

## DISCIPLINARY ACTION REPORT

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -- Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-114 requires the Tennessee Department of Health to issue a monthly media release listing all disciplinary actions taken by the health related boards during the prior month. Below is a list of actions taken in March 2012. *Detailed information about disciplinary actions is available on our website at <http://health.state.tn.us/Licensure/index.htm>. Enter the name of the person. When the license information comes up, click either "disciplinary action" or "adverse licensure action" in the right column.*

### **BOARD OF DIETITIAN/NUTRITIONIST EXAMINERS**

Licensee: Sarah, E. Griswold, D/N, Knoxville, Tenn.  
Violation: Practiced on expired license  
Action: Assessed \$500 civil penalty

Licensee: Amy Knittle, D/N., Franklin, Tenn.  
Violation: Practiced on expired license  
Action: Assessed \$50 civil penalty

### **BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS**

Individual: Dawn L. Beatty, Unlicensed, West Chester, Ohio\*  
Violation: Immoral, unprofessional or dishonorable conduct  
Action: Letter of Reprimand

Individual: Herbert E. Lewis, Unlicensed, Franklin, Tenn.\*  
Violation: Practicing as Dispensing Optician without being properly registered with the board  
Action: Letter of Reprimand

*\*These individuals were was disciplined on April 20, 2011*

### **BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

Licensee: Sarah B. Booker, EMT-P, Knoxville, Tenn.  
Violation: Unauthorized user or removal of narcotics, drugs, supplies or equipment from any ambulance, health care facility, school, institution or other work place location  
Action: License placed on probation to run concurrent with monitoring contract already in place with the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program

Licensee: James A. Culver, EMT-P, Collierville, Tenn.  
Violation: Practicing on an expired license  
Action: License reprimanded; assessed \$100 civil penalty

Licensee: Elizabeth A. Messick, EMT-P, Sevierville, Tenn.  
Violation: Practicing on an expired license  
Action: License reprimanded; assessed \$300 civil penalty

Licensee: Timothy A. Waldo, EMT-P, Chattanooga, Tenn.  
Violation: Failure to report patient care which accurately reflects the evaluation and treatment of each patient; gross malpractice or negligence, or a pattern of

continued or repeated malpractice, ignorance, negligence or incompetence in the provision of emergency care  
 Action: License placed on probation for one year

### **BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS**

Individual: Fred J. Berganini, H.I.S., Signal Mountain, Tenn.  
 Violation: Failed to maintain sufficient continuing education credits  
 Action: Assessed \$100; must submit two continuing education credits

Individual: Carol Black, H.I.S., Greeneville, Tenn.  
 Violation: Failed to maintain sufficient continuing education credits  
 Action: Assessed \$100; must submit eight continuing education credits

Individual: Patricia A. Ikard, H.I.S., Tullahoma, Tenn.  
 Violation: Failed to maintain sufficient continuing education credits  
 Action: Assessed \$100; must submit 20 continuing education credits

### **BOARD OF MASSAGE LICENSURE**

Licensee: Rebecca C. Whitnel, M.T., Dyersburg, Tenn.  
 Violation: Guilty of a crime  
 Action: License suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions

### **BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

Licensee: Christine H. Evans, M.D., Lexington, Tenn.  
 Violation: Violation of board order  
 Action: License revoked; assessed \$1,000 civil penalty, plus costs; must pay remaining balance from previous order

Licensee: Ira A. Fleming, X-Ray Op., Mt. Juliet, Tenn.  
 Violation: Violation of board order  
 Action: License suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions

Licensee: Clifford A. Seyler, M.D., Tullahoma, Tenn.  
 Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; 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 reprimanded; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed \$2,000 civil penalty, plus costs

Licensee: William H. Shuler, M.D., Aiea, HI  
 Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; action taken by the state of Utah  
 Action: License reprimanded; assessed costs

Licensee: William A. Walker, M.D., Johnson City, Tenn.  
 Violation: 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

Action: License placed on probation for five years effective September 27, 2011; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed \$4,000 civil penalty, plus costs

### **BOARD OF NURSING**

Licensee: Chanda L. Garner, L.P.N., Newbern, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Deanna M. Greer, L.P.N., Rogersville, Tenn.

Violation: Guilty of a crime; action taken by the state of Virginia

Action: License revoked; assessed \$5,500 civil penalty, plus cost

Licensee: Deborah A. Lester, L.P.N., Knoxville, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Melissa Y. London, L.P.N., Nashville, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Angel M. Prescott, R.N., Bartlett, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Sandra L. Rippey, R.N., Old Hickory, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Marilyn A. Sharpe, R.N., Hampshire, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Karla R. Washington, L.P.N., Memphis, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Corina M. Wettlauger, L.P.N., Clarksville, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

Licensee: Tracie (Morris) Williams, L.P.N., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Violation: Failed to pay student loan

Action: License suspended

**BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY**

Licensee: Pamela P. Harrell, O.T., Nashville, Tenn.  
Violation: Failed to maintain sufficient continuing education credits  
Action: Assessed \$100 civil penalty; must submit two continuing education credits

**BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINATION**

Licensee: Byron Harbolt, D.O., Altamont, Tenn.  
Violation: Dispensing, prescribing or otherwise distributing any controlled substance or any other drug to any person in violation of any law of the State or the United States  
Action: License placed on probation for no less than five years; cease and desist dispensing any drugs controlled by the Drug Enforcement Agency for the entirety of the probationary period; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: Norman P. Neal, D.O., Cleveland, Tenn.  
Violation: Action taken by the state of Georgia  
Action: License suspended; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

**BOARD OF PHARMACY**

Licensee: Christopher M. Alonso, R.T., Nashville, Tenn.  
Violation: Removed controlled substances without authorization from a licensed prescriber  
Action: Registration revoked

Licensee: Kimberly A. Dover, R.T., Nashville, Tenn.  
Violation: Removed controlled substances without authorization from a licensed prescriber  
Action: Registration revoked

Licensee: Matthew A. Hobbs, D.Ph., Blountville, Tenn.  
Violation: Addicted to the use of alcohol, narcotics or other drugs; exhibited an incapacity of a nature that prevents a pharmacist from engaging in the practice of pharmacy with reasonable skill, confidence and safety to the public; dishonorable, immoral, unethical or unprofessional conduct  
Action: License indefinitely suspended

Licensee: Patrice N. Piskula, R.T., Lakeland, Tenn.  
Violation: Removed controlled substances without authorization from a licensed prescriber  
Action: Registration revoked

Licensee: Melissa D. Zimmerman, R.T., Dickson, Tenn.  
Violation: Failed to properly register with the board as a pharmacy technician  
Action: Assessed \$200 civil penalty

**ABUSE REGISTRY**

Individual: Jessica Reanon Garner, Murfreesboro, Tenn.  
Abuse: Theft/Misappropriation  
Profession: CNA (Revoked)

Individual: Paul D. McKee, Maryville, Tenn.  
Abuse: Sexual  
Profession: Visitor

Individual: Mandy McNally, Johnson City, Tenn.  
Abuse: Financial Exploitation/Misappropriation  
Profession: Direct Support Personnel

Individual: Amanda Kay Proffitt, Kingsport, Tenn.  
Abuse: Neglect  
Profession: L.P.N. (licensed in Virginia)