

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

**Scott D. Blair, M.D.**, a 52 year-old physician practicing in Council Bluffs, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against his Iowa medical license. The Board charged Dr. Blair with professional incompetency, engaging in practice harmful or detrimental to the public and engaging in unprofessional or unethical conduct and on numerous occasions. A hearing is scheduled for March 15, 2006.

**Heather M. Marthers, M.D.**, a 40 year-old physician who practices obstetrics and gynecology and who intends to practice in Washington, Iowa, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board and she was issued a permanent Iowa medical license. The South Carolina Board temporarily suspended Dr. Marthers' medical license on March 17, 2003, due to substance abuse. On February 24, 2004, the South Carolina Board placed certain substance abuse monitoring requirements on Dr. Marthers' medical license for a period of five years. Under the terms of the Iowa Consent Agreement, the Board issued Dr. Marthers a permanent Iowa medical license and she is required to fully comply with substance abuse monitoring in the Board's Iowa Physician Health Program (IPHP).