REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF HOSPITALS FOR PHYSICIANS RESTRICTED FOR DISCIPLINARY CAUSE

Section 805 of the Business & Professions Code states that the chief administrator or chief executive officer of a hospital is required to report those persons holding a license, certificate or similar authority under any agency mentioned in Section 805 who for any medical disciplinary cause or reason are:

A. Denied staff privileges.
B. Removed from the medical staff of the institution.
C. Restricted in exercising medical staff privileges for a cumulative total of 45 days in a calendar year.
D. If the removal or restriction is by resignation or voluntary action, the report shall state whether the resignation was requested or bargained for.

The agencies specified in Section 805 are: "County hospital or county medical facility or any clinic, health facility, general acute care hospital, acute psychiatric hospital, skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility or special hospital licensed pursuant to Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code (commencing with Section 1200) or any health care service plan or medical care foundation."

A significant percentage of restrictions are, in fact, imposed for incomplete medical records. An Attorney General's opinion states in summary that a physician who fails to maintain or complete such records when requested to do so may be guilty of unprofessional conduct under the State Medical Practice Act. With this in mind, the Board of Medical Quality Assurance asks that all of its licentiates keep complete and up to date medical records on all patients.

Remember hospitals are required to file reports with this Board for any of the above reasons and such a report could lead to a disciplinary action.

### SUMMARY OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

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DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS
June 17, 1976—September 30, 1976

Barth, Tucker, M.D., Stockton
(2361.2383.2399 B&P Code) Self-administration of controlled substances.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 6, 1976

Berger, Robert Hugh, M.D., Orange
Revoked, stayed, 3 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 5, 1976

Bowman, Gary A., M.D., San Francisco
(2361, 2383.2399.11190 H&S Code) Self administration of drugs.
Revoked, stayed, 10 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 20, 1976

Bremer, Elvin, M.D., Covina
(2300 B&P Code) Self administration of drugs.
Revoked.

August 9, 1976

Byrne, Patrick, Jr., M.D., Hollywood
(2361, 2383.2399.2361.5 B&P Code, 11154 H&S Code) Prescribing dangerous drugs without good faith prior examination, criminal conviction related thereto, 90 day suspension; 30 days stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

August 19, 1976

Cale, Irwin, M.D., Hermosa Beach
(2361, 2383.2399.11190 H&S Code) Delayed prescribing of controlled substances; failure to make record of prescriptions for controlled substances.
Revoked.

September 20, 1976

Cornell, Elmer, M.D., Willow Creek
2361, 2384, 2399.5 B&P Code
Prescribing dangerous drugs without good faith prior examination, criminal conviction related thereto.
Revoked, stayed, probation 1 year with terms and conditions.

August 2, 1976

Devlin, Leo Bartholomew, M.D., San Clemente
2360 B&P Code, 2319(a) Vehicle Code
Use of alcoholic beverages to the extent to be dangerous to himself and to the public.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

August 9, 1976

Dunn, Frank Lanier, M.D., San Diego
460, 2361, 2364(6),(d),(e), 2383 B&P Code
Conviction of crime involving moral turpitude (contributing to the delinquency of minors).
Revoked.

September 20, 1976

Ervin, Robert Norman, M.D., Los Angeles
460, 2394, 2399.5 B&P Code
Conviction of crime involving violation of state statute regulating controlled substances (forgeries of prescriptions).
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

August 9, 1976

Fulcher, Leland J., M.D., Sacramento
Matter of accusation charging violation of B&P Code 2361(e) and 2411 through allegedly fraudulent billing continued. Interim Order, respondent shall not engage in practice of medicine until receives written permission from Board. Other terms and conditions.

September 7, 1976

Gray, Logan, M.D., San Mateo
2360, 2364, 2390.5 B&P Code, 11170, 11170(a), 11290 H&S Code
Conviction of crime of self administration of controlled substances. Conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude: obtaining drugs by fraud, false or forgery of prescriptions, unlawful possession of controlled substances.
Revoked.

August 9, 1976

Graybill, Glen A., M.D., Barstow
2361.5, 2399.5 B&P Code, 11190 H&S Code
Prescribing dangerous drugs without good faith prior examination. Prescribing excessive medication.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

June 28, 1976

Hewitt, William L. M.D., Burney
2361, 2383, 2399.5 B&P Code, 11190 H&S Code
Prescribing dangerous drugs without good faith prior examination, criminal conviction related thereto.
Revoked.

September 20, 1976

Kelley, William M. D., Anaheim
2361, 2383 B&P Code
Self administration of dangerous drugs and/or alcohol.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 20, 1976

Ketcham, James S., M.D., La Mesa
2361, 2399.5 B&P Code
Prescribing dangerous drugs without good faith prior examination or medical indication therefor, criminal conviction related thereto.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 20, 1976

Knight, R. Lynn, M.D., Los Angeles
2361(a), 2399.5 B&P Code
Aiding and abetting unlicensed person, prescribing dangerous drug without good faith prior examination or medical indication therefor.
Revoked.

