

Oregon Board of Medical Examiners
BOARD ACTION REPORT
October 16, 2006 – November 15, 2006

The information contained in this report summarizes new interim and final actions taken by the Oregon Board of Medical Examiners between **October 16, 2006 – November 15, 2006**.

Scanned copies of Interim Stipulated Orders, Orders of Emergency Suspension, Stipulated Orders, Final Orders, Termination Orders, Modification Orders and Voluntary Limitations are included at the end of this report in the order that they appear in the report. These orders are marked with an * asterisk. **Scanned copies of Corrective Action Orders are not posted as they are not disciplinary action and impose no practice limitations.** Corrective Action Orders, however, are public and are available upon request as described below.

Printed copies of the Board Orders listed below are available to the public. To obtain a printed copy of a Board Order, please complete a [service request form](#) on the Board's web site, submit it with the \$10.00 fee *per licensee* and mail to:

Oregon Board of Medical Examiners
1500 SW 1st Ave, Ste 620
Portland, OR 97201

Copies of the Orders listed below are mailed to Oregon hospitals where the Licensee had self-reported that he/she has privileges.

***BRISTOL, Thomas Lindsey, MD; MD09602; Salem, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on November 2, 2006. In this Order Licensee was placed on 5 years of probation with quarterly reports to the Board, \$1000 fine, chaperones required when conducting pelvic and breast exams on female patients, continue psychotherapy with quarterly written reports to the Board, complete boundary course, provide a copy of Order to employers prior to first day of work.

***CARNAHAN, Don Alan, MD; MD24038; Tillamook, OR**

Licensee entered into a Stipulated Order with the Board on November 2, 2006. In this Order Licensee was reprimanded, fined \$500, and must enroll in PEER within 30-days from the date Licensee resumes practice in Oregon and complete PEER within 24 months from the date of enrollment. Licensee also must complete continuing education related to medical ethics that is pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director.

***CRADDICK, Joyce Florence, MD; MD19201; Ashland, OR**

Licensee entered into a Voluntary Limitation with the Board on November 2, 2006. In this Order Licensee voluntarily agreed not to write any prescriptions. This is not a disciplinary action.

HOLT, Thomas Jeffrey, MD; MD27113; Hermiston, OR

Applicant entered into a Corrective Action with the Board on November 2, 2006. This Order granted Applicant an Oregon medical license contingent upon Applicant satisfying the following conditions: pre-approved doctorate level psychotherapist w/quarterly reports to the Board, provide copy of this Order to the Chief of Staff and Chief of Nursing at every healthcare facility that employes him as a physician both of whom shall provide quarterly written reports to the Board, pre-approved practice settings, and quarterly Board reporting. This is not a disciplinary action.

If you have any questions regarding this service, please call the Board at (971) 673-2700 or toll-free within Oregon at (877) 254-6263.

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BEFORE THE
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of)
THOMAS LINDSEY BRISTOL, MD) STIPULATED ORDER
LICENSE NO. MD09602)

1.

The Board of Medical Examiners (Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining certain health care providers, including physicians, in the state of Oregon. Thomas Lindsey Bristol, MD (Licensee) is a licensed physician in the state of Oregon.

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The Board proposed taking disciplinary action pursuant to ORS 677.205 against Licensee for violations of the Medical Practice Act, to wit: ORS 677.190(1)(a) unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, as defined in ORS 677.188(4)(a).

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Licensee is a board certified family practice physician. The Board opened an investigation into Licensee's practice after being informed that Licensee resigned from Kaiser Permanente while under investigation, effective March 31, 2006. The Board's investigation revealed the following acts and conduct that violated the Medical Practice Act:

3.1 Licensee conducted a physical examination of Patient A (an adult female) in March 2005. Licensee conducted a breast and pelvic examination of Patient A without a chaperone. Licensee remained in the room when Patient A removed her bra and panties and is alleged to have assisted in the removal of these undergarments. This conduct crossed professional and sexual boundaries.

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1 5.5 Licensee will continue in psychotherapy with a psychiatrist that is pre-approved
2 by the Board's Medical Director. This psychiatrist will provide the Board with
3 quarterly written reports.

4 5.6 Licensee will enroll in and successfully complete a professional boundary
5 course pre-approved by the Board's Medical Director.

6 5.7 Licensee will inform and provide a copy of this order to his employers in the
7 health care field of this Order prior to reporting for his first day of work.

8 5.8 Licensee will obey all federal, state and local laws, and all rules governing the
9 practice of medicine in the state of Oregon.

10 5.9 Licensee stipulates and agrees that any deviation or violation from terms of this
11 Order shall be grounds for discipline pursuant to ORS 677.190(18).

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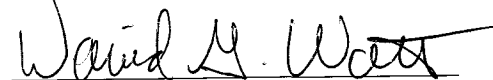
13 This Order becomes effective the date it is signed by the Board Chair.

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15 IT IS SO STIPULATED THIS 19 day of October, 2006.

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18 THOMAS LINDSEY BRISTOL, MD

19 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 2nd day of November, 2006.

