

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**IOWA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

**James D. Brokke, D.O.**, a 50 year-old physician from Corydon, Iowa, had his Iowa medical license reinstated by the Board. On March 30, 2004, Dr. Brokke entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. Dr. Brokke was charged with inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to patients and engaging in unprofessional conduct. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, Dr. Brokke's Iowa medical license was indefinitely suspended and he was required to complete a professional competency evaluation and a physician-patient boundary program. Under the terms of the recent Reinstatement Order, Dr. Brokke is indefinitely prohibited from prescribing controlled substances in the treatment of chronic pain and his license is placed on probation for a period of five years subject to certain terms and conditions due to concerns about Dr. Brokke's professional competence.

**Eric D. Jorgensen, M.D.**, a 43 year-old anesthesiologist formerly practicing in St. Joseph, Missouri, had a disciplinary decision issued by the Iowa Board to resolve pending disciplinary charges. Dr. Jorgensen was charged by the Iowa Board on July 8, 2004, for being charged with a felony crime and for being disciplined by the Missouri Medical Board. On June 27, 2003, Dr. Jorgensen pleaded guilty to felony drug possession in Missouri. On February 24, 2004, the Missouri Board issued a Disciplinary Order revoking Dr. Jorgensen's Missouri medical license. Dr. Jorgensen may not apply for reinstatement of his Missouri medical license for a period of three (3) years, or until his court-ordered criminal probation has been completed. A hearing was held on the Iowa disciplinary charges on August 31, 2004, and the Board issued a Final Order on November 30, 2004. Under the terms of the Final Order, Dr. Jorgensen's Iowa medical license has been suspended indefinitely.

**Daniel C. Miller, D.O.**, a 45 year-old general practitioner formerly practicing in Indianola, Iowa, entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board to resolve pending disciplinary charges. On October 7, 2003, the Board charged Dr. Miller with engaging in inappropriate sexual relations with three patients between 1994 and 2003 and providing inappropriate treatment of mental health conditions and chronic pain conditions. Dr. Miller successfully completed a comprehensive sexual misconduct evaluation at a Board-approved program in April 2004. The evaluation program determined that Dr. Miller is safe to return to the practice of medicine subject to certain terms and conditions. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, Dr. Miller's Iowa medical license is suspended indefinitely and he is required to pay a \$10,000 civil penalty.

**Michael J. Parks, M.D.**, a 52 year-old physician from Oskaloosa, Iowa, had disciplinary charges filed against his Iowa medical license. Dr. Parks was charged with being disciplined by the licensing authority of three other states and with failing to comply with the continuing medical education requirements in the state of Iowa. On April 2, 2002, the Michigan Medical Board placed Dr. Parks' Michigan medical license on probation subject to monitoring provisions due to quality of care concerns. On January 8, 2003, the Ohio Medical Board revoked Dr. Parks' Ohio medical license after determining that Dr. Parks inappropriately failed to report the Michigan disciplinary action on his Ohio renewal application. On April 30, 2004, the Illinois Board refused to renew Dr. Parks' Illinois medical license based on the revocation of his license by the Ohio Board. Additionally, Dr. Parks failed to complete, and/or verify the completion of, the forty (40) continuing medical education (CME) hours for the licensure period from January 1, 2002 through January 1, 2004, required for renewal of his permanent Iowa medical license. A hearing on the Iowa disciplinary matter is scheduled for February 23, 2005.

**Michael J. Rinaldi, D.O.**, a 44 year-old physician practicing in West Des Moines, Iowa, entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board to resolve pending disciplinary charges. On May 27, 2004, the Board charged Dr. Rinaldi with engaging in a sexual relationship with a patient between June and November 2003. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, Dr. Rinaldi must successfully complete a Board-approved sexual misconduct evaluation no later than January 15, 2005, and prior to returning to the practice of medicine he must receive a determination that he is safe to practice. Dr. Rinaldi is permanently prohibited from treating female patients unless a Board-approved female healthcare professional chaperone is continually present and he must notify all present and future employers of the disciplinary action. He was ordered to pay a \$5,000 civil penalty and his Iowa medical license was placed on probation for a period of five years subject to certain terms and conditions due to sexual misconduct.

**Lisa R. Ross, M.D.**, a 45 year-old physician who practices in Windsor Heights, Iowa, had disciplinary charges filed against her Iowa medical license. The Board charged Dr. Ross with professional incompetence and willful or repeated violations of Iowa law. Dr. Ross inappropriately prescribed controlled substances to a member of her immediate family in violation of a Board rule prohibiting such prescribing and she failed to perform an appropriate history and physical and failed to maintain appropriate medical records for this patient. A hearing on the Iowa disciplinary matter is scheduled for February 23, 2005.

**Robert F. Tobin, M.D.**, a 62 year-old ophthalmologist who practices in West Des Moines, Iowa, had disciplinary charges filed against his Iowa medical license. The Board charged Dr. Tobin with professional incompetency and practice harmful or detrimental to the public in his ophthalmologic surgical practice. The Board determined that Dr. Tobin departed from the minimal standard of practice in the state of Iowa in his postoperative co-management of patients with optometrists following cataract and refractive surgery. Dr. Tobin failed to perform and/or document appropriate patient preoperative examinations and failed to obtain and/or document appropriate patient informed consent prior to surgery. Dr. Tobin failed to maintain appropriate patient operative reports and on at least one occasion, he failed to inform a patient of a serious complication. A hearing on the Iowa disciplinary matter is scheduled for February 23, 2005.