



# Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Newsletter

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## New KASPER Prescriber Report Card Launched

Did you know that Kentucky now has a new KASPER Prescriber Report card available for physicians and other prescribers? The new prescriber report card replaces the old model and expands the information available to help prescribers monitor their controlled substance prescribing, and to compare their prescribing practices with all Kentucky prescribers and with prescribers in the same specialty area. KASPER Prescriber Report Cards are available on a quarterly basis and annual (calendar year) basis. A copy of the new user guide for this option is now available on the KASPER public web site: [www.chfs.ky.gov/KASPER](http://www.chfs.ky.gov/KASPER).

To simplify access, KASPER prescriber master account holders have the option to authorize one or more of their delegates to request an electronic or hardcopy of the prescriber report card on their behalf. Prescribers with multiple DEA licenses should contact the KASPER Help Desk to add them to their account so they will be included in the prescriber report card calculations.

The Board applauds the wonderful enhancements made by the Kentucky Health and Family Services Cabinet and encourages physicians to make time to review their report cards on a regular basis.

## Save the Date - Board Offering a Free Opioid Prescribing CME

As part of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure's ongoing commitment to provide resources and education to address Kentucky's opioid epidemic, it will be holding a free day long continuing medical education event at **Baptist Health Lexington** on **Saturday, June 23, 2018**. The focus of the education will be on the requirements of House Bill 1 and House Bill 333 along with 201 KAR 9:260 and the critical components of opioid management. This in-depth course will also provide critical information on managing patients on opioids, interpreting urine drug screens, weaning opioids and recognizing and dealing with addiction.

There will be no costs for attending the educational event and the course is approved for HB 1 CME and for the Board's current CME cycle. Again, the training is free and lunch will be provided.

In the coming days, the Board will announce additional registration information.

Board Orders can be viewed under the Physician Profile/  
Verification of License link on the Board's website at  
[www.kbml.ky.gov](http://www.kbml.ky.gov)

**Board Action Report (actions taken since 01/01/18)**

**Robert L. Bertram, D.O., Russell Springs, KY, License # 02506**

Agreed Order entered into 02/27/18.

**Stephen D. Burton, M.D., St. Petersburg, FL, License # 30716**

Agreed Order entered into 02/07/18.

**Michael B. Chesnut, M.D., Paris, KY, License # 29325**

Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order  
issued 01/24/18.

**Richard H. Dubou, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 20009**

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 02/15/18.

**Gregory G. Duma, M.D., Mason, OH, License # 28974**

Agreed Order entered into 02/28/18.

**Victor A. Dunn, PA-C, Owensboro, KY, License # PA340**

Third Amended Agreed Order entered into 01/29/18.

**Kelby Lee Frame, M.D., Washington, PA, License # 45248**

Agreed Order entered into 02/28/18.

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Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 03/14/18.

**Rochelle Goldberg, M.D., Bryn Mawr, PA, License # 46783**

Agreed Order entered into 03/01/18.

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Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 03/16/18.

**Thomas G. Hughes, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 34678**

Second Amended Agreed Order entered into  
02/28/18.

**Daniel F. Jung, D.O., Statesboro, GA, License # 03384**

Amended Agreed Order entered into 01/23/18.

**John K. McKelvey, M.D., Travelers Rest, SC, License # 51004**

Agreed Order entered into 01/08/18.

**Shane Thomas Napier, D.O., Central City, KY, License # 03486**

Agreed Order entered into 02/07/18.

**Edward I. Nelson, M.D., Springboro, OH, License # 34587**

Agreed Order entered into 03/13/18.

**Robin G. Peavler, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 38971**

Agreed Order entered into 02/16/18.

**Shikhar Saxena, M.D., Omaha, NE, License # 51240**

Agreed Order of Fine entered into 03/28/18.

**Matthew S. Schoen, M.D., Carrollton, TX, License # 51233**

Agreed Order entered into 03/23/18.

**Abram Schumacher, M.D., Omaha, NE, License # 51241**

Agreed Order of Fine entered into 03/28/18.

