

PRESS RELEASE
IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE
(June 9, 2011)

PUBLIC DOCUMENTS: Please click on the physician's name to access a link to a copy of the public documents for each physician.

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

[**Amy S. Coulthard, D.O.**](#), a 34-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who practices family medicine in Platteville, Wisconsin, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Iowa Board on June 3, 2011. On April 21, 2010, the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board determined that Dr. Coulthard inappropriately prescribed controlled substances without maintaining appropriate medical records and without complying with the standard of minimal competence for chronic pain management to an individual that she was dating and the individual's grandfather and friends. At the direction of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, Dr. Coulthard completed Board-approved programs for professional ethics, medical record keeping and controlled substance management. Dr. Coulthard's Wisconsin medical license was suspended for a period of sixty (60) days; she was prohibited from providing non-emergent medical care outside of a clinic or hospital setting for a period of two years; she was ordered to complete Board-approved counseling for a period of not less than one year; and she was ordered to pay costs in the amount of \$3,750. Under the terms of the Iowa Order, Dr. Coulthard was issued a public reprimand, ordered to pay a \$2,500 fine, and she was placed on probation for a period of three years subject to Board monitoring.

[**Roger V. Hansen, D.O.**](#), a 66-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Panora, Iowa, and currently practices in Woodward, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board on June 3, 2011. The Board charged Dr. Hansen with engaging in a sexual relationship with a female patient in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa. A hearing is scheduled on August 9, 2011.

[**Ryan D. Lee, D.O.**](#), a 30-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced psychiatry in a residency training program in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Iowa Board on June 3, 2011. On May 12, 2011, the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners revoked Dr. Lee's South Dakota resident training permit after finding that he committed unprofessional or dishonorable conduct when he engaged in an inappropriate sexual relationship with a female mental health patient he was treating. The Iowa Board charged Dr. Lee with engaging in a sexual relationship with a female mental health patient he was treating in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa. A hearing is scheduled on August 9, 2011.

[**George H. Pfaltzgraff, M.D.**](#), a 66-year-old physician who practices surgery in Iowa Falls, Iowa, entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board on June 2, 2011. On July 8, 2009, the Board charged Dr. Pfaltzgraff with performing a tubal ligation on a female patient in 2008, without obtaining proper consent. The Board alleges that the patient affirmatively told Dr. Pfaltzgraff that she did not want a tubal ligation, she did not sign a consent form for a tubal ligation, and Dr. Pfaltzgraff performed the procedure without proper consent. Under the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the Board placed Dr. Pfaltzgraff on probation for a period of three years subject to Board monitoring. The Board also issued Dr. Pfaltzgraff a public reprimand, ordered him to pay a \$10,000 fine and complete a Board-approved professional ethics program.

Julie L. Waddell, M.D., a 44-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who practices family medicine in Omaha, Nebraska, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Iowa Board on June 2, 2011. On November 15, 2010, Dr. Waddell entered into an Agreed Settlement with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health. Dr. Waddell was charged with inappropriately dispensing a controlled substance to a patient from a prescription written for a third party (Dr. Waddell's husband) and writing a prescription for stock valium. Dr. Waddell was ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$7,500 and complete a Board-approved prescribing course. Under the terms of the Iowa Order, the Board issued Dr. Waddell a public reprimand and ordered her to pay a \$1,000 fine.

CONSUMER COMPLAINTS: Consumers can submit complaints against physicians through the Board's Website at www.medicalboard.iowa.gov, by calling (515) 281-5847, or by mail at 400 SW 8th Street, Suite C, Des Moines, IA 50309-4686.