

**THE LOUISIANA STATE  
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

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**FEBRUARY 12, 2007  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA**

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A meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, pursuant to call of the President and lawful notice, was duly convened and called to order at 8:30 a.m., Monday, February 12, 2007 by order of the President, at the offices of the Board, 630 Camp Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Board Members were present as follows:

Kweli J. Amusa, M.D., President  
Linda Gage-White, M.D., Ph.D., Vice-President  
Mark Henry Dawson, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer  
Melvin G. Bourgeois, M.D.  
Keith C. Ferdinand, M.D.  
Kim Edward LeBlanc, M.D., Ph.D.  
Tonya Hawkins Sheppard, M.D.

The following members of the Board's staff were present:

Robert L. Marier, M.D., Executive Director  
Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Director of Investigations  
Emily Dianne Eisenhauer, M.D., Assistant Director of Investigations  
Grace Hammons, Program Compliance Officer Manager  
Christine Holder, Program Compliance Officer III  
Merian Glasper, Director of Licensure  
Rita L. Arceneaux, Confidential Executive Assistant

Legal counsel to the Board were present as follows:

Judge Frederick S. Ellis

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Philip O. Bergeron

1. **Minutes of January 2007.** The Board reviewed the minutes of its meeting of January 22, 23, 2007. Motion was made by Dr. LeBlanc, seconded, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the meetings together with the executive sessions conducted during such meeting with all necessary corrections.
2. **Confirmation of Interim Board Actions.** There were no interim Board actions requiring confirmation this month.
3. **Status Report on Action Items of Prior Board Meetings; Report on Assignments to Counsel.** The Board noted that all action items as assigned to staff and counsel from previous meetings had been completed.
4. **Rules and Regulations.**
  - a. Final Rules/Amendments: Physicians and Surgeons - Emergency Temporary Permits. In connection with the emergency rules (item d below), *Notice of Intent* of a rulemaking effort for Emergency Temporary Permits appeared in the September 20, 2006 edition of the *Louisiana Register*, and became final with publication in the January 20, 2007 issue of the *Louisiana Register*. b. Rules/Amendments: Noticed for Intent: Physicians and Surgeons; Collaborative Drug Therapy: In 1999, the pharmacy laws (R.S. 37:1164(37)) were amended to allow collaborative drug therapy management between physicians and pharmacists under rules jointly adopted by the two boards. In 2001, the Board proactively contacted the Pharmacy Board and suggested a pilot program for the collaborative prescribing of anticoagulation management (Warfarin). In 2002, under a Memorandum of Understanding adopted by the Board, a one (1) year study commenced at Glenwood Regional Medical Center, West Monroe. In May 2004, the Pharmacy Board sent the Board its report on the evaluation of the program. In August 2004, the Board received the report of its evaluators. In March 2005, the Board asked the Pharmacy Board for their recommendations on draft rules relative to the collaborative drug therapy. The following month, a 1-page non-specific drug therapy rule that did not track the pilot program was received. In March 2006, the Board notified the Pharmacy Board that it was working on recommendations. Act 627/SB679 (2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature) amended the pharmacy law to provide that the Board and Pharmacy Board shall publish *Notice of Intent* to adopt rules dealing with collaborative drug therapy management within 120 days from the effective day of the amendment, *i.e.*, August 15, 2006 or by December 15, 2006 at the latest. (See SB 679 for further details) A draft was prepared and circulated to the Director of Investigations and the Executive Director for comment and input and/or discussion with the Pharmacy Board's Executive Director. A draft of the rules was considered by the Board at its meeting of September 18, 2006. A special call meeting was held on October 13, 2006 to review further revisions to the proposed rules. Following discussion, the Board voted to publish *Notice of Intent* to adopt the rule amendments in the November 2006 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. During the twenty-day period prescribed for a public hearing (ending December 11, 2006) no request was received. Three written comments were received, all dated December 21, 2006, the last day of the written comment period. Due to discrepancies between