**Louie N. Williams, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 26921**

Agreed Order entered into 02/28/18.

**David L. Winkle, M.D., Lexington, KY, License # 15951**

Amended Agreed Order entered into 03/19/18.

**Bryan S. Wood, M.D., Danville, KY, License # 35104**

Agreed Order entered into 02/14/18.

**Amir Zia, M.D., Bowling Green, KY, License # 38494**

Amended Agreed Order entered into 02/07/18.

**Restrictions have also been placed on the following  
physicians' licenses pending resolution of charges  
brought against them.**

**Martin A. Barrios, M.D., Jackson, KY, License # 42222**

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 03/23/18,  
effective 03/26/18.

**Felix Brizuela, D.O., Harrison City, PA, License # 03998**

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 03/27/18,  
effective 03/30/18.

**Marcello Pietrantoni, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 29075**

Complaint and Emergency Order of Suspension  
issued 02/16/18, effective 02/17/18.

**Peter M. Steiner, M.D., Louisville, KY, License # 32156**

Emergency Order of Suspension issued 03/01/18,  
effective 03/05/18.

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## Gabapentin Found in Kentucky Overdose Deaths

The Board wanted physicians to be aware of recent media reports, which have indicated that Gabapentin has shown up in approximately one-third of all drug deaths across Kentucky in 2016. While the drug alone is not blamed on the overdoses, it is cited as a contributing factor as it is often combined with more powerful drugs, and law enforcement agencies throughout the Commonwealth have seen an increase in its illegal trafficking as a street drug in the past couple of years.

With this information in mind, the Board would like to remind physicians that Kentucky classified all Gabapentin products as a Schedule V controlled substances last year. Along with this change, all applicable provisions of KRS Chapter 218A, 902 KAR Chapter 55 and 201 KAR 9:260 apply to Gabapentin. While the Board notes that Schedule V controlled substances are exempt from the provisions of 201 KAR 9:260, the Board encourages caution in light of these reports and recommends the regular use of KASPER into the prescribing of ANY controlled substance. Due to the fact that KASPER will be tracking all Gabapentin prescriptions, you can check the database to see if your patient is getting the drug from more than one physician or practitioner.

## Vacancy Opening for Kentucky Board of Licensed Diabetes Educators

This is a special announcement for any licensed physician interested in serving on the Kentucky Board of Licensed Diabetes Educators. Currently, this board, which meets on a quarterly basis, has an opening for a licensed Kentucky physician with experience in diabetes education. Pursuant to KRS 309.329, the State Board of Medical Licensure shall submit a list of three (3) nominees who are licensed medical physicians with experience in diabetes education for potential membership to the KY Board of Licensed Diabetes Educators. The Governor may select a representative from the list provided by the State Board of Medical Licensure to serve as a member of KY Board of Licensed Diabetes Educators.

All nominees must submit an application to the Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions for consideration, together with a resume. The application may be completed online and resume uploaded at: <https://boardregister.ky.gov/BnC/Account/Login.aspx>.

If you are interested in serving on the Kentucky Board of Licensed Diabetes Educators, please complete the application process mentioned above and notify the KBML of your interest. You may do so by contacting Ms. Jennie Woods at [jennie.woods@ky.gov](mailto:jennie.woods@ky.gov).

## You Can Help Control Louisville's Hepatitis A Outbreak

The Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness continues to work to control an outbreak of acute hepatitis A (HAV), which remains centered among those who use illicit drugs and the homeless. As of April 17, there had been 241 cases in Louisville and one death associated with the outbreak.

The medical community can play a huge role in helping to control the outbreak. As you know, HAV is spread through the fecal-oral route, has a 15 – 50-day incubation period, and causes acute symptoms of nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, dark urine, diarrhea, light stools, fever, fatigue, malaise, loss of appetite, joint pain, and most notably jaundice. The diagnosis is confirmed with HAV IgM antibody testing. It can be deadly, particularly in those with co-morbid conditions such as other forms of liver disease. But, there are things we can do to prevent the spread if we are able to quickly identify and interview cases, notify contacts of potential exposure, and provide post-exposure prophylaxis in the form of hepatitis A vaccine or Immunoglobulin (IG).