20 BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
21 State of Oregon

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23 DAVID G. WATT, MD
24 Board Vice Chair
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1 reasonable notice and opportunity to make alternative arrangements for care. Specifically,
2 Licensee failed to send individualized prior written notice to his patients that he was resigning
3 from Safe Harbor Pediatrics Rural Clinic and that he would continue to provide treatment and
4 access to services for a reasonable period of time (at least 30 days) to allow his patients time to
5 secure care from another physician if they so desired.

6 2.2 Licensee asserts that subsequent to his resignation from Safe Harbor Pediatrics
7 Rural Clinic, that some patients contacted him and asked for refill prescriptions, and that he
8 accommodated these requests. But in doing so, Licensee failed to make any chart entry in regard
9 to these patient contacts and ordered prescriptions

10 2.3 A review of Licensee's chart notes for Patients A – E reflect that he failed to
11 document communication with consultants, repeatedly failed to make timely chart entries to
12 include a history, patient examination, diagnosis or treatment plan, and that he failed to respond
13 to requests for patient records related to patient care from state agencies, to include the
14 Department of Human Services. Specific concerns related to patient care follow:

15 a. Patient A, a 17 year-old-male, first presented to Licensee on July 2, 2004. Patient
16 A had attempted suicide in March 2004, and was taking sertraline (Zoloft) and lorazepam
17 (Ativan, Schedule IV). Licensee continued Patient A on sertraline. On August 3, 2004,
18 Licensee appears to have diagnosed attention deficit disorder and prescribed
19 dextroamphetamine and amphetamine (Adderall, Schedule II). Licensee informed
20 Patient A that he would refer him to an urologist, but did not follow up. Licensee's
21 patient chart only reflects a medication flow sheet with one entry for sertraline and one
22 entry for Adderall, with no patient history, examination, or other information.

23 b. Licensee initially saw Patient C, a pediatric patient with Down syndrome, in
24 2001. Patient C was subsequently seen by Licensee on June 1, 2004. On July 12, 2005,
25 the Oregon Department of Human Services submitted a written request for a copy of
26 Patient C's records, in order to process a disability determination so that Patient C would
27 be able to receive disability related benefits. Licensee failed to respond to this request.

1 3.

2 Licensee and the Board desire to fully and finally settle this matter by the entry of this
3 stipulated order. Licensee understands that he has the right to a contested case hearing under the
4 Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 183 Oregon Revised Statutes), and fully and finally
5 waives the right to a contested case hearing and any appeal therefrom by the signing of and entry
6 of this Order in the Board's records. Licensee denies but the Board finds that he engaged in the
7 conduct described in paragraph 2 and that this conduct violated: ORS 677.190(1)(a)
8 unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, as defined in ORS 677.188(4)(a) and ORS 677.190(14)
9 gross or repeated acts of negligence. Licensee also understands that this Order is a public record
10 and is a disciplinary action that is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank.

11 4.

12 Licensee and the Board agree to resolve this matter by the entry of this Order subject to the
13 following terms:

14 4.1 Licensee is reprimanded.

15 4.2 Licensee is fined \$500, to be paid in full within 60 days from the date this Order is
16 signed by the Board Chair.

17 4.3 Within 30 days from resuming the active practice of medicine in Oregon in any
18 capacity, to include locum tenens, Licensee will enroll in the Physicians Evaluation
19 Education Renewal (PEER) program. Licensee will successfully complete PEER
20 within 24 months from the date of this enrollment and will sign all necessary
21 releases to allow full communication between the Board and PEER.

22 4.4 Licensee will complete continuing medical education courses pre-approved by the
23 Board's Medical Director in documentation and medical ethics within six months
24 from the signing of this Order by the Board Chair.

25 4.5 Upon his return to active practice in Oregon, Licensee's practice setting shall be
26 subject to advance approval by the Board's Medical Director.

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4.6 Licensee shall obey all federal, state and local laws and all rules governing the practice of medicine in the state of Oregon, as well as all laws pertaining to controlled substances.

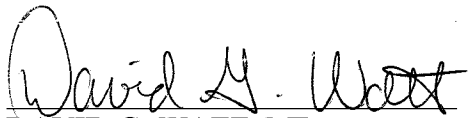
4.7 Licensee stipulates and agrees that any deviation from or violation of terms of this Order shall be grounds for discipline pursuant to ORS 677.190(18).

IT IS SO STIPULATED this 13th day of October 2006


DON ALAN CARNAHAN, MD

IT IS SO ORDERED this 2 day of November 2006

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
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Board Vice Chair

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Licensee understands that this Order is not a disciplinary action, but it is a public record and is reportable to the National Practitioners Databank and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Databank. This Order becomes effective the date it is signed by the Board Chair.

IT IS SO STIPULATED this 23rd day of October, 2006.


JOYCE FLORENCE CRADDICK, MD

IT IS SO ORDERED this 2 day of November, 2006.

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
State of Oregon


DAVID G. WATT, MD
Board Vice Chair