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rules noticed by the Board/Pharmacy Board, discussions were held between both Boards and modifications were presented for review along with the three written comments. Further review/action will be in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

c. Rules Under Development - Respiratory Therapy. The Advisory Committee for Respiratory Therapy prepared a number of amendments to Chapter 25 (46XLV.2501-2569) of the respiratory therapy rules (Licensure). Dr. Ferdinand, the Board's liaison to the Committee and counsel reviewed the proposed rule amendments and worked with the Committee to develop a more comprehensive draft for the Board's consideration. In December 2005 a further draft, containing additional modifications not previously addressed, along with proposed amendments to the Respiratory Therapy Practice Act administered by the Board were offered by the Committee to Dr. Ferdinand. Further review of the proposed amendments has been withheld until resolution of any amendments to the Respiratory Therapy Practice Act are finalized. In the interim, Dr. Ferdinand and counsel reviewed the proposed changes, counsel met with staff and a meeting was held on January 17, 2007 to discuss the matter further with representatives of the Advisory Committee on Respiratory Care. As soon as a draft of the proposed statutory amendment is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for discussion and consideration. Midwifery: The Midwifery Advisory Committee suggested a number of amendments to the Board's midwifery rules on licensing, 46XLV.2301-2373 and practice, 46X.V.5301-5363. Members of the Committee met with the Board during its January 2005 meeting to discuss their suggestions. The Board reviewed the proposed amendments at its meeting of February 15, 2005 and appointed a Subcommittee to study the issue and report their recommendations to the full Board. The Board's Subcommittee studied the Advisory Committee's suggestions and provided draft recommendations for their review and discussion. A reply to the Subcommittee's recommendations, dated June 26, 2006, was received, and the Subcommittee met during the July 2006 meeting and accepted some of the recommendations and rejected others. A revised draft was sent to the Advisory Committee on August 8, 2006 with the request that any final modifications be received in time to place a final draft on the September 2006 agenda for the Board's consideration. The Midwifery Advisory Committee and several individual midwives expressed concern over several areas of the proposed revisions and requested a meeting. A meeting was held between the Subcommittee and the Advisory Committee to discuss their concerns. As soon as a draft of the proposed statutory amendments is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for discussion and consideration. Perfusion: The Advisory Committee for Perfusionists submitted an initial draft of rules for the Board's consideration. Following review and discussion, the Board appointed Dr. Ferdinand and Board counsel to work with the Advisory Committee in the formulation of administrative rules relating to the licensure and practice of perfusion in this state. Dr. Ferdinand and counsel met with the Advisory Committee Chair to assist in developing a more comprehensive, focused draft of rules for the Board's consideration. As soon as the draft is received, reviewed and Dr. Ferdinand has had an opportunity to confer with the Advisory Committee and a draft of the proposed rules is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for consideration. In the interim, correspondence was directed to the Chair of the Advisory Committee offering further assistance as may be needed. Physicians and Surgeons; Registered Dispensing Physicians; Licensure and Practice: The Board requested that its existing rules governing registered dispensing physicians be modified relative to controlled substances. Several draft modifications were considered by the Board during its August 2006 meeting. Following review and discussion, the Board

