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 April 2008. 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 MEDICAL EXAMINERS

(Practitioner was disciplined March 18, 2008, and information was not furnished in time for Press Release.)

Licensee: Donald D. Gold, M.D., Paris, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; and 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.
Action: License placed on probation for not less than five (5) years; must meet certain terms and conditions; and assessed costs.

(Practitioner was disciplined January 22, 2008, and information was not furnished in time for Press Release.)

Licensee: Leslie Dawn Herman, M.D., Chattanooga, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; violation or attempted violation, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto, or any criminal statute of Tennessee; which prohibits 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 medicine.
Action: License Revoked until completion of Rehabilitation; maintain lifetime advocacy with TMF; assessed $3,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.