter about practice or conduct	111	91	65	56
Licensees monitored by the Board on 12/31	60	59	50	47
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LETTER FOR PRACTICING WITHOUT A LICENSE				

# OVERVIEW OF COMPETENCY COMPLAINT PROCESS



# **COMPLIANCE SUMMARY - 2021 CHARGES, AGREEMENTS**

In 2021, the Board of Medicine filed Charges against 19 physicians involving issues related to their practices in lowa or related to adverse actions taken against them by another state's medical licensing Board. Total charges listed below exceed 19 because some physicians were charges with more than one count. The total charges include four Consent Agreements as a condition for granting an lowa medical license, publicly recognizing adverse action taken against applicants by another state's licensing Board.

### CHARGES:

Discipline by Another Licensing Authority\* – 4
Failure to Comply with a Board Investigation – 1
Failure to Comply with a Board Order – 1
Failure to Comply with a Board Subpoena – 1
Failure to Report Disciplinary Action - 2
Felony Criminal Conviction – 1
Professional Incompetency – 7
Unethical Conduct - 1
Unethical or Unprofessional Conduct – 1
Violation of a Lawful Order of the Board – 1
Violation of Patient Privacy Standards - 1

### **CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR LICENSURE:**

(Agreement puts public on notice of action against applicant by Iowa's or another state's medical licensing Board)

Concerns Raised by Residency Training – 1 Convicted of a Felony Offense - 1 Discipline by Another Licensing Authority\* – 1

# OUTCOMES: Complaints are most often handled in one of three ways

- 1. NO ACTION. This is the result when no violation of laws, rules or medical care standards has occurred. The licensee and complainant are notified and the information is kept on file.
- 2. INFORMAL ACTION. There may be no violation of laws, rules or medical care standards that warrants public action, but the Board is nonetheless concerned about some aspect of the licensee's conduct or performance. The Board will issue a confidential letter of education or warning cautioning the licensee against repeating similar conduct or practice. Complainant is notified that no formal disciplinary action has been taken.
- 3. PUBLIC CHARGES FILED. The Board determines there is a violation of laws, rules or medical care standards and files public charges and a disciplinary hearing is scheduled.

(\*Actions were taken against these three physicians in other states for these issues: Discipline by Another Licensing Authority – 1; Failure to Conform to the Standards of Acceptable and Prevailing Medical Practice and the Ethics of the Medical Profession – 1; Failure to Comply with an Order Issued by the Disciplining Authority or a Stipulation for Informal Disposition Entered into with the Disciplining Authority – 1; Felony Criminal Conviction – 1; Incompetence, Negligence, or Malpractice which Results in Injury to a Patient or Which Creates an Unreasonable Risk That a Patient May Be Harmed – 1; Unprofessional Conduct – 2)

### **COMPLIANCE SUMMARY - 2021 INFORMAL ACTIONS**

When the Board of Medicine determines that probable cause does not exist to take formal public disciplinary action the Board may send a confidential non-disciplinary letter to a licensee expressing concerns and requesting that a licensee take corrective action. In 2021, the Board voted to issue 56 confidential letters addressing the following concerns:

### JAN. 14 TELECONFERENCE - 1 LETTER

1. Concerns that a physician pled guilty to a misdemeanor pursuant to the Federal Food and Cosmetic Act, conspiracy to introduce an unapproved new drug into interstate commerce.

### **FEBRUARY 18-19 MEETING - 7 LETTERS**

- Concerns that a physician may suffer from a health condition which affects their ability to practice surgery.
- Concerns that a physician engaged in disruptive behavior in the practice of medicine.
- 3. Concerns that a physician prescribed braces and orthotics without performing appropriate evaluations.
- 4. Concerns about a physician's evaluation of a mental health patient.
- Concerns that a physician provided care to an immediate family member that created a conflict of interest.
- 6. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 7. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.

### MAR. 11 TELECONFERENCE - 3 LETTERS

- 1. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 2. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 3. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.