approved the modifications to the dispensing rules and authorized publication of a *Notice of Intent* in the next issue of the *Louisiana Register*. *Physicians and Surgeons- Mid-Level Providers*: The Board has appointed a committee to work on the development of rules relative to supervision, collaboration and consultation with mid-level providers. As soon as a draft is finalized, it will be presented to the Board for discussion and consideration. *Physicians and Surgeons - Temporary Permits (Visiting Physician, Professor, Short-Term Residency/Preceptorship Permits)*: In view of difficulties experienced by applicants for certain short-term permits, staff proposed certain amendments to eliminate administrative burdens, delays and costs currently associated with the processing of restricted provisional temporary permits issued by the Board to visiting physicians who provide a service to the citizens of this state, to visiting professors who provide instruction or education to Louisiana physicians or graduate medical students, and to those physicians who rotate through a short-term residency program or serve a preceptorship in a medical school or accredited institution in this state for purposes of graduate medical education. Proposed amendments were presented to the Board for consideration at its meeting of December 11, 2006 to address several items. First, the amendments would allow these applicants and the Board to forego submission, collection and processing of criminal history record information. That process typically takes ninety days and is impractical with respect to the restricted provisional nature of these temporary permits given that applicants are in the state but for a brief period of time. Often visiting physicians are in Louisiana as little as one day to attend to a single patient but in no event more than ninety days. In addition, all of these permittees will be vouched for and performing under the inviting Louisiana physician (visiting physician), or medical school or institution (visiting professor, short-term residency/preceptorship). Second, the proposed rule amendment will eliminate the need for a personal appearance (short-term residency and preceptorship permits), and facilitate the Board's use of electronic technology for processing forms, applications and conducting its own verification of licensure status and for other purposes specified in the proposed amendments. Finally, inasmuch as visiting physicians and professors provide a valuable service to the citizens of this state by attending to Louisiana patients and educating physicians, the proposed rule amendments also allows the Board to waive the \$100 fee for the approximate 20-30 anticipated number of annual applicants for these categories of restricted temporary permits. Louisiana citizens who receive healthcare services from physicians issued restricted provisional temporary permits under the proposed rule amendments, and Louisiana physicians, graduate medical students who receive instruction and training (and in turn their current and future patients who are citizens of this state) will receive an unquantifiable benefit by virtue of the expertise of visiting physicians and/or professors. *Physician Assistants*: Based on inquiries by Joseph Bonck, Jr., the Board's Investigator and staff relative to application procedures and the differences in the substantive roles of supervising physicians, locum tenens physicians, and supervising groups, an analysis of the current physician assistant rules is being undertaken. A separate rule effort addressing scope of practice for physician assistants is also planned.

d. *Emergency Rules: Physicians and Surgeons; Emergency Temporary Permits*: In preparation of the 2006 Hurricane season, the Board requested the development of rules relative to emergency temporary permits for physicians and allied health care providers within the jurisdiction of the Board. Act 207/HB 486 (2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature) required all professional health care licensing boards to submit to the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals a plan for processing temporary

registration of health care providers from other states in the event of a public health emergency. The Board reviewed a draft of the proposed rules at its meeting of June 19, 2006. The draft was forwarded to DHH and thereafter included on the July 2006 agenda for consideration and discussion. The proposed rules creates and details the process whereby physicians and allied health care practitioners from other states may be licensed by the Board to provide emergency medical services in Louisiana during and following a public health emergency, as declared by the Governor of this state. The rule authorizes the Board to issue emergency temporary permits to physicians and allied health care providers who hold a current, unrestricted license or other authority to practice their profession in another state and who are in good standing in such jurisdictions. The rule includes all health care providers licensed by the Board, with the exception of acupuncturists' assistants, for which a separate emergency rule was heretofore adopted. As immediate implementation of this rule was determined to be in the public's best interest in the event that a public health emergency is declared prior to the final promulgation of the rule, the Board determined that emergency action was warranted to be followed by a regular rule-making effort. In accordance with the APA an Emergency Declaration, adopted by the Board, to be effective July 21, 2006, was sent to the *Louisiana Register* and those individuals required by law to receive notification. Notice of a regular rulemaking effort appeared in the September 2006 *Register*. Following the close of the comment period, with no adverse comments, the Board voted to adopt the proposed rule, and they became final by publication in the January 20, 2007 edition of the *Louisiana Register*.

