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 October 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 DENTISTRY

Licensee: Della Denise Boddie, D.A., Mason, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this chapter.
Action: Registration placed on probation until outstanding balance of fines and costs are paid in full with criminal sentence.

Licensee: Stephanie Jutlie Brady, D.A., Gallatin, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this chapter.
Action: Registration placed on to run concurrent criminal probation.

Licensee: Christy Eileen Fraser, D.A., Franklin, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this chapter.
Action: Registration placed on probation to run coterminous with criminal probation; and must meet certain terms and conditions.

Licensee: Nicholas O. Gerard, D.D.S., Billings, MT
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and disciplinary action against a person licensed to practice dentistry or dental hygiene or registered to practice as a dental assistant by another state or territory of the United States for any acts or
omissions that would constitute grounds for discipline of a person licensed or registered in this state.

**Action:** Must maintain advocacy of the Concerned Dental Professional Committee (CDPC) for a period of no less than five (5) years.

**Licensee:** Laterra Nicole Logue, D.A., LaVergne, TN  
**Violation:** Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this chapter.

**Action:** Registration placed on probation for one (1) year.

**Licensee:** Summer Monique Longmire, D.A., Nashville, TN  
**Violation:** Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this chapter.

**Action:** Registration placed on probation for one (1) year to run coterminous with criminal probation.

**Licensee:** Chelesa LaRae Parks, D.A., Dover, TN  
**Violation:** Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal drug laws or conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude; and any other unprofessional or unethical conduct that may be specified by the board by the means of rules and regulations duly published and promulgated by the board, or the violation of any provision of this chapter.

**Action:** Registration placed on probation for one (1) year to run coterminous with criminal probation.

**BOARD OF MASSAGE LICENSURE**

**Licensee:** George E. Cavagnaro, L.M.T., Whiteville, TN  
**Violation:** Has been convicted in a court of competent jurisdiction of an offense that constitutes a felony under the laws of this state; and has violated any of the provisions of this part or any substantive rule promulgated under the authority of this part; and has been convicted of sexual misconduct, assignation or the solicitation or attempt thereof.

**Action:** License revoked

**Licensee:** Marjorie D. Oakley, L.M.T., Columbia, TN  
**Violation:** Has violated any of the provisions of this part or any substantive rule promulgated under the authority of this part; and has practiced as a licensed therapist in an unlicensed massage establishment.

**Action:** License reprimanded, assessed $1,500.00 in civil penalties.
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: Peter T. Gardner, M.D., Jackson, TN.
Violation: 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 this board pursuant thereto, or any criminal statute of the state of Tennessee; and habitual intoxication or personal misuse of any drugs or the use to intoxicating liquors, narcotics, controlled substances or other drugs stimulants in such manner as to adversely affect the person’s ability to practice medicine.
Action: License to remain on probation, restricted and confined to medical care rendered in conjunction with training in the University of Tennessee Family Residency Program, Jackson, TN. Prior to lifting of this restriction, must obtain the advocacy of the TMF and appear before the board; assessed $500.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

Licensee: Jerry L. Slay, M.D., Brentwood, TN
Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; and 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 this board pursuant thereto.
Action: License revoked, assessed costs.

BOARD OF NURSING

Licensee: Suzanne R. Bajestani, L.P.N., Chattanooga, TN
Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of this board pursuant thereto; failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the nursing problems and interventions for the patient and/or failure to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the name and title of the nurse providing care; 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 substances as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act; unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.
Action: License suspended, assessed costs.

Licensee: Brandy N. Boyd, L.P.N., Hillsboro, TN
Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of this board pursuant thereto; and unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location.
Action: License revoked, assessed $1,000.00, plus costs.
Licensee: Sandra Y. Byrd, R.N., Johnson City, TN
Violation: Has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of this board pursuant thereto.
Action: License revoked, assessed $500.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
Licensee: Pamela Jo Church, L.P.N., Memphis, TN
Violation: Unprofessional conduct, unfitness, or incompetency by reasons of negligence habits or other causes; and disciplinary action against a person by another state.
Action: License revoked, assessed $50.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
Licensee: Veronica M. Dorsett, L.P.N., Trenton, TN
Violation: Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct; has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of this board pursuant thereto; and being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, or under the influence of drugs which impair judgment while on duty in any health care facility, school, institution or other work place location.
Action: License suspended, and assessed costs.
Licensee: Felia Bernice Eubanks, L.P.N., Covington, TN
Violation: Is guilty of fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting to procure a license to practice nursing; guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; and has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of this board pursuant thereto.
Action: License revoked, assessed $1500.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
Licensee: Betty L. Fuson, L.P.N., Mooresburg, TN
Violation: Guilty of a crime; and unprofessional conduct.
Action: License revoked, assessed $2,250.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
Licensee: Heidi Haralson, Unlicensed, Fairview, TN
Violation: Guilty of practicing nursing after her license was revoked.
Action: Assessed $14,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
Licensee: Mary M. Hopper, L.P.N., Bruceton, TN
Violation: Guilty of a crime; unprofessional conduct; and unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any health care facility school, institution or other work place location.
Action: License revoked, assessed $1,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
Licensee: Cynthia T. Huddleston, L.P.N., Memphis, TN
Violation: Unprofessional conduct; and has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisted in or abetted the violation of, or conspired to violate, any provision of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto.
Action: License revoked, assessed $2,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.
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<td>board issued pursuant thereto; and practicing professional nursing inconsistent with T.C.A.§ 63-7-108.</td>
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<td>Leigh Danielle Messick, R.N.,</td>
<td>Guilty of a crime; unfit or incompetent by reasons of negligence, habits or other cause; unprofessional conduct, and engaging in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.</td>
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<td>Unprofessional conduct; and has violated or attempted to violate, directly or indirectly, or</td>
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<td>Phillip Brett Summit, R.N.,</td>
<td>Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habits or other cause; is addicted to alcohol or</td>
<td>License revoked, assessed $25,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.</td>
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<td>Melanie A. Ward, R.N., Memphis,</td>
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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 substances as defined in the Federal Controlled Substances Act;
unauthorized use or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies, or equipment from any
health care facility, school, institution or other work place location; and engaging
in acts of dishonesty which relate to the practice of nursing.

Action: License revoked, assessed $4,000.00 in civil penalties, plus costs.

BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: Vincent Brendan Longobardo, D.P.M., Crossville, TN
Violation: Failed to properly maintain sufficient continuing education credits.
Action: Must complete fifteen (15) hours of continuing education, and assessed $100.00
in civil penalties.

Licensee: Gary M. Mantell, D.P.M., Memphis, TN
Violation: Failed to properly maintain sufficient continuing education credits.
Action: Must complete fifteen (15) hours of continuing education, and assessed $100.00
in civil penalties.

Licensee: David B. Trenner, D.P.M., Franklin, TN
Violation: Failed to properly maintain sufficient continuing education credits.
Action: Must complete fifteen (15) hours of continuing education, and assessed $100.00
in civil penalties.

OCTOBER 2008 ABUSE REGISTRY PLACEMENTS

Individual: Douglas Harris, Kingsport, TN
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Alyse Clements, Memphis, TN
Abuse: Neglect
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Brandy K. Maddison, Johnson City, TN
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Katrina Frizzell, Greeneville, TN
Abuse: Physical/Verbal/Emotional/Neglect
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry

Individual: Vernie Lee Mathes, Mosheim, TN
Abuse: Misappropriation
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry
Individual: Nicole Murphy, Memphis, TN
Abuse: Neglect
Action: Placed on Abuse Registry