### **APRIL 15-16 MEETING - 14 LETTERS**

- 1. Concerns that a physician may have missed signs of child abuse for a single patient.
- 2. Concerns that a physician failed to perform thorough examinations and failed to provide appropriate documentation.
- 3. Concerns that a physician failed to order appropriate testing for a patient.
- 4. Concerns that a physician failed to provide appropriate follow-up on a radiology report.
- 5. Concerns that a physician failed to disclose the suspension of his hospital privileges in another state on his application for renewal of his lowa medical license.
- 6. Concerns that a physician made inappropriate physical contact with an individual while practicing medicine.
- 7. Concerns that a physician ordered the wrong CT scan and failed to compare a CT scan with a previous study.
- 8. Concerns that a physician failed to perform an appropriate workup for the measles and failed to provide appropriate advice to the family regarding the measles.
- 9. Concerns that a physician failed to perform an appropriate examination on a patient following an automobile accident.
- 10. Concerns that a physician failed to properly treat a patient with a respiratory syncytial virus.
- 11. Concerns that a physician allowed a 3rd party to submit application and failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 12. Concerns that a physician was sanctioned by another state licensing Board.
- 13. Concerns that a physician allowed a 3rd party to submit application and failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 14. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.

### **MAY 13 TELECONFERENCE - 4 LETTERS**

- 1. Concerns that a physician was sanctioned by another state licensing Board.
- 2. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 3. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.
- 4. Concerns that a physician failed to provide truthful, accurate or complete information on license application.

### JUNE 3-4 MEETING - 1 LETTER

1. Concerns that a physician failed to perform a thorough examination on a child and failed to adequately communicate with the patient's parent following the exam.

### JULY 22-23 MEETING - 10 LETTERS

- 1. Concerns that a physician experienced difficulty performing neonatal resuscitation services.
- 2. Concerns about a physician's workload, excessive testing and medical record keeping.
- 3. Concerns that a physician experienced a mislabeled lab specimen.
- 4. Concerns that a physician failed to perform an appropriate pre-operative workup and took a photograph of the patient without appropriate consent.
- 5. Concerns that a physician failed to review a patient's previous medical records prior to providing medical care to the patient.
- 6. Concerns that a physician failed to perform Cesarean Section delivery in a timely manner.
- 7. Concerns that a physician failed to appropriately respond to a patient with a potential mental health emergency.
- 8. Concerns that a physician misread radiologic imaging that showed a spinal fracture.
- 9. Concerns that a physician failed to properly submit death certificate information to the State's reporting system.
- 10. Concerns that a physician failed to perform a rectal exam on a patient.

### SEPTEMBER 9-10 MEETING - 5 LETTERS

- 1. Concerns that a physician failed to maintain appropriate medical records.
- 2. Concerns that a physician failed to maintain appropriate medical records.
- 3. Concerns that a physician failed to provide appropriate follow-up for a patient with suspected cancer.
- 4. Concerns that a physician failed to fully comply with the standards of practice for appropriate opioid prescribing for the treatment of chronic pain.
- 5. Concerns about a physician's weight loss and hormone replacement practices.

### **OCTOBER 21-22 MEETING - 2 LETTERS**

- 1. Concerns that a physician failed to follow-up on a patient's referral to another physician.
- 2. Concerns about a physician's prescribing practices and failure to respond to the Board's investigation.

### **DECEMBER 9-10 MEETING - 9 LETTERS**

- 1. Concerns about a physician's disruptive behavior.
- 2. Concerns about a physician's prescribing to a family member.
- 3. Concerns about a physician's pain management prescribing.
- 4. Concerns about a physician's pain management prescribing.
- 5. Concerns about a physician's professional boundaries with a patient.
- 6. Concerns that a physician failed to provide complete and accurate information on an application for an lowa medical license.
- 7. Concerns about a physician's prescribing to a family member and poor recordkeeping.
- 8. Concerns about a physician's post-operative care.
- 9. Concerns about a physician's treatment of a patient suffering from diabetic ketoacidosis.