**5. General Administrative Matters; Facility Planning; Personal Appearance; Glenn Higgins, HMS Architects.** Glenn Higgins, AIA, CSI and Michael Hindlin, HMS Architects appeared before the Board to discuss the assessment relative to the costs associated with renovating the building and alternative plans. They outlined costs associated with the roof repair, air-conditioning system, air ducts and bringing the building up to code. They also outlined the costs associated with leasing space for an offsite office during the renovation. Following their appearance, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board voted to explore the possibilities of selling the property and leasing office space in the New Orleans downtown area.

**6. Ruling and Advisory Opinions; Supervision Requirements for Physician Assistants/Dispensing Physicians.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from J. Barrett Benton, Esq. and Jeffery Braud, Esq., Benton, Benton & Associates requesting advisory opinions on whether a physician assistant working with a group of physicians may engage in practice when the supervising physician is not physically present; or may a physician assistant practice under supervision of another member of a physician group to include those not registered with the Board as supervising physicians or locum tenens, as long as one member of the group is registered as a supervising physician. The correspondence also requested an advisory opinion on the eligibility for a physician to register as a dispensing or supervising physician considered three years after receiving a medical degree or three years from the completion of residency training. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Mr. Benton that a physician assistant can only practice under the supervision of a physician registered with the Board as either a supervising physician or locum tenens and the physical presence of the supervising physician at the same location is not required as long as the supervising physician can be reached through some means of communication. Mr. Benton

was further advised that a physician is eligible to register as a dispensing physician three years after completion of residency training, and finally, a physician may be registered with the Board as a supervising physician upon the award of a medical degree for supervising physician.

**7. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Licensure of Pathology Consultants.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from James H. Meyers, M.D., Medical Director and William L. Betsill, Jr., M.D., Divisional Medical Director, Laboratory Corporation of America seeking the Board's policy on the requirement of medical licensure for consulting pathologists examining specimens originating in Louisiana but sent to another state. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to provide Drs. Meyers and Betsill a copy of the Board's Statement on Telemedicine.

**8. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Policy Statement on Telemedicine.** The Board reviewed the correspondence received from Dale R. Sisco, P.A., requesting a policy statement from the Board on telemedicine. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to forward a copy of the Telemedicine Statement to Mr. Sisco.

**9. Rulings and Advisory Opinions; Operation of Blood Gas Analyzer.** The Board reviewed correspondence received from Stacey Franchebois, Lab Manager, Women's and Children's Hospital, Lafayette seeking an advisory opinion on whether allied health professionals, such as LPN's, RN's, ER Technicians and Phlebotomists, may operate a blood gas analyzer. Following review and discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to inform Ms. Franchebois of the prior opinion of the Board.

**10. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards; FCVS Report.** The Board reviewed the report submitted by Kevin Caldwell, Director, FCVS on the processing of FCVS applications for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2006 for Louisiana. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**11. Communication and Information; Federation of State Medical Boards; Nominating Committee Report.** The Board reviewed the report submitted by the Nominating Committee showing the list of nominees for the 1-3 year terms on the Board of Directors, Nominating Committee and Editorial Committee of the Federation. It was noted that Dr. LeBlanc would be running for a three-year term on the Board of Directors. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**12. Communication and Information; Patient Safety Authority.** The Board reviewed information released by the Patient Safety Authority, an independent agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania regarding the administration of sedation drugs. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**13. General Administrative Matters; President's Report.** The Board received the report of the President on her activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr. Amusa reported on the attendance at the Board Orientation held in Baton Rouge in which she participated. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**14. General Administrative Matters; Executive Director's Report.** The Board received the report of the Executive Director on his activities since the last meeting of the Board. Dr.

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Marier reported that Dr. Bourgeois recommended that a special gold certificate should be issued to physicians who have been in practice for twenty-five years or more. Following discussion, upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved issuance of a special certificate to physicians who have been in practice for twenty-five years or more. Dr. Marier was authorized to work out the logistics of how it would be handled.

**[15.] Professional Liability Report.** On the motion of Dr. Bourgeois, the Board convened in executive session, to consider the report of Dr. Eisenhower on professional liability cases reviewed since the last meeting of the Board as matters relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of licensees, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(4). No further action was required or taken on these matters.

