

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
**(April 23, 2013)**

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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medicine took the following actions:

**Frank L. Lamp, M.D.**, a 65-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who practices family medicine in Grundy Center, Iowa, had a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order issued by the Board on April 18, 2013. On March 19, 1997, the Board suspended Dr. Lamp's Iowa medical license due to substance abuse. On August 23, 2000, the Board reinstated Dr. Lamp's license and placed him on probation for a period of five years subject to Board monitoring. On August 25, 2005, the Board terminated the probation. On November 15, 2012, the Board charged Dr. Lamp with inappropriately prescribing controlled substances, particularly methadone, to patients with known substance abuse histories between 2009 and 2011, and with performing an inappropriate and/or medically unnecessary physical examination on a young female patient in his clinic on August 10, 2011. A hearing was held on March 21, 2013, and the Board issued a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order on April 18, 2013. The Board concluded that Dr. Lamp violated the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine when he inappropriately prescribed controlled substances, particularly methadone, to patients with known substance abuse histories between 2009 and 2011. The Board also concluded that Dr. Lamp's physical examination of a young female patient in his clinic on August 10, 2011, was inappropriate, not because it was unethical, but because it was performed incompetently. The Board concluded that Dr. Lamp did not have sufficient medical justification for his decision to perform a breast examination. Under the terms of the April 18, 2013, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order, the Board issued Dr. Lamp a Citation and Warning and ordered him to pay a \$2,500 civil penalty. The Board prohibited Dr. Lamp from purchasing, procuring, possessing, administering or dispensing controlled substances. The Board ordered Dr. Lamp to complete a Board-approved clinical competency evaluation and a Board-approved professional boundaries evaluation. The Board ordered Dr. Lamp to have a Board-approved female healthcare professional chaperone continually present at all times while treating all patients under the age of 18 years old and while providing breast and/or pelvic examinations for any female patient. Finally, the Board placed Dr. Lamp on indefinite probation subject to a Board-approved practice monitoring plan and Board monitoring.

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