CIVIL PENA	LTIES					
		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
TOTAL LICENSEES		11	12	12	9	11
DOLLAR AMOUNT	1,000	0	0	0	3	2
	1,500	0	0	0	1	0
	2,000	0	0	0	0	2
	2,500	4	1	5	2	4
	3,000	0	0	1	0	0
	4,000					1
	5,000	5	11	5	3	2
	7,500	0	0	0	0	0
	10,000	2	0	0	0	0
TOTAL PENALTIES		\$55,000	\$57,500	\$40,500	\$ 24,500	\$30,000

The Board may issue an order to discipline a licensee, including imposing a civil penalty (fine) not to exceed \$10,000. Penalties are deposited in the general fund of the State of Iowa. The Board does not benefit from the fines it imposes. The Board is funded with licensure fees.

### **COMPLIANCE, LICENSURE ACTIONS - 2021 ORDERS**

The following are summaries of the Board of Medicine's public Orders issued in 2021, including compliance actions and licensure requirement waivers. The documents for these Orders are available at <a href="https://www.medicalboard.iowa.gov">www.medicalboard.iowa.gov</a>:

Adolfson, Troy E.
Allyn, Jeffery L.
Anderson, Christina R.
Andrews, Richard V.
Bharill, Parth S.
Blunk, Richard C.
Bollinger, Allen R.
Colby, Dennis E.
Ellingson, Derek J.
Friemel, Susannah P.
George, Ted P.

Gupta, Sameer
Iler, Linda M.
Iles, Lynette I.
Ingle, Gregory L.
Jovanovich, Alexandar
Kirsch, Janice A.
LeClair, Erica N.
McRae, Sharon L.
Nayima, Vuong A.
Novak, Thomas A.
Obamwonyi, Andrew O.

Otoadese, Eromosele A.
Overton, Roy W., III
Parkinson, Laura M.L.
Rexroth, Jason A.
Rosman, Mary P.
Smith, Adam B.
Stalvey, Christopher F.
Standing, Larry J.
Waack, Barry J.
Wirtanen, Donald R.
Yaghmour, Nisreen

Troy E. Adolfson, M.D. License No.: MD-44816 Date of Order: 02/18/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty; prohibited from prescribing, administering or dispensing controlled substances for the treatment of chronic pain under lowa medical license; placed on probation for a period of five years. Basis: Felony Criminal Conviction.

Jeffery L. Allyn, M.D. License No.: MD-48629 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Granted permanent lowa medical license; Complete recommendations in CPEP's Evaluation Report. Basis: Not engaged in the practice of medicine in the United States or Canada in over three years.

Christina R. Anderson, M.D. License No.: MD-49026 Date of Order: 09/30/2021

Action: Granted permanent lowa medical license; restricted from providing care to any patients in an inpatient setting under lowa medical license except for certain terms; placed on probation for a period of three years. Basis: Concerns Raised by Residency Training.

Richard V. Andrews, M.D. License No.: MD-20728 Date of Order: 09/09/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty.

Basis: Action taken by the Nebraska Department of Health and

Human Services and Failure to Report Disciplinary Action.

Richard V. Andrews, M.D. License No.: MD-20728 Date of Order: 11/10/2021

Action: Terms of September 9, 2021, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of September 9, 2021, Order.

Parth S. Bharill, M.D. License No.: MD-49165 Date of Order: 11/02/2021

Action: Granted permanent Iowa medical license: indefinitely prohibited from prescribing or administering controlled substances except during the performance of gastroenterology procedures where such controlled substances are necessary for completion of the procedure; issued Citation and Warning. Basis: Convicted of a felony offense; actions taken by the Florida Board of Medicine, the West Virginia Board of Medicine and the Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine.

Richard C. Blunk, M.D. License No.: MD-39153 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Terms of June 3, 2016, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of June 3, 2016, Order.

Allan R. Bollinger, D.O. License No.: DO-02348 Date of Order: 02/15/2021 Action: Terms of February 15, 2018, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of February 15, 2018, Order.

Dennis Colby, D.O. License No.: DO-01801 Date of Order: 09/30/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty; prohibited from prescribing or administering controlled substances; placed on probation for a period of three years; ordered to pay hearing fee. Basis: Action taken by the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice.