**[16.] Investigative Reports.** Continuing in executive session, the Board considered the investigative reports as matters relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of a licensee, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(4). Following the review, the Board resumed in open session. Upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, the Board approved the following:

- a. Consent Orders: The following Consent Order were accepted:

Gerald Alan Ross, M.D., Docket No., 06-I-770  
Robert James Duncan, PA, Docket No., 06-I-581

- b. Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of License: The following Stipulation and Agreement for Voluntary Surrender of Licenses were accepted:

William D. Edwards, CLP, Docket No. 06-I-421  
Suzette Lucille Cullins, M.D., Docket No. 05-I-582

- c. Discontinued. The following matters were discontinued:

Docket No., 06-I-635  
Docket No., 07-I-049

- d. Administrative Complaints. The following administrative complaints were approved for filing and for scheduling of a formal hearing:

Docket No., 06-I-684  
Docket No., 05-I-273  
Docket No., 06-I-664

**[17.] Investigative Reports; Personal Appearance; Robert James Duncan, PA.** Continuing in executive session, Robert James Duncan, PA., appeared before the Board in connection with the acceptance of his Consent Order. Mr. Duncan acknowledged he understood the terms of the Consent Order. He further acknowledged his understanding that the order is a public record.

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**[18.] Personal Appearances/Docket Calendar.** Continuing in executive session, the Board reviewed the calendar of personal appearances and docketed hearings, as matters relating to allegations of misconduct and the character and professional conduct of licensees, La.Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(4).

**[19.] Report on Pending Litigation.** Continuing in executive session, the Board received the report of legal counsel on pending litigation to which the Board was a party and the status of proceedings for judicial review of prior Board decisions, La. Rev. Stat. § 42:6.1 A(2). No further action was required or taken in this matter.

**[20.] General Disciplinary Matters.** Continuing in executive session, the Board considered requests relating to the execution or modification of a Decision and/or Consent Order as a matter relating to the character and professional conduct of licensees, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §42:6.1. Following review and discussion, the Board resumed in open session and upon motion made and passed by unanimous voice vote, took the following actions:

- a. Probation Report - The Board noted the activity report for the probation department submitted for this month.
- b. Site Visits - The Board reviewed the report of site visits performed by Joseph Bonck, Investigator.
- c. Crawford, John Craig, M.D. - To approve modification of the Consent Order in the matter of John Craig Crawford, M.D. to allow him to prescribe Schedule V controlled substances at this time.
- d. Enforcement Indicators Report - The Board noted the Enforcement Indicators Report for the last 10 years. No further action was required or taken on this matter.

**21. Licensure and Certification; Clinical Laboratory Personnel.** The Board reviewed and approved the applications submitted of clinical laboratory personnel processed for licensure and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Generalists

Dore, Renee Dorothea  
Gabriel, Courtnei Alecia  
Harper, Shayna L.  
Hidalgo, Jennifer Michael

Hoffman, Andrea R.  
Leger, Noelle Renee  
Lorman, James A.  
Miller, Julia K.

Generalist - Temporary Permit

Comeaux, Angela Marie

Menard, Amanda H.

Generalist - Trainee

Babineaux, Cristy L.

Vandersteen, Natalie C.

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Technician

Bynum, Doris Marie

Technician - Temporary Permit

Ortis, Joy L.

Cytotechnologist

Boyce, Mindy M.

Laboratory Assistants

Bernal, Mary Ann Ganigan  
Bridges, Stacey S.  
Clodfelter, Jeremy Brian

Mead, Fatima H.  
Richardson, Carolyn M.

Phlebotomist

Goleman, Kristin R.

Upgrade to Generalist

Caver, April Dawn  
Courtney, Elizabeth Erin  
Fuhrmann, Laura Yates

Hargis, Doulgas L.  
Hooker, Avery J.

