

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**  
**(December 23, 2013)**

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

**Thomas R. Brandt, M.D.**, a 59-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced cardiology in Norfolk, Nebraska, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Brandt's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on June 1, 1998. Dr. Brandt recently submitted an application for reinstatement of his Iowa medical license. On October 12, 2005, Dr. Brandt was disciplined by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (Nebraska Board). The Nebraska Board alleged that Dr. Brandt performed a surgical procedure while intoxicated on April 23, 2005. On May 6, 2005, the Nebraska Board temporarily suspended Dr. Brandt's Nebraska medical license. On October 12, 2005, the Nebraska Board placed Dr. Brandt on probation for a period of five (5) years subject to substance abuse monitoring. On October 13, 2010, Dr. Brandt successfully completed the terms established by the Nebraska Board. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Iowa Board issued Dr. Brandt a Citation and Warning for being disciplined by the Nebraska Board for performing a surgical procedure while intoxicated on April 23, 2005.

**James R. Eelkema, M.D.**, a 60-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who currently practices general medicine in Edina, Minnesota, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Eelkema's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on April 1, 1991. On May 14, 2011, Dr. Eelkema was disciplined by the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice (Minnesota Board). The Minnesota Board alleged that Dr. Eelkema engaged in sexual conduct with a patient at a location outside of his office setting and authorized a prescription for narcotics for the patient without documenting the prescription in the clinic record. The Minnesota Board issued Dr. Eelkema a public reprimand; ordered him to complete a Board-approved professional boundaries course; ordered him to practice in a Board-approved setting only; and ordered him to pay a \$5,577.80 civil penalty. On May 12, 2012, Dr. Eelkema successfully completed the requirements established by the Minnesota Board. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Eelkema voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

**Adrian D. Feinerman, M.D.**, a 75-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly provided medical care to inmates at the Menard Correctional Center in Chester, Illinois, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Feinerman's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on March 1, 2006. On December 2, 2010, Dr. Feinerman was disciplined by the Illinois Division of Professional Regulation (Illinois Board). The Illinois Board alleged that Dr. Feinerman failed to provide appropriate treatment to a 36-year-old male inmate with ulcerative colitis between February 11, and April 2, 2009. The Illinois Board issued Dr. Feinerman a reprimand and ordered him to pay \$500 fine. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Iowa Board issued Dr. Feinerman a Citation and Warning for being disciplined by the Illinois Board for failing to provide appropriate treatment to a male inmate at the Menard Correctional Center in Chester, Illinois, in 2009.

**Robert E. Garrett, M.D.**, a 64-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who practices general medicine in Iowa City, Iowa, had his combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement amended by the Board on December 20, 2013. On April 19, 2012, Dr. Garrett entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. The Board charged Dr. Garrett with inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to multiple patients in 2010 and 2011 in Iowa City, Iowa, in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa. Under the terms of the April 19, 2012, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Board issued Dr. Garrett a Citation and Warning and ordered him to pay a \$2,500 civil penalty. The Board also prohibited Dr. Garrett from prescribing, administering or dispensing controlled substances for the treatment of chronic pain under his Iowa medical license. Finally, the Board placed Garrett on probation for a period of three (3) years subject to Board monitoring including audits of his controlled substance prescribing. On December 20, 2013, after careful consideration, the Board voted to terminate the audits of Dr. Garrett's controlled substance prescribing. The Board noted that Dr. Garrett has complied with the terms established in the April 19, 2012, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement and he no longer prescribes, administers or dispenses controlled substances for the treatment of chronic pain. All other provisions established in the April 19, 2012, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement remain in effect.

**David V. Gierlus, D.O.**, a 60-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Muscatine, Iowa, entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. On August 30, 2012, Dr. Gierlus was charged in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa with three (3) counts of unlawful distribution of controlled substances, not for a legitimate medical purpose and outside the scope of professional practice, in violation of federal law. On September 21, 2012, Dr. Gierlus entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board. Dr. Gierlus agreed not to engage in the practice of medicine until the Board approves his return to practice. On January 16, 2013, Dr. Gierlus was charged with ninety five (95) counts of unlawful distribution of controlled substances, not for a legitimate medical purpose and outside the scope of professional practice in violation of federal law. On March 1, 2013, Dr. Gierlus pleaded guilty to one (1) count of unlawful distribution of a Schedule III Controlled Substance (Hydrocodone), in violation of federal law. The remaining criminal charges were dismissed. On July 18, 2013, Dr. Gierlus was sentenced to eight (8) years in prison and ordered to pay a \$400,000 fine. The Board also alleged that Dr. Gierlus engaged in sexual misconduct while treating female patients in Muscatine, Iowa. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Gierlus voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license and agreed to pay a \$10,000 civil penalty.

