

NOTICE TO PHYSICIANS

Reminder to Physicians Regarding Additional Grounds for Disciplinary Action CLIENT BILLING

T.C.A. § 63-6-214. Grounds for license denial, suspension or revocation - Reporting misconduct.

a) The board has the power to:

- (1) Deny an application for a license to any applicant who applies for the same through reciprocity or otherwise;
- (2) Permanently or temporarily withhold issuance of a license;
- (3) Suspend or limit or restrict a previously issued license for such time and in such manner as the board may determine;
- (4) Reprimand or take such action in relation to disciplining an applicant or licensee, including, but not limited to, informal settlements, private censures and warnings, as the board in its discretion may deem proper; or
- (5) Permanently revoke a license

(b) The grounds upon which the board shall exercise such power include, but are not limited to:

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(22) No person licensed in this state to practice medicine shall agree or contract with any clinical, bioanalytical or hospital laboratory, wherever located, to pay such laboratory for anatomic pathology services or cytology services and thereafter include such costs in the bill or statement submitted to the patient or any entity or person for payment, unless the practitioner discloses on the bill or statement, or in writing by a separate disclosure statement in a minimum print size of ten (10) font, the name and address of the laboratory and the net amount or amounts paid or to be paid to the laboratory for the anatomic pathology services or cytology services. The provisions of this subdivision (b)(22) shall not apply to the state or any local government.

Be aware that failure to strictly adhere to this statute could result in disciplinary action before the Board.