Upgrade to Technician

Carpenter, Lindsey A.

Watts, Nancy

Upgrade to Laboratory Assistant

Cathcart, Kandice

Lee, Jared M.

**22. Licensure and Certification; Respiratory Therapy.** The Board reviewed the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Certified Respiratory Therapists

Bickham, Benton R.  
Chustz, Shellie C.  
Cockerham, Julie B.  
Glasscock, Rebecca L.  
Guidry, Bethany L.

Olinde, Amy M.  
Roskelley, Kier L.  
Shirley, Brian P.  
Smith, Stephanie A.  
Tran, Megan H.

Registered Respiratory Therapists

Broome, Melanie Joyce  
Dennis, Leslie Kay  
Garner, Andreka D.  
Gilbert, Susan Angelica  
Gros, Tony Jenkins

Knight, Teresa Iola  
McKay, Brandy P.  
Schneider, Brittany R.  
Thomas, Sharon Elaine

Certified Eligible Respiratory Therapists - 12 Month Temporary Permit

Cousson, Lindsey B.

Wright, Tara L.

**23. Licensure and Certification; Occupational Therapy.** The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Occupational Therapist - Examination

Doucet, Mika Shane  
Renfrow, Tracy Carroll

Teague, Faith Clarin

Occupational Therapist - Reciprocity

Davis, Kelli Allen

Welcome, Constance Faith

Occupational Therapy Assistant - Examination

Kelley, Kathryn Ann  
Newton, Lindsey Caskey

Riley, Cara Roxanne

**24. Licensure and Certification; Athletic Trainers.** The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Examination

Bertrand, Cyd Alyse  
Dufrene, Nicole Watson

Hall, Erica Faith

**25. Licensure and Certification; Physician Assistants.** The Board considered the items submitted and upon motion made, duly seconded, and carried by majority voice vote, made the following decisions:

- a. Supervising Physicians - To approve the applications of the following, noting in accordance with the Board's rules, new supervising physicians for physician assistants were to be interviewed by a Board member:

Baldrige, Lisa Leigh, DO

Billings, Charles Roland, M.D.

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Broussard, Jamie Winston, M.D.  
Conners, Michael Stanley, M.D.  
Counts, Jeffrey Roy, M.D.  
Hutchinson, Myriam De Jesus, M.D.

Mahler, Simon A., M.D.  
Sawyer, Douglas Clayton, M.D.  
Soto, Luis Felipe, M.D.  
Trevino, Chris Tom, M.D.

b. Intent to Practice (Supervising Physician). To approve the supervising physician for the following previously approved physician assistants:

- 1) Carruth, James William, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Myriam Hutchinson, Gulf Regional Occupational Medicine Center of Acadiana; 121 E. St. Victor Street; 104 North Hospital Drive, Abbeville.
- 2) Chreene, Christi Ann, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Douglas C. Sawyer, 119 Jefferson Street, Mansfield.
- 3) Frick, Brad William, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Myriam Hutchinson, Gulf Regional Occupational Medicine Center of Acadiana; 121 E. St. Victor Street; 104 North Hospital Drive, Abbeville.
- 4) Jackson, Allison Rowland, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Lisa Baldrige, 17000 Medical Center Drive, Baton Rouge.
- 5) Knight, John J., PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Lisa Baldrige, 17000 Medical Center Drive, Baton Rouge.
- 6) Kukuy, Joanna Olson, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Luis F. Soto, 4300 Houma Boulevard, Metairie.
- 7) Melancon, Charles Daniel, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Norman Anseman, 459 Heymann Boulevard, Lafayette.
- 8) Meyer, Kimberly Ellen, PAC - Supervising physician: Dr. Richard H. Turnage, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of General Surgery, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 9) Vallien, Gina Louise, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Carmen E. Johnson, 3975 I-49 South Service Road, Suite 201, Opelousas.

c. Locum Tenens. To approve the locum tenens applications of the following provided all requirements had been met:

- 1) Anissian, Lucas, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Anne Hollister, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 2) Anseman, Norman, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Wayne Thomas Lindemann, 155 Hospital Drive, Lafayette.

