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Newsletter

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Monkeypox Information from Kentucky Department of Public Health

Monkeypox is a rare disease caused by infection with monkeypox virus. Monkeypox virus can spread when a person comes into contact with the virus from an infected animal, infected person or materials contaminated with the virus. Monkeypox virus spreads between people primarily through direct contact with infectious sores, scabs or body fluids. It also can be spread by respiratory secretions during prolonged, face-to-face contact and during intimate contact between people.

Monkeypox virus infection typically begins with a fever, headache, muscle aches, swollen lymph nodes and exhaustion, followed by a rash. The illness typically lasts 2-4 weeks and individuals are considered contagious while symptoms are present. Individuals concerned about monkeypox virus should contact their health care provider.

Information for health care providers

Clinicians should be alert to patients presenting with a new <u>characteristic</u> <u>rash</u> or if the patient meets one of the <u>epidemiologic criteria</u> and there is a high clinical suspicion for monkeypox. If monkeypox is suspected, KDPH should be consulted through 888-9REPORT (888-973-7678).

Please visit KDPH's website for more information: <u>Monkeypox - Cabinet for</u> <u>Health and Family Services (ky.gov)</u>.

KASPER New Functionality

The Board would like to highlight to physicians that KASPER has recently added functionality to aid in a prescriber's decision-making process. Please be aware that a new alert highlighting overlapping opioid and benzodiazepine