Derek J. Ellingson, D.O. License No.: DO-05620 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Terms June 30, 2020, Consent Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of June 30, 2020, Order.

Susannah P. Friemel, M.D. License No.: MD-37387 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Terms of August 28, 2020, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of August 28, 2020, Order.

Ted P. George, D.O. License No.: DO-01875 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Prohibition from prescribing, administering or dispensing controlled substances for the treatment of chronic pain under lowa

medical license, terminated. Basis: Successfully compliance with terms of May 15, 2020, Order.

Sameer Gupta, M.D. License No.: MD-40535 Date of Order: 02/18/2021 Action: Terms of August 2, 2019,

Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of August 2, 2019, Order.

Linda M. Iler. M.D. License No.: MD-22528 Date of Order: 02/18/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; ordered to complete a CPEP comprehensive clinical competency evaluation; ordered to fully comply with all CPEP recommendations. Basis: Violated a confidential Evaluation Order.

Linda M. Iler. M.D. License No.: MD-22528 Date of Order: 09/30/2021 Action: Voluntary Surrender of Iowa Medical License. Basis: Professional Incompetency.

Lvnette I. Iles. M.D. License No.: MD-30293 Date of Order: 08/19/2021 Action: Issued Citation and Warning: Voluntary Surrender of

Iowa Medical License. Basis: Professional Incompetency; Failure to Comply with a Board Subpoena; Failure to Comply with a Board Investigation.

Gregory L. Ingle, D.O. License No.: DO-01695 Date of Order: 04/15/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty; ordered to complete bioigo prescribing course; ordered to complete recordkeeping course; placed on probation for a period of five years. Basis: Professional Incompetency.

Alexandar Jovanovich, M.D. License No.: MD-44840 Date of Order: 10/21/2021

Action: Terms of August 28, 2020, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated.

Basis: Successfully completed terms of August 28, 2020, Order.

Janice A. Kirsch, M.D. License No.: MD-28825 Date of Order: 02/15/2021

Action: Terms of February 15, 2018, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of February 15,

2018, Order.

Sharon L. McRae, M.D. License No.: MD-39958 Date of Order: 01/14/2021

Suspension of Iowa Action: medical license. Basis: Action taken by the Michigan Board of Medicine.

Vuong A. Nayima, D.O. License No.: DO-04341 Date of Order: 04/15/2021

Action: Terms of August 28, 2020, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Successfully completed terms of August 28, 2020, Order.

Thomas A. Novak, M.D. License No.: MD-25505 Date of Order: 09/30/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty; permanently prohibited from prescribing, administering dispensing controlled substance for the treatment of chronic pain under lowa medical license; placed on probation for a period of five years. Basis: Professional Incompetency.

Andrew O. Obamwonyi, M.D. License No.: MD- MD-39987 Date of Order: 09/30/2021

Issued Citation and Action: Warning; placed on probation for a period of five years; ordered to pay hearing fee. Basis: Professional

Incompetency.

Eromosele A. Otoadese, M.D. License No.: MD-28663 Date of Order: 09/09/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty; Restricted performing from peripheral arterial procedures under

lowa medical license. Basis: Professional Incompetency.

Roy W. Overton, III, D.O. License No.: DO-02075 Date of Order: 05/13/2021

Issued Citation and Action: Warning; assessed civil penalty; complete additional training; create corrective action plan; and establish monitoring plan. Basis: Inadequate PA Supervision.

Laura M.L. Parkinson, L.Ac License No.: A-91 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty.

Basis: Unethical Conduct.

Laura M.L. Parkinson, L.Ac License No.: A-91 Date of Order: 09/09/2021 Action: Terms of June 3, 2021. combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Successfully completed Basis: terms of June 3, 2021, Order.

Jason A. Rexroth, M.D. License No.: MD-35016 Date of Order: 06/03/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty. Basis: Professional Incompetency.

Jason A. Rexroth, M.D. License No.: MD-35016 Date of Order: 09/09/2021

Action: Terms of June 3, 2021. combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Successfully completed Basis: terms of June 3, 2021, Order.

