

PRESS RELEASE
IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE
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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medicine took the following action:

Adel S. Al-Jurf, M.D., a 66 year-old surgeon who formerly practiced at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board. On May 21, 2009, the Board charged Dr. Al-Jurf with engaging in a pattern of unprofessional conduct and disruptive behavior in the practice of medicine. The Board alleges that Dr. Al-Jurf engaged in a pattern of verbally abusive behavior toward co-workers and other healthcare professionals which created a hostile workplace. A hearing has been scheduled on July 7, 2009.

Paul D. Anderson, D.O., a 62 year-old psychiatrist who formerly practiced in Spencer, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board. On May 21, 2009, the Board charged Dr. Anderson with substance abuse and engaging in sexual misconduct in the practice of medicine. The Board alleges that Dr. Anderson has a forty year history of marijuana abuse and an extensive history of hallucinogen abuse which resulted in a prolonged episode of hallucinogen-induced intermittent psychosis. The Board also alleges that Dr. Anderson engaged in sexual misconduct with one of his psychiatric patients about fifteen years ago. A hearing has been scheduled on July 7, 2009.

Mark E. Buchanan, M.D., a 44 year-old orthopedic surgeon who formerly practiced medicine in West Des Moines, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. On May 7, 2009, the Board charged Dr. Buchanan with inappropriately abandoning patients when he failed to attend several scheduled elective surgical procedures and failed to make appropriate coverage arrangements for patients in 2008. Dr. Buchanan successfully completed chemical dependency treatment and is currently being monitored by the Iowa Physician Health Program and is in good standing. Under the terms of the May 7, 2009, Settlement Agreement, Dr. Buchanan received a public reprimand and was ordered to pay a \$2,500 fine for abandoning patients.

Frank S. Downs, M.D., a 61 year-old physician who practices family medicine in Boone, Iowa, was placed on a Board monitoring program for depression. On April 19, 2008, Dr. Downs was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol (OWI). On April 30, 2008, He entered into an Initial Agreement with the Iowa Physician Health Program (IPHP). Dr. Downs completed a substance abuse assessment and the assessment program concluded that he suffers from depression but found no substance abuse diagnosis. The IPHP subsequently offered Dr. Downs a Physician Health Contract for future monitoring but he declined because he thought the terms were unreasonable. On November 13, 2008, the Board charged Dr. Downs with violating the IPHP Initial Agreement when he refused to sign the Physician Health Contract, substance abuse and suffering from a mental condition which may impair his ability to practice medicine. A disciplinary hearing was held before the Board on March 31, 2009, and the Board issued a Final Decision on May 13, 2009. The Board concluded that Dr. Downs violated the IPHP Initial Agreement. The Board concluded that Dr. Downs does not suffer from substance abuse and dismissed the substance abuse charge. The Board concluded that Dr. Downs suffers from depression which may impair his ability to practice medicine. Under the terms of the May 13, 2009, Final Decision, Dr. Downs is subject to a Board monitoring program which includes Board-approved psychiatric treatment, individual therapy, a worksite monitor and quarterly reports.

William L. Dull, M.D., a 62 year-old physician who practices internal medicine in Iowa City, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board. On July 18, 2007, the Board charged Dr. Dull for failing to fully comply with the laws and rules governing the treatment of patients with chronic pain. Dr. Dull was issued a public reprimand, ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine, and he agreed not to prescribe controlled substances for the treatment of patients with chronic pain in an outpatient setting. On May 21, 2009, the Board charged Dr. Dull with engaging in a pattern of unprofessional conduct and disruptive behavior in the practice of medicine. The Board alleged that Dr. Dull made rude, berating and cruel comments to patients and patient's family members and demonstrated a lack of concern for patients' conditions on numerous occasions. The Board alleged that Dr. Dull's unprofessional behavior interfered with, or had the potential to interfere with, patient care or the effective functioning of health care staff. A hearing has been scheduled on July 7, 2009.

Glenn C. Krug, D.O., a 49 year-old physician who practices obstetrics and gynecology in Davenport, Iowa, was placed on indefinite probation. On June 2, 2005, the Board disciplined Dr. Krug for inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to family members and failing to maintain appropriate controlled substance records. On November 8, 2007, Dr. Krug was charged with violating the terms of the June 2, 2005, order. He was placed on probation for five years subject to certain terms and conditions and he was issued a public reprimand and ordered to pay a \$5,000 fine. On February 11, 2008, the Board charged Dr. Krug with professional incompetency and practice harmful or detrimental to the public when he: failed to timely intervene to provide appropriate care and treatment to an infant who became compromised during labor; failed to provide appropriate evaluation and treatment to an expectant mother who presented with a history of pre-term labor; and failed to properly evaluate the pulmonary or cardiac status of an expectant mother who presented with a history of upper respiratory infection. A disciplinary hearing was held before the Board on March 30, 2009, and the Board issued a Final Decision on May 13, 2009. The Board concluded that Dr. Krug failed to provide appropriate care and treatment to three patients and placed him on indefinite probation subject to certain terms and conditions, including a practice monitor, practice requirements and Board monitoring. The Board also issued Dr. Krug a public reprimand and ordered him to pay a \$10,000 fine for engaging in professional incompetency and practice harmful and detrimental to the public.

Wayne L. Robinson, M.D., a 75 year-old Iowa-licensed physician who practiced medicine in Irvine, California, had his Iowa medical license indefinitely suspended by the Board. On February 28, 2006, the Medical Board of California (California Board) charged Dr. Robinson with participating in a system of weight loss clinics in California in violation of California law when he: conspired with unlicensed persons to violate California law; aided and abetted the unlicensed practice of medicine in California; violated the corporate practice of medicine statute in California; inappropriately received consideration for patient referrals; used false or misleading advertising; inappropriately employed persons to procure patients; and disseminated false information in the practice of medicine. On September 6, 2007, Dr. Robinson's California medical license was revoked, the revocation was stayed, and he was placed on four years probation subject to certain terms and conditions effective February 22, 2008. On February 12, 2009, the Iowa Board filed formal disciplinary charges against Dr. Robinson alleging that he engaged in unethical or unprofessional conduct and for being disciplined by the California Board. Under the terms of the Iowa Settlement Agreement, Dr. Robinson's Iowa medical license is indefinitely suspended and he must pay a \$10,000 fine and complete a Board-approved ethics program before the Board will consider reinstating his Iowa license.