Dr. Lori Caloia, the medical director of Louisville Metro Public Health and Wellness is asking for your help. Here is what physicians and other health care providers can do.

**Expand your differential diagnosis.** Think of hepatitis A in your patient work up, particularly if they have jaundice or the outbreak risk factors for hepatitis A of homelessness or drug use.

**Order a Hepatitis A IgM antibody test for confirmatory testing** (a Hepatitis A Total Antibody does not help distinguish acute from prior infection or vaccination and should only be ordered to confirm immunity to HAV).

**Take a good history.** Find out if infected patients have been in contact with anyone with hepatitis A, exactly when symptoms began (particularly jaundice, as this helps us to determine their infectious period in which they could have spread the virus to others), and where they have been living (i.e. homeless, correctional facilities or other congregate settings). Do they use drugs? Do they have other co-morbid diseases such as hepatitis B or C that may put them at risk for severe outcomes?

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## You Can Help Control Louisville's Hepatitis A Outbreak (continued from page 3)

**Promptly report any suspected or laboratory confirmed case of Hepatitis A to LMPHW.** Call communicable diseases staff at (502) 574-6675 or fax EPID-200 form to (502) 574-5865). All communicable diseases are reportable to the health department (acute Hepatitis A within 24 hours) and the sooner we receive this information, the more time we have to contact the case patient, identify their contacts and provide post-exposure prophylaxis to contacts, further preventing disease. Please don't rely on someone else to do this. The hospital lab reporting is often delayed. You, who are caring for the patient, are the first to suspect and often the first to respond to the positive lab result. The infection prevention nurse at your hospital can help with the reporting. Please consider using our epidemiology data collection tool for obtaining historical information that can assist us at LMPHW with the outbreak investigation.

**Recommend hepatitis A vaccination to your patients!** As a routine preventive health measure, HAV vaccine is covered by insurance. It is an incredibly effective vaccine, with 96 - 100% seroconversion within 4 weeks of vaccination. Even one dose of vaccine can be effective for up to 10 years and completion of the 2 part vaccine series confers 20 or more years of immunity.

**Provide post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) to those who have been in contact with someone infected with HAV within 14 days of exposure.** Healthy people age 1-40 should be provided Hepatitis A vaccine for PEP. Provide Immunoglobulin (IG) to close contacts of those with HAV if under age 1, pregnant, or if other comorbidities exist, if available. Hepatitis A vaccine should be offered to contacts if IG is not available. The dosage of IG is 0.1mL/kg.

**Consider helping with the local efforts.** There are various ways to do this:

- Join the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC). Though some paperwork is required to be completed up front (background check), once you become a member, you can respond with any of the LMPHW efforts that are already ongoing. Joining the MRC does not obligate you to respond to future events. If you are interested in joining the MRC, please contact Kim Rogers at (502) 526-6833.
- Work with your organization to spread the word of the outbreak and encourage involvement in response efforts. We all have competing priorities within our own organizations, and having physician champions for this cause can help highlight this as a priority in your organization. If you are a leader within your organization, consider how you could assist in our outbreak response.
- Identify additional locations where vaccination may be needed. If you are involved in community organizations or events that serve at-risk populations, let us know! We have found many locations such as churches and food pantries that have allowed us to reach those with vaccine that we might not have reached otherwise.
- Donate money or items to help with vaccine efforts. Incentives such as personal care items, small food items such as granola bars, can be used during vaccine events to increase participation in the at-risk population.

For more information or to get involved in the HAV outbreak response, please contact Dr. Caloia at [lori.caloia@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:lori.caloia@louisvilleky.gov).

### 2018 Annual Renewal of Physician Licenses

Annual renewal of physician licenses for the current year has just been completed. The Board is pleased to announce that 97% of physicians utilized the on-line renewal service this year. As of April 5, 2018, a total of 16,838 physicians have renewed their medical/osteopathic license. This reflects an increase of 174 over last year's total for the same period. Of the total, 11,197 physicians reported a practice address in Kentucky.

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