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 September 2004. 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 COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES

Licensee: Scott A. Stacy, SLP, Richmond, VA  
Violation: Failure to comply with continuing education requirements  
Action: Assessed $150 in civil penalties and required to complete 15 hours of continuing education within 90 days

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

Licensee: Roderick A. Branch, D.D.S., Memphis  
Violation: Unprofessional conduct, failing to provide the patient's authorized representative a copy or summary of such patient's medical records  
Action: Letter of Reprimand

Licensee: Laura Dove, D.D.S., Memphis  
Violation: Inappropriate prescribing with lack of documentation  
Action: Probation lifted, complied with Board Order

Licensee: William Hinds, D.D.S., Soddy Daisy  
Violation: Unprofessional conduct; criminal conviction  
Action: License revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: D. Carl Jackson, D.D.S., Nashville  
Violation: Unprofessional conduct, out of state discipline  
Action: Letter of Reprimand

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BOARD OF DENTISTRY (CONT.)

Licensee: Gertrude Lowe, Jackson
Violation: Unlicensed
Action: The Respondent is assessed $54,400 in civil penalties. The civil penalties will be stayed until the May 12, 2005 Board of Dentistry hearing. The Respondent must sale the practice to a person licensed to practice dentistry in Tennessee and that the Respondent no longer owns or operates Mid-South, or the Respondent has permanently closed Mid-South and, as a result, is no longer involved in its operation.

Licensee: Eugene Stinson, D.D.S., Kodak
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable, or unethical conduct
Action: Letter of Reprimand

Licensee: Albert P. Thompson, Jr., D.D.S., Memphis
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable, or unethical conduct; gross malpractice, or a pattern of continued or repeated malpractice, ignorance, negligence or incompetence in the course of professional practice; engaging in the practice of dentistry when physically unable to safely do so; conducting the practice of dentistry so as to permit directly or indirectly an unlicensed person to perform services or work which can be done legally only by a licensed person; permitting any dental hygienist or dental assistant to perform any acts or services other than those specifically assignable or delegable
Action: License placed on probation for 3 years with terms and conditions; must pay $100 civil penalty and court costs

Violation: Inappropiate prescribing with lack of documentation
Action: Probation lifted by Board Order

BOARD OF MASSAGE LICENSURE

Licensee: Leah Kay Sharp, LMT, Antioch
Violation: Failure to comply with continuing education requirements
Action: License placed on probation until such time as she complies with Board Order; assessed $150 in civil penalties; required to complete 25 hours of continuing education

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BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: Ralph M. Bard, M.D., Tullahoma
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: License suspended for four months; thereafter licensee is restricted from performing surgical procedures; may participate in a mini-residency in surgery, but must seek the approval of the Board of Medical Examiners; must present a copy of the order to the Medical Director of each facility or institution where he has or will have privileges.

Licensee: Tracy Brandon, MX, Olive Branch, Mississippi
Violation: Practicing without a valid Tennessee x-ray certification
Action: Letter of Reprimand

Licensee: Gregory Scott Carroll, M.D., Memphis
Violation: Out of State Action
Action: License placed on probation for five years; however if Arkansas license is not unencumbered within nine months, stayed Revocation will go into effect

Licensee: Jerry U. Carter, M.D., Dyersburg
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; conviction of a felony; prescribing violations
Action: License revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Wendell E. Gordon, M.D., Fort McClellan, AL
Violation: Out of State Action
Action: License permanently revoked; assessed costs

Licensee: Carl Klein, Jr., M.D., Knoxville
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable and unethical conduct; gross malpractice, or a pattern of continued or repeated malpractice, ignorance, negligence or incompetence in the course of medical practice; 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; dispensing, prescribing or otherwise distributing to any person a controlled substance or other drug if such person is addicted to the habit of using controlled substances without making a bona fide effort to cure the habit of such patient; dispensing, prescribing or otherwise distributing to any person in violation of any law of the state or the United States; engaging in the practice of medicine when mentally or physically unable to safely do so.
Action: License summarily suspended; assessed costs

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BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS (CONT.)

Licensee: Patricia R. Walters, M.D., Columbia  
Violation: Unprofessional conduct; prescribing violations  
Action: License surrendered; assessed costs

Licensee: Michael F. Warren, M.D., Charleston, SC  
Violation: Out of State Action  
Action: Reprimanded; assessed costs; license suspended, that suspension to be stayed, for the duration of the stayed suspension of his license to practice in South Carolina. Upon the South Carolina stayed suspension being lifted, the Respondent must appear before the Board and petition for the lifting of the Tennessee stayed suspension

BOARD OF NURSING

Licensee: Steven Caine, RN, Greeneville  
Violation: Conviction of a felony  
Action: License Revoked

Licensee: Pamela Paulette Clement, RN, Abita Springs, LA  
Violation: Out of State Action  
Action: License Revoked

Licensee: Ida M. Gore, LPN, Cookeville  
Violation: 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 or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other workplace location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; failing to take appropriate action in safeguarding the patient from incompetent health care practices; performing nursing techniques or procedures without proper education and practice  
Action: License revoked for a minimum of one year; must enroll in a legal/ethical issues and standards of practice course that has been pre-approved by the Board; must satisfy all requirements ordered by the Court

Licensee: Cynthia J. Henderson, RN, Hermitage  
Violation: Drug Diversion  
Action: License placed on Probation for three years; must continue counseling; must submit to random drug screens; must submit quarterly reports

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BOARD OF NURSING (CONT.)

