

PRESS RELEASE
IOWA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

Eric L. Paulson, M.D., a 52 year-old physician from Carroll, Iowa, had his Iowa medical license revoked by the Board on September 7, 2006. In January 1996, the Board charged Dr. Paulson with alcohol abuse and he was placed on probation. Since then, the Board has filed disciplinary charges against Dr. Paulson on five separate occasions in 1999, 2001, 2002, 2005 and 2006. He has been charged three times for violating the terms of a Board Order. On December 9, 2005, the Board filed new charges against Dr. Paulson after he slapped an elderly female patient across the face. On February 13, 2006, the Board received an evaluation report that concluded that Dr. Paulson was unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety without intensive therapeutic intervention. On March 2, 2006, the Board suspended Dr. Paulson's Iowa medical license after concluding that he posed an immediate danger to the public. Following a hearing on August 17, 2006, the Board voted to revoke Dr. Paulson's medical license. The Board determined that Dr. Paulson has engaged in an extensive and ongoing pattern of unethical and unprofessional conduct; repeatedly failed to comply with Board Orders, has a long history of physically and verbally abusive conduct, is unable to recognize his own personal limitations, is unwilling or unable to be honest with the Board and abide by restrictions placed upon him and that he suffers from a mental condition which impairs his ability to practice medicine in a safe manner.