

DISCIPLINARY ACTION REPORT

EDITORS: Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-114 requires the Department of Health to issue a monthly press release listing all disciplinary actions taken by the health related boards during the prior month. Below is a list of actions taken during the month of July 2006. *Detailed information about disciplinary actions is available on our web site at www.tennessee.gov/health. Click on "License Verification" and enter the name of the person. When the license information comes up, click on "disciplinary action" and then "view board order."*

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

Licensee: Rudy W. Young, DDS, Jackson, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use of intoxicating liquors, narcotics, controlled substances, or other drugs or stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the person's ability to practice dentistry; dispensing, prescribing or otherwise distributing any controlled substance or any other drug not in the course of professional practice, or not in good faith to relieve pain and suffering, or not to cure an ailment, physical infirmity or disease; prescribing controlled substances for a habitual drug use in the absence of substantial dental justification; prescribing drugs for other than legitimate dental purposes
Action: License suspended until certain terms and conditions are met; thereafter to be placed on Probation for 10 years

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: Ryan S. Bonanno, AT-C, Chattanooga, TN
Violation: Practicing without a license
Action: Assessed \$1,000 in civil penalties

Licensee: Ernest K. Johnson, M.D., Nashville, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; gross malpractice, or a pattern of continued or repeated malpractice; ignorance, negligence, or incompetence in the course of medical practice
Action: Reprimanded

Licensee: Howard C. Pomeroy, M.D., Nashville, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct, in particular, pursuant to the Medical Examiners' Policy Statement concerning a physician's treating and
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prescribing medications to his or her immediate family members; dispensing, prescribing or otherwise distributing any controlled substance or any other drug not in the course of professional practice, or not in good faith to relieve pain and suffering, or not to cure an ailment, physical infirmity or disease, or in amounts and/or for durations not medically necessary, advisable or justified for a diagnosed condition, and in particular rules concerning the documenting or treatment with controlled substances

Action: License placed on Probation for five years; must complete an Assessment; must obtain the advocacy of the Tennessee Medical Foundation; must complete continuing education; assessed \$5,040 in civil penalties and assessed case costs

Licensee: Robert J. Pomphrey, M.D, Gleason, TN

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct

Action: Reprimanded; assessed \$1,500 in civil penalties; assessed case costs; must meet certain terms and conditions

Licensee: Joyce Ann Rawls, M.D., Macon, GA

Violation: Out of State Action

Action: Reprimanded; must complete continuing education; assessed case costs

Licensee: Cynthia Shearer, M.D., Nashville, TN

Violation: Engaging in the practice of medicine when mentally or physically unable to do so safely

Action: License Suspended (final resolution of previous summary suspension)

Licensee: William D. Shippen, Jr., M.D., Clarksville, TN

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct

Action: License placed on Probation for the term of his Tennessee Medical Foundation contract; assessed \$2,500 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

BOARD OF NURSING

Licensee: Yolanda Adair, LPN, Nashville, TN

Violation: Addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; unprofessional conduct; use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty

Action: License Revoked; assessed \$2,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

Licensee: Donna Greenland, RN, Millington, TN

Violation: Unprofessional conduct; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies or equipment from any work place location; engaging in acts of dishonesty related to the practice of nursing

Action: License Revoked; assessed \$2,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

Licensee: Rosa L. Hatch, LPN, Bolivar, TN

Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty

Action: License Revoked; assessed \$1,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

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Licensee: Tammy P. Herron, RN, Ripley, TN
Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any controlled substance; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies or equipment from any work place location; engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing
Action: License Suspended for two years; to be followed by Probation for five years

Licensee: Laura E. (Thompson) Lancaster, RN, Knoxville, TN
Violation: Violation of board order
Action: License Revoked; assessed \$500.00 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

Licensee: Sandra J. Matthews, RN, Ashland City, TN
Violation: Guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license to practice nursing; guilty of a crime; violation of a board order
Action: License Revoked; assessed \$1,500 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

Licensee: Pamela C. Rice, RN, Nashville, TN
Violation: Guilty of a crime; unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and interventions for the patient; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent or unintelligible entries in any patient records pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any controlled substance; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies or equipment from any work place location; use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty
Action: License Revoked; assessed \$5,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

Licensee: Marsha Scott, LPN, Lexington, TN
Violation: Guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct
Action: License Revoked; assessed \$2,000 in civil penalties

Licensee: Denise A. Taylor, LPN, Surgoinsville, TN
Violation: Guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; out of state action
Action: License Revoked; assessed \$2,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

Licensee: Deborah J. Adams, Unlicensed, Madison, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; practicing without a license
Action: Assessed \$54,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

Licensee: Linda Waldrop, RCA, Hornsby, TN
Violation: Immoral, unethical, unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; habitual intoxication or personal misuse of narcotics, controlled substances or any other drugs or the use of alcoholic beverages or stimulants in such a manner as to adversely affect the person's ability to practice respiratory care
Action: License Revoked; assessed \$1,000 in civil penalties; and assessed case costs

BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Licensee: Mell James, EMT-P, Clarksville, TN
Violation: Failure to report patient care which accurately reflects the evaluation and treatment of each patient; abandoning or neglecting a patient requiring emergency care, following assumption of duty
Action: Reprimanded; license placed on Probation for six months; must complete continuing education

JUNE 2006 ABUSE REGISTRY PLACEMENTS

Individual: Tiffany Bates, Housekeeper, Memphis
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Roberta Branam, unlicensed operator, LaFollette
Abuse: Gross Negligence
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Stacey Renee Cox, RN, Nashville
Abuse: Theft/Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Cedric Grave, Direct Care Staff, Jackson
Abuse: Neglect
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: JoAnna Hooks, Home Manager, Jamestown
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Yolanda Kamacho, Direct Care Staff, Clarksville
Abuse: Physical
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Tarsha Lashell Lilly, CNA, Memphis
Abuse: Physical
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry
CNA Revoked

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JUNE 2006 ABUSE REGISTRY PLACEMENTS (cont.)

Individual: Pamela Martin, CNA, Maryville
Abuse: Physical
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry
CNA Revoked

Individual: Corey Mims, CNA, Memphis
Abuse: Sexual
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry
CNA Revoked

Individual: Tammy Tipton, Development Tech/CNA, Greeneville
Abuse: Physical
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry
CNA Revoked

Individual: William Webb, Home Manager, Nashville
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Carlestia Ann Whatley, LPN, Chattanooga
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Shelia White, Direct Care Staff
Abuse: Verbal/Emotional
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Dominique Wilkins, Housekeeper, Memphis
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Jimmy Young, Direct Care Staff, Memphis
Abuse: Physical/Emotional
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

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