

PRESS RELEASE
IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE
(April 22, 2014)

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

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

[Wendell C. Danforth, M.D.](#), a 50-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced ophthalmology in Fayetteville, North Carolina, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement on April 17, 2014. Dr. Danforth's Iowa medical license has been inactive due to nonrenewal since April 1, 2000. On October 28, 2013, the North Carolina Medical Board charged Dr. Danforth with prescribing controlled substances to multiple patients in Fayetteville, North Carolina, without establishing a documented physician-patient relationship, without performing histories and physical examinations and without maintaining medical records. On May 24, 2013, Dr. Danforth voluntarily surrendered his North Carolina medical license. Under the terms of the April 17, 2014, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Danforth voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

[Lee O. Fagre, M.D.](#), a 59-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who practices family medicine in Waverly, Iowa, had an Amended Order issued by the Board on April 17, 2014. On March 18, 1992, the Board placed Dr. Fagre on probation for a period of five years due to substance abuse. The terms of probation were terminated on March 15, 1996. On February 11, 2008, the Board placed Dr. Fagre on probation for a period of five years due substance abuse. The terms of probation were terminated on February 11, 2013. On October 21, 2009, Dr. Fagre entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement. The Board charged Dr. Fagre with professional incompetency. The Board issued Dr. Fagre a Citation and Warning and he agreed not to practice obstetrics. The Board placed Dr. Fagre on probation for a period of five years subject to Board monitoring and he was required to successfully complete a Board-approved remediation program. On April 17, 2014, the Board voted to terminate the restriction on Dr. Fagre's ability to practice obstetrics. The remaining terms of probation remain in effect.

[Thomas C. Fisher, M.D.](#), a 60-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced medicine in Ft. Collins, Colorado, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement on April 17, 2014. Dr. Fisher's Iowa medical license has been inactive due to nonrenewal since December 1, 1987. In August 2012, the Colorado Medical Board received a complaint that Dr. Fisher was using alcohol and drugs in a manner which impaired his ability to safely practice medicine. The Colorado Board ordered Dr. Fisher to undergo an evaluation by the Colorado Physician Health Program. In March 2013, the Colorado Board received a complaint from an inmate at the Colorado Department of Corrections alleging that Dr. Fisher failed to treat his fractured hand in a timely manner. On July 11, 2013, Dr. Fisher entered into a Stipulation and Final Agency Order with the Colorado Board. The Colorado Board charged Dr. Fisher with unprofessional conduct and he agreed to place his Colorado medical license on inactive status and not apply for reactivation of the license in the future. Under the terms of the April 17, 2014, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Fisher voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

[Jeffery M. Jauron, D.O.](#), a 37-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Moline, and Rock Island, Illinois, had an Amended Order issued by the Board on April 17, 2014. On February 9, 2012, the Board charged Dr. Jauron with engaging in sexual misconduct with a female patient in Moline, Illinois, in October 2008. On August 14, 2012, the Board placed Dr. Jauron on indefinite probation subject to Board monitoring and ordered him to

pay a \$10,000 fine. The Board ordered Dr. Jauron to have a female chaperone present at all times when treating female patients, to complete a Board-approved professional boundaries program and to practice in a Board-approved practice setting only. Under the terms of the April 17, 2014, Amended Order, Dr. Jauron must have a Board-approved female healthcare provider chaperone present in the room at all times he is examining or treating a female patients except in the case of an emergency situation, including situations when a female healthcare provider chaperone is not available. In the case of an emergency situation, including situations when a female healthcare provider chaperone is not available, Dr. Jauron must document the circumstances including the date of the event, name and age of the patient and reason why a female chaperone was not available and submit a written report to the Board with his next quarterly report and submit a written report to his Board-approved Worksite Monitor within 48 hours of the event.

Ryan D. Lee, D.O., a 31-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced psychiatry in a residency training program in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, had his Iowa medical license reinstated on April 17, 2014. 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 engaged in a sexual relationship with a female mental health patient he was treating. On June 3, 2011, the Iowa Board charged Dr. Lee with engaging in a sexual relationship with a female mental health patient he was treating and being disciplined by the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners. On July 28, 2011, Dr. Lee entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Iowa Board to resolve the pending charges. The Board indefinitely suspended Dr. Lee's Iowa medical license, issued him a Citation and Warning and ordered him to pay a \$7,500 civil penalty. Under the terms of the April 17, 2014, Reinstatement Order, the Board reinstated Dr. Lee's Iowa medical license and placed him on indefinite probation subject to Board monitoring. Dr. Lee is required to have a female healthcare professional chaperone continually present when treating female patients, is required to practice medicine in a Board-approved group practice setting only, and must continue to receive Board-approved psychiatric treatment and counseling.

Floyd D. Simpson, D.O., a 69-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced psychiatry in Springfield, Missouri, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Iowa Board on April 17, 2014. Dr. Simpson's Iowa medical license has been inactive due to nonrenewal since August 1, 2000. On April 20, 2000, Dr. Simpson was disciplined by the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts (Missouri Board) for substance abuse. The Missouri Board placed Dr. Simpson on probation for a period of seven (7) years. On June 28, 2001, the Iowa Board disciplined Dr. Simpson based on the Missouri disciplinary action. The Iowa Board placed Dr. Simpson on probation for a period concurrent with the probation in Missouri. On February 14, 2012, Dr. Simpson was disciplined by the Missouri Board for inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to patients and/or failing to prevent diversion of controlled substances, and failing to provide appropriate psychiatric care to multiple patients. The Missouri Board placed Dr. Simpson on probation for a period of ten (10) years. The Iowa Board charged Dr. Simpson with being disciplined by the Missouri Board. A hearing is scheduled on August 7, 2014.

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.

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