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

**Christopher J. VandeLune, D.O.**, a 47-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Cherokee, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on May 9, 2019. The Board alleged that Dr. VandeLune engaged in sexual misconduct and/or sexual harassment in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa, when he sent sexually suggestive text messages and social media messages to, and engaged in sexual relations with, two female co-workers for whom he also provided medical care in Cherokee, Iowa, in 2017. At the direction of the Board, Dr. VandeLune completed a Board-approved comprehensive sexual misconduct evaluation on March 2, 2019. Under the terms of the May 9, 2019, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Board issued Dr. VandeLune a Citation and Warning and ordered him to pay a \$5,000 civil penalty. The Board also ordered Dr. VandeLune to complete a Board-approved professional boundaries program and placed him on probation for a period of five years subject to Board monitoring, including professional boundaries counseling.

**Andrea L. Venteicher, M.D.**, a 42-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Waukon, Mount Pleasant, Sumner and Monona, Iowa, and currently practices in New Hampton, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on May 9, 2019. The Board alleged that Dr. Venteicher failed to provide appropriate pain management to multiple patients in Monona, Iowa, between February 2017 and August 2018 in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa. Under the terms of the May 9, 2019, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Board issued Dr. Venteicher a Citation and Warning and ordered her to pay a \$3,000 civil penalty. The Board also prohibited Dr. Venteicher from prescribing, administering or dispensing controlled substances for the treatment of chronic pain. The Board also ordered Dr. Venteicher to complete a Board-approved comprehensive clinical competency evaluation and medical recordkeeping course. The Board also placed Dr. Venteicher on probation for a period of three years subject to Board monitoring, including prescribing audits and a Board-approved practice monitor.

**When appropriate, disciplinary actions are reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank, an electronic repository administered by the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration to track adverse license actions.**

**CONSUMER COMPLAINTS: Consumers can submit complaints against physicians by clicking [HERE](#), visiting the Board's Website at [www.medicalboard.iowa.gov](http://www.medicalboard.iowa.gov), calling (515) 281-5847, or mail to 400 SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite C, Des Moines, IA 50309.**