September 20, 1976

Michals, Robert Anthony, M.D., Los Angeles
460, 2361, 2383, 2392 B&P Code, 11190 H&S Code
Conviction of crime (possession of restricted dangerous drugs), and aiding and abetting unlicensed person, Suspended 30 day, 90 days stayed, 1 year probation with terms and conditions.

September 20, 1976

Murray, James O., M.D., El Cerrito
2361(b) B&P Code
Conviction of negligence or management of injury.
Revoked.

September 5, 1976

O'Boar, Henry Clyde, M.D., Merced
2361, 2399.5 B&P Code
Use of alcoholic beverages to the extent to be dangerous to himself and to the public.
Revoked, stayed, 10 years probation with terms and conditions.

August 9, 1976

Owen, Harry Steven, M.D., Palo Alto
2361(a), 2390 B&P Code
Aiding and abetting unlicensed person.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

July 9, 1976

Parker, Milton F., M.D., Placerville
2360 B&P Code
Self administration of controlled substances.
Revoked, stayed, 10 years probation with terms and conditions.

August 9, 1976

Renck, Robert W., M.D., Sonora
2361, 2391(a), 2411 B&P Code
Signing Health Statements of individuals without seeing persons and performing physical examination.
Suspended 30 days, stayed, 2 years probation with terms and conditions.

June 28, 1976

Robins, Harold, M.D., Huntington Beach
2361, 2361.5 B&P Code
Revoked.

September 20, 1976

Ronen, Richard Alvin, M.D., Fullerton
460, 2361, 2383 B&P Code, 11170 H&S Code
Conviction of crime of self use of controlled substances.
Revoked, stayed, 3 years probation with terms and conditions.

August 16, 1976

Roschen, Fritz Paul, M.D., Vacaville
2361.2383 B&P Code
Convicted of crime of conspiracy to import a controlled substance.
Revoked.

September 20, 1976

Roth, Felix R., Jr., M.D., Fairfield
Accusation charging violation of B&P Code 2361(a), 2361(e) and 2411 through alleged sexual misconduct during the treatment of a patient: suspension of privilege without prejudice in consideration of voluntary surrender of license, with terms and conditions.

June 28, 1976

Sheridan, Paul Thomas, M.D., San Marino
2361.5 B&P Code
Conviction of crime involving State Statute regulating controlled substances (fraudulent issuance of prescriptions).
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 20, 1976

Stafford, Vernon L., M.D., Mission Hills
2361, 2390, 2361.5 B&P Code, 11170 H&S Code
Issuance of false and fictitious prescriptions; self administration of controlled substances.
Revoked, stayed, 5 years probation with terms and conditions.

September 6, 1976

Thatcher, Blair Van Heckeren, M.D., Los Angeles
Accusation charging, violation of B&P Code 2361, 2397, and 2399 through allegedly false statements on application for license, and allegedly excessive use of alcohol.
Disposition—Respondent formally surrendered license.

September 20, 1976

Van Buren, John R., M.D., Benicia
2361.5, 2399.5 B&P Code, 11170 H&S Code
Prescribing dangerous drug without prior medical examination or medication indication thereof, self prescribing of-controlled substances.
Voluntary surrender of license.

Yantis, Richard Tom, M.D., Sacramento
2361(a), 2394, 2390, 2361 B&P, 11156 H&S Code
Prescribing and furnishing controlled substances to a habitué and addict, conviction of crime involving violation of state statute regulating controlled substances (prescribing a controlled substance to an addict).

Disposition—Respondent formally surrendered license.
September 6, 1976

For additional information about matters that are public record such as accusations, decisions and stipulations, contact the BOARD OF MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE, 1430 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA. 95825.
All scheduled meetings of the Board and its Divisions are open to the public and are listed below for your information. If you would like to be placed on the mailing list for Board agendas, which are mailed out approximately one week prior to each meeting, write: AGENDAS, BOARD OF MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE, 1430 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825

**BOARD OF MEDICAL QUALITY ASSURANCE**  
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### ARE YOU SURE YOU HAVE A CURRENT LICENSE?

It may be difficult to believe but the Board frequently receives calls from physicians who have found out that they have not renewed their license for periods of over two to four years. Under the law, it is the responsibility of the physician to notify the Board when he changes his address so that renewals which are currently mailed out at the beginning of every even numbered year reach him. In order to check whether you have a current renewal, we suggest that you check your wallet receipt which is mailed with every renewal. The receipt will indicate whether you have a valid license to practice in the State at this time.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

A number of physicians have begun to submit their continuing education records of courses completed to the Board. Although recent legislation did make a continuing education program a mandatory requirement for all licensed physicians in California, the Board has not yet developed specific regulations on the types and amounts of continuing education which will be required. As soon as this is accomplished, all licensees will be advised accordingly and provided with forms to report their continuing education programs.

### DIRECTORY OF PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS

The Board does not currently publish a directory due to the fact the information is dated soon after publication. In lieu of the directory, we ask that you write the Verifications Section, Board of Medical Quality Assurance, 1430 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825, or call (916) 322-2831 for the current status of licensees.

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