**Stephen B. Gruba, M.D.**, a 61-year-old physician who formerly practiced family medicine in Corning, Iowa, had the terms and conditions placed on his Iowa medical license terminated by the Board on December 20, 2013. On July 28, 2005, Dr. Gruba entered into a combined Statement of Charges, Settlement Agreement and Final Order with the Board. The Board charged Dr. Gruba with inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to at least four patients. The Board issued Dr. Gruba a Citation and Warning for inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to at least four patients in violation of the laws and rules governing the treatment of chronic pain in Iowa. On February 4, 2010, Dr. Gruba entered into a combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board. The Board charged Dr. Gruba with inappropriately prescribing controlled substances to multiple patients in violation of the laws and rules governing the treatment of chronic pain in Iowa. Under the terms of the February 4, 2010, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Gruba was prohibited from prescribing, administering or dispensing controlled substances for the treatment of patients with chronic, nonmalignant pain. The Board also issued Dr. Gruba a Citation and Warning and ordered him to pay a \$5,000 fine. On December 20, 2013, the Board terminated the terms and

conditions established in the February 4, 2010, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement. Dr. Gruba's Iowa medical license is returned to its full privileges, free and clear of all restrictions.

**Malik E. Juweid, M.D.**, a 52-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced nuclear medicine in Iowa City, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board on December 20, 2013. On November 18, 2011, the Board issued a Confidential Evaluation Order requiring Dr. Juweid to complete a Board-approved confidential comprehensive physical, neuropsychological, mental health, unprofessional conduct and/or disruptive behavior evaluation. Dr. Juweid filed an objection to the Confidential Evaluation Order. On September 11, 2012, Dr. Juweid entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board. Dr. Juweid agreed not to engage in the practice medicine under his Iowa medical license and the Board agreed to stay enforcement of the Confidential Evaluation Order. Dr. Juweid subsequently requested a hearing before the Board. On August 13, 2013, the Board issued a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order and the Board ordered Dr. Juweid to complete the evaluation within ninety (90) days. Dr. Juweid failed to complete the evaluation. On December 20, 2013, the Board filed formal disciplinary charges against Dr. Juweid alleging that he failed to complete the evaluation within ninety (90) days in violation of the August 13, 2013, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Decision and Order. A hearing is scheduled on March 20, 2014.

**Naeem U. Khan, M.D.**, a 49-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who currently practices medicine in Amarillo, Texas, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Khan's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on March 1, 2006. On February 5, 2010, Dr. Khan was disciplined by the Texas Medical Board (Texas Board). The Texas Board alleged that Dr. Khan failed to provide appropriate medical care to a single patient who underwent conscious sedation on November 16, 2007. The Texas Board issued Dr. Khan a public reprimand and prohibited him from performing conscious sedation until he completes a formal education program in conscious sedation and at least 20 hours of continuing medical education in orthopedic emergencies and pain management. On May 18, 2011, Dr. Khan was disciplined by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board based on the disciplinary action taken by the Texas Board. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Iowa Board issued Dr. Khan a Citation and Warning for being disciplined by the Texas Board for failing to provide appropriate care to a single patient who underwent conscious sedation on November 16, 2007. Dr. Khan also agreed to fully comply with the terms established by the Texas Board and provide the Iowa Board written notice at least ninety (90) days prior to seeking reinstatement of his Iowa medical license at which time he agrees to comply with any additional conditions ordered by the Board which are necessary to protect the public and ensure that he practices medicine with reasonable skill and safety.

**Randy S. Lentz, M.D.**, a 47-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who currently practices medicine in Jesup, Georgia, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Lentz' Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on March 1, 2002. On December 21, 2009, Dr. Lentz pled guilty to one (1) felony count of conspiracy to commit health care fraud in the United States District Court, Southern District of Georgia, for prescribing and billing for physical therapy services to Medicaid and Medicare, when the services were either not medically necessary or were not provided. The records indicate that Dr. Lentz' former employee double billed for physical therapy services. Dr. Lentz was originally indicted on one hundred (100) counts. Dr. Lentz was sentenced to 34 months in prison followed by three years supervised release. On June 7, 2013, Dr. Lentz was disciplined by the Georgia Composite Medical Board (Georgia Board) based on the felony criminal conviction. The Georgia Board issued Dr. Lentz a public reprimand and ordered him to complete ten hours of ethics training and pay \$550 in costs. Dr. Lentz has successfully

completed the requirements established by the Georgia Board. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Lentz voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