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- 3) Anseman, Norman, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Carolyn Yvonne Smith, 850 N. Pierce Street, Lafayette.
- 4) Anseman, Norman, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Thomas Charles Laborde, 1101 S. College Drive, Suite 206 Lafayette.
- 5) Berry, Buford E., M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Michael Stanley Conners, 7777 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 1008, Baton Rouge.
- 6) Johnson, Carmen E., M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Monique P. Dibbs Vallee, 3975 I-49 South Service Road, Suite 201, Opelousas.
- 7) Laborde, Thomas, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Norman Eugene Anseman, Jr., 459 Heymann Boulevard, Lafayette.
- 8) Lindeman, Wayne, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Drs. Norman Eugene Anseman, Jr. and Thomas Laborde, 459 Heymann Boulevard, Lafayette.
- 9) McCall, Richard, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Anne Mildred Hollister, Louisiana State University Health Science Center, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 10) Mosadegh, Mehdi, M.D. - Supervising physician. Locum tenens: Dr. Linda Kathleen McDonald, 3705 Florida Avenue, Kenner.

d. Prescriptive Authority. To approve the applicants for prescriptive authority in accordance with promulgated of the rules effective January 20, 2005 provided all requirements had been met:

- 1) Baudoin, Bruce Paul, PAC - Supervising physician: Dr. Thomas Latour, 325 Kaliste Saloon Road, Lafayette.
- 2) Brewer, Jonathan D., PA - Supervising physician: Dr. George Belchie, 4864 Jackson Street, Monroe.
- 3) Fatheree, Kelli Elaine, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. James W. Small, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 4) Kukuy, Joanna, Olson, PA - Supervising physician: Dr. Luis Felipe Soto, 4300 Houma Boulevard, Metairie.
- 5) Poche, Kimberly Ann, PAC - Supervising physician: Dr. Carlos Rodriguez-Fierro, 1111 Medical Center Boulevard, Suite 305 South, Marrero.

e. Transfer to New Supervising Physician - To approve the following transfer to new supervising physicians for the following:

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- 1) Akin, Michelle Lea, PA - Old supervising physician: Dr. Dennis Venable. New supervising physician: Dr. Ravish Patwardham, The Comprehensive Neurosurgery Network, LLC, 8001 Youree Drive, Suite 970, Shreveport.
- 2) Hall, Helen, PA - Old supervising physician: Dr. Donna Carden. New Supervising physician: Dr. Jennifer Springhart, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Emergency Medicine, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 3) Jarrett, Annie Kay Lahood, PAC - Old supervising physician: Dr. Donna Carden. New supervising physician: Dr. Jennifer Springhart, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, Department of Emergency Medicine, 1501 Kings Highway, Shreveport.
- 4) Merrell, John Westley, PAB - Old supervising physician: Dr. Howard Newman. New supervising physician: Dr. Buford E. Berry, CVT Surgical Center, 7777 Hennessy Boulevard, Suite 1008, Baton Rouge.
- 5) Midyett, Susan C., PA - Old supervising physician: Dr. Arthur Poch. New supervising physician: Dr. Randal G. White, Nephrology Consultants, LLC, 745 Olive Street, Suite 200, Shreveport.
- 6) Poche, Kimberly Ann, PAC - Old supervising physician: Dr. David Silvers. New supervising physician: Dr. Carlos Rodriguez-Fierro, 1111 Medical Center Boulevard, Suite 350, South, Marrero.
- 7) Wilbon, Miriam Jyvonnie, PAC - Old supervising physician: Dr. Richard D. Inglese. New supervising physician: Dr. Rosalind A. Cropper, 4116 Old Gentilly Road, New Orleans.

f. New Applicants - To approve the application for the following whose supervising physician had not yet been determined:

Bossier, Julie

Bergeron, Katherine

g. Upgrade - To approve the upgrade of the following due to passage of the NCCPA-PANCE examination:

Bossier, Julie T.