Mary P. Rosman, D.O. License No.: DO-02054 Date of Order: 10/21/2021

**Action:** Prohibition from prescribing. administering or dispensing controlled substances for the treatment of chronic pain under Iowa medical license. terminated. Basis: Successfully compliance with terms of March 26, 2020, Order.

Adam B. Smith, M.D. License No.: MD-41668 Date of Order: 02/18/2021

Action: Voluntary surrender of Iowa medical license. Basis: Professional Incompetency: Practice Harmful or Detrimental to the Public: Unethical Unprofessional or Conduct: Inappropriate Prescribing: Improper Management of Medical Records: Knowingly Making Misleading, Deceptive, Untrue or Fraudulent Representations in the Practice of Medicine and Surgery; Action taken by the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners.

Christopher F. Stalvey, D.O. License No.: DO-04121 Date of Order: 07/23/2021

Action: Issued Citation and Warning; assessed civil penalty; ordered to complete professional boundaries course; referred to lowa Physician Health Program (IPHP); placed on probation for a period of two years. Basis: Unethical or Unprofessional Conduct.

Larry J. Standing, D.O. License No.: DO-02762 Date of Order: 04/15/2021

Action: Terms of February 17, 2017, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of February 17, 2017, Order.

Barry J. Waack, D.O. License No.: DO-04386 Date of Order: 12/14/2021

Action: Terms of December 14, 2018, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of December 14, 2018, Order.

Donald R. Wirtanen, D.O. License No.: DO-02100 Date of Order: 02/15/2021

Action: Terms of February 15, 2018, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement terminated. Basis: Successfully completed terms of February 15, 2018, Order.

Nisreen Yaghmour, M.D. License No.: MD-47955 Date of Order: 03/02/2021

Action: Agrees to not performing clinical cardiac electrophysiology procedures under lowa medical license. Basis: February 2019

Restriction of Privileges.

### **ALTERNATE MEMBERS**

Alternate members of the Board of Medicine play an important role in contested case hearings. Up to three alternates can serve on a six-member panel for a hearing when a quorum (six members) of the 10 current members of the Board is not available. Since it was authorized by law in 2008 and implemented in 2009, the Alternate pool is routinely tapped for hearings. Alternates are recommended by the Board, but must be approved by the Governor. An Alternate's term is nine years. Alternates receive a per diem and expenses. Alternates serving in 2021 were:

### **ALTERNATE MEMBERS**

**APPOINTED** 

Ronald Cheney, D.O., Carroll

May 17, 2018

CONTESTED CASE HEARINGS						
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
HEARING	1	0	2	1	3	
HEARING USING ALTERNATES	0	0	1	0	0	
SETTLED WITHOUT HEARING	19	23	15	22	13	

### PEER REVIEWS

In addition to three public members, the Board of Medicine includes seven physicians, representing at most seven specialties. Complaints about lowa physicians, however, cross the spectrum of specialties, from anesthesiology to urology. Therefore, in competency issues expertise in a given case may not be available on the Board when the case is discussed. If, after a case has been investigated and discussed at the Board level, specialty expert opinion is needed to fairly determine if the standard of care has or has not been met, a formal peer review may be requested. Don Woodhouse, M.D., the Board's medical advisor, will recruit physicians to serve on a committee to review a case file, which includes the investigative report, interviews with the complainant, witnesses and the physician involved, and pertinent medical records. The peer reviewers then discuss their findings and determinations amongst themselves and submit a formal report to the Board for consideration. Iowa physicians who are interested in serving as a peer reviewer may contact Dr. Woodhouse at (515) 242-3229. An instruction manual for peer reviewers is available at <a href="https://www.medicalboard.iowa.gov">www.medicalboard.iowa.gov</a>

PEER REVIEWS						
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
ORDERED	17	12	5	10	10	
COMPLETED	16	9	16	9	6	

The Board of Medicine is fortunate to have dedicated, competent personnel who take their jobs, and the Board's mission, seriously. Every day, these men and women perform licensure and regulatory enforcement duties that enable the Board to protect the health of lowans.

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