**Rashid Nayyar, M.D.**, a 48-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who currently practices sleep medicine at six sleep centers in northern Virginia, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Nayyar's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on May 1, 1997. On May 22, 2013, Dr. Nayyar was disciplined by the Virginia Board of Medicine (Virginia Board). The Virginia Board alleged that Dr. Nayyar engaged in conduct likely to deceive or defraud or harm the public, aided or abetted the unlicensed practice of medicine, violated the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine and made or used false or misleading statements in the practice of medicine at six sleep centers in northern Virginia between September 2010, and 2012. The Virginia Board alleged that Dr. Nayyar solicited individuals for unnecessary sleep studies; ordered sleep studies and other sleep-related durable medical equipment for individuals without establishing a bona fide physician-patient relationship; and aided or abetted the unlicensed practice of medicine by non-physician employees who scheduled/ordered sleep studies after performing the initial intake assessment without a physician determining the medical necessity for the performance of the sleep study. The Virginia Board issued Dr. Nayyar a reprimand and ordered him to pay a \$5,000 fine. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, the Iowa Board issued Dr. Nayyar a Citation and Warning for being disciplined by the Virginia Board for engaging in conduct likely to deceive or defraud or harm the public, aiding or abetting the unlicensed practice of medicine, violating the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine and making or using false or misleading statements in the practice of medicine at six sleep centers in northern Virginia between September 2010, and 2012.

**Thomas J. Rodenberg, M.D.**, a 64-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced anesthesiology and pain medicine in Lakeland and Pompano Beach, Florida, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Rodenberg's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on June 1, 2009. On February 11, 2008, Dr. Rodenberg was disciplined by the Florida Board of Medicine (Florida Board). The Florida Board alleged that Dr. Rodenberg failed to provide appropriate anesthesia care to a 53-year-old female patient who underwent a MRI under sedation on June 4, 2005, in Lakeland, Florida. The Florida Board issued Dr. Rodenberg a Letter of Concern; ordered him to pay a \$15,000 fine and \$4,305.99 in costs; ordered him to complete 100 hours of community service; and ordered him to complete continuing medical education in the areas of monitoring anesthesia patients undergoing MRI procedures and medical ethics. On December 7, 2012, Dr. Rodenberg was disciplined by the Florida Board. The Florida Board alleged that Dr. Rodenberg failed to provide appropriate anesthesia care to a 31-year-old male patient who underwent a Manipulation Under Anesthesia (MUA) on December 4, 2008, in Pompano Beach, Florida, and a 43-year-old female patient who underwent a two-level discectomy on June 25, 2008, in Pompano Beach, Florida. The Florida Board suspended Dr. Rodenberg's Florida medical license for a minimum of six (6) months and ordered him to complete a comprehensive clinical competency assessment. The Florida Board issued Dr. Rodenberg a reprimand, ordered him to pay a \$40,000 fine and \$14,398.77 in costs, and ordered him to complete continuing medical education in the areas of record keeping and risk management. On July 1, 2013, the Pennsylvania State Board of Medicine suspended Dr. Rodenberg's Pennsylvania medical license based on the Florida disciplinary action. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Rodenberg voluntarily surrendered his Iowa medical license.

**William A. Stutts, D.O.**, a 51-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced psychiatry in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, had formal disciplinary charges filed against him by the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Stutts' Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on

November 1, 2012. On July 19, 2012, Dr. Stutts entered into an initial agreement with the Iowa Physician Health Program (IPHP) due to concerns about his health. Dr. Stutts failed to comply with the requirements established by the IPHP. On December 20, 2013, the Iowa Board charged Dr. Stutts violating the initial agreement that he entered into with IPHP and for suffering from a physical, neuropsychological, or mental condition which may impair his ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety. A hearing is scheduled on February 20, 2014.

**Beth M. Winke, M.D.**, a 51-year-old Iowa-licensed physician who currently practices pain management in Virginia Beach and Carrollton, Virginia, entered into a combined Statement and Charges and Settlement Agreement with the Board on December 20, 2013. Dr. Winke's Iowa medical license went inactive due to nonrenewal on September 1, 1996. On May 20, 2013, Dr. Winke was disciplined by the Virginia Board of Medicine (Virginia Board). The Virginia Board alleged that Dr. Winke failed to provide appropriate medical care to multiple patients between May 2006 and January 2011, when she: failed to perform adequate physical examinations on multiple patients who she was treating for chronic pain management; failed to request or obtain records from prior treatment providers and/or coordinate care with concurrent treatment providers before prescribing narcotics for patients' complaints of chronic pain; failed to review/address urine drug screen results; and inappropriately prescribed or authorized refills of narcotic medications for a patient prior to the time that it should have been needed if the medications had been taken as directed. The Virginia Board ordered Dr. Winke to pay a \$1,000 fine. Under the terms of the December 20, 2013, combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement, Dr. Winke voluntarily surrendered her Iowa medical license.

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