Robinson, Leonard Joseph, Jr.

**26. Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; Foreign Medical Graduates.**

The Board reviewed the items regarding graduates of foreign medical schools and upon motion made, duly seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote, approved the applications of the following provided all requirements had been met:

Azrak, Muhammad Iyad  
Demattia, Jason Kelly  
Graham, Melinda Lee

Gummadi, Sarada  
Pratt, Coleman Sims  
Pulakhandam, Sreelatha

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Shirodkar, Alka

Uysal, Askin

**27. Licensure and Certification; Physicians & Surgeons; U.S./Canadian Medical Graduates.** The Board reviewed items submitted regarding graduates of U.S. or Canadian medical schools and upon motion made, duly seconded and carried by unanimous voice vote, made the following decisions:

a. Non-Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Nguyen, Bao Cao

Pennington, Marian F.

b. Routine - To approve the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Diamond, Alan S.  
Hayes, Jason T.  
Kam, Christine N.

Karge, Michael J., Jr.  
Knecht, Lance H.

**28. Licensure and Certification; Dispensing Registration.** The Board reviewed the applications submitted and upon motion made, duly seconded and carried by unanimous voice, made the following decisions:

a. Deferred - To defer on the application of the following for issuance of dispensation registration pending receipt of additional information:

1) Oliver, Charles A., M.D. - 4212 West Congress Street, Lafayette.  
Specialty: Orthopedic Surgery. Medications to be dispensed: As listed.

b. Add/Change Dispensing Location.

1) Kang, Gloria Chulok, M.D. - Add: New Image Health & Wellness, 1800 Carol Sue Avenue, Suite 3, Gretna; 315 South College Road, Suite 190, Lafayette.

**29. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Relicensure/Reinstatement.** The Board reviewed the applications submitted for reinstatement and upon motion made, duly seconded and unanimously carried, approved reinstatement of the following provided all requirements had been met:

Generalist

May, Rebekah Allison

**30. Licensure and Certification; Perfusionists.** The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Floyd, Donald G.  
Huang, Swee-Eng  
Hunley, Eric K.

Luecke, John David  
Youngblood, Michael Rupert

**31. Licensure and Certification; Clinical Exercise Physiologist.** The Board considered the application submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Greer, Tina D.

**32. Licensure and Certification; Acupuncture.** The Board considered the application submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Acupuncture

Zhang, Paul Xuejan

**33. Licensure and Certification; Podiatrist.** The Board considered the application submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Dhulipala, Neeharika

**34. Licensure and Certification; Polysomnography.** The Board considered the applications submitted and upon motion made and unanimously carried, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Technologists

Johnson, Joshua DeWayne

**35. Licensure and Certification; Other Licensure Matters; Fingerprint Discrepancies Report.** The Board reviewed the reports of Cecilia Ann Mouton, M.D., Investigating Officer, on the applicants for licensure with fingerprint discrepancies. Following review, on motion of Dr. Bourgeois, duly seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the Board accepted the report of Dr. Mouton and upon motion made, duly seconded and passed by unanimous voice vote, approved the following for licensure provided all requirements had been met:

Supervising Physician

Leggio, Benjamin

Clinical Laboratory Personnel

Henderson, Kristi Michelle

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Respiratory Therapists

Nguyen, Dung V.

Acupuncture Assistant

Stabler, Allen L.

**36. Next Meeting of Board.** The President reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for March 19, 20, 2007.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a full, true and correct account of the proceedings of the meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, save for executive session of the Board conducted therein, held on February 12, 2007, as approved by the Board on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007.

Witness my hand and seal of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007.

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Mark Henry Dawson, M.D.  
Secretary-Treasurer

Attest:

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Kweli J. Amusa, M.D.  
President