Licensee: Wanda M. Hunt, LPN, Harriman
Violation: Unprofessional conduct; engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to practice of nursing
Action: Reprimand

Licensee: Debra P. Jackson, LPN, Rockwood
Violation: Practicing on an expired license
Action: Assessed $1,350 in civil penalties

Licensee: Heather Keylon, LPN, Martin
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
Action: License revoked

Licensee: Carolyn Leedy, RN, Old Hickory
Violation: Addicted to alcohol or drugs to degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; failure to maintain a record of 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 or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any uncontrolled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal or narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution or work place location; engaging in acts of dishonesty, which relate to the practice of nursing.
Action: License placed on probation for five years; must enter into contract with the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program and maintain advocacy

Licensee: Jack McCarroll, RN, Arlington
Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits, or other causes; addicted to alcohol or drugs to the degree of interfering with nursing duties; guilty of unprofessional conduct; making false or materially incorrect, inconsistent, or unintelligible entries in any patient records or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing, or administration of any controlled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substance Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution, or other work place location.
Action: License placed on probation for a period of no less than four years; must maintain advocacy of the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program

Licensee: Sandra McCulley, RN, Cleveland
Violation: Drug Diversion
Action: License Revoked

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Licensee: Latricia Palmer, LPN, Spring City
Violation: Unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; Failure to maintain a record of 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 or in the records of any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location pertaining to the obtaining, possessing or administration of any uncontrolled substance as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal or narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution or work place location; use of any intoxicating beverage or the illegal use of any narcotic or dangerous drug while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; Being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; performing nursing techniques or procedures without proper education and practice; engaging in acts of dishonesty, which relate to the practice of nursing.
Action: License revoked

Licensee: Stephanie A. Person, RN, Memphis
Violation: Unprofessional conduct; intentionally or negligently causing physical or emotional injury to a patient
Action: License suspended

Licensee: Alice Sinks, RN/LPN, Charlotte
Violation: Unprofessional conduct; intentionally or negligently causing physical or emotional injury to the patient; failing to take appropriate action in safeguarding the patient from incompetent health care practices; performing nursing techniques or procedures without proper education and practice.
Action: License placed on probation for two years; must complete 15 hours of continuing education in Ethics and Communication; assessed $500 in civil penalties

Licensee: Beth Stephens, RN, Columbia
Violation: Guilty of a crime
Action: License revoked; may not reapply for four years or until she has submitted proof of having satisfied the requirements of her criminal probation; must pay $500 civil penalty before reapplication

Licensee: Ethel B. Wallace, LPN, Memphis
Violation: Drug Diversion
Action: License placed on probation for three years or if a Tennessee Professional Assistance Program Contract is necessary, for the length of the contract

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BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

Licensee: Teddy Ray Wagner, RRT, Lindale, GA  
Violation: Conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude  
Action: License revoked; assessed $200 in civil penalties

BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKER CERTIFICATION AND LICENSURE

Licensee: Eleanor S. Hampton, LCSW, Knoxville, TN  
Violation: Submitted an altered copy of license to obtain a Medicare Enrollment  
Action: Reprimand

Licensee: William M. Tillery, LCSW, Maryville, TN  
Violation: Conflict of Interest  
Action: Reprimand

BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: Donald Bryan, DVM, Ardmore  
Violation: Unprofessional or unethical conduct, or engaging in practice in connection with the practice of veterinary medicine which are in violation of the standards of professional conduct; dispensing, prescribing, or otherwise distributing any controlled substance or any other drug not in the course of the accepted practice of veterinary medicine; failure to maintain a record for each companion animal which accurately reflects the veterinary problems and interventions.  
Action: License voluntarily surrendered

Licensee: Charles Patrick, Jr., DVM, Fayetteville  
Violation: Unprofessional or unethical conduct, or engaging in practice in connection with the practice of veterinary medicine which are in violation of the standards of professional conduct; conviction of a felony; practicing veterinary medicine in this state on a lapsed license; engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of veterinary medicine  
Action: License revoked

SEPTEMBER 2004 ABUSE REGISTRY PLACEMENTS

Individual: Donna Johnson, CNA, McMinnville  
Violation: Verbal Abuse while working in a licensed or certified facility  
Action: Nurse Aide Certification Revoked  
Placed on State Abuse Registry

Individual: Kayla Booker, CNA, Columbia  
Violation: Theft/Misappropriation of Property while working in a licensed or certified facility  
Action: Nurse Aide Certification Revoked  
Placed on State Abuse Registry
Individual: Ramona Albright, Unknown, Mulberry  
Violation: Theft/Misappropriation of Property while working in a licensed or certified facility  
Action: Placed on State Abuse Registry

Individual: Renetia Teasley, CNA, Nashville  
Violation: Theft/Misappropriation of Property while working in a licensed or certified facility  
Action: Nurse Aide Certification Revoked  
Placed on State Abuse Registry

Individual: Oria Thomas, CNA, Madison  
Violation: Theft/Misappropriation of Property while working in a licensed or certified facility  
Action: Nurse Aide Certification Revoked  
Placed on State Abuse Registry

Individual: Neal Campbell, Unknown, Trenton  
Violation: Sexual Abuse while working in a licensed or certified facility  
Action: Placed on State Abuse Registry

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