

January 2013 Disciplinary Report

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Licensee: Joseph E. Bieberly, M.D., Johnson City, 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 amount and/or for durations not medically necessary, advisable or justified for a diagnosed condition

Action: License retired; must meet certain terms and conditions before reapplying; assessed \$2,000 civil penalty

Licensee: Scott C. Canfield, X-ray Op., Old Hickory, Tenn.

Violation: Guilty of a crime Disciplinary Action Report Page 2 of 7

Action: Licenses conditional upon compliance with contract already in place with the Tennessee Medical Foundation

Licensee: David C. Cassada, M.D., Richlands, Va.

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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 shall not be reactivated until certain terms and conditions are met;

assessed costs

Licensee: Michael A. Chavin, M.D., Morristown, Tenn.

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct

Action: License reprimanded; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: Monisha Dutta, M.D., Memphis, Tenn.

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; making or signing in one's professional capacity any certificate that is known to be false at the time one makes or signs such certificate

Action: License reprimanded

Licensee: Helmut K. Harnisch, M.D., Lewisburg, 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 to remain in retired status; shall not be reinstated until all conditions have

been met; assessed \$1,000 civil penalty, plus costs

Licensee: Frederick T. Hodges, M.D., Memphis, Tenn.

Violation: Gross malpractice or a pattern of continued or repeated malpractice, ignorance, negligence or incompetence in the course of medical practice

Action: License reprimanded; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: Fred E. King, M.D., Memphis, Tenn.

Violation: Gross malpractice or a pattern of continued or repeated malpractice, ignorance, negligence or incompetence in the course of medical practice

Action: License voluntarily surrendered; assessed costs

Licensee: Walter H. King, Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Violation: A pattern of continued or repeated malpractice, ignorance, negligence or incompetence in the course of medical practice

Action: License retired; must meet certain terms and conditions before reapplying; assessed \$1,000 civil penalty

Licensee: Debra K. McKenzie, M.D., Dyersburg, Tenn.

Violation: A violation or attempted violation, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting Disciplinary Action Report Page 3 of 7

the violation of, or conspiring to violate, any provisions of this chapter or any lawful order of the board issued pursuant thereto or any criminal statute of the state of

Tennessee

Action: License placed on probation for three years; assessed \$2,000 civil penalty, plus costs

Licensee: Russell W. Rhea III, M.D., Knoxville, Tenn.

Violation: 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 no less than three years; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed costs

Licensee: Leslie E. Smith Jr., M.D., Memphis, Tenn.

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; 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 reprimanded; assessed \$2,000 civil penalty, plus costs

Licensee: Todd A. Whitaker, M.D., Unicoi, Tenn.

Violation: Unprofessional, dishonorable or unethical conduct; 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; engaging in the practice of medicine when mentally or physically unable to safely do so.

Action: License placed on probation for not less than five years; assessed \$2,000 civil penalty, plus costs

#### COMMITTEE ON PHYSICIANS ASSISTANTS

Licensee: Scott A. Fouch, PA-C, Macon, Ga.

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

Action: License suspended for no less than two years; must meet certain terms and conditions; assessed \$1,500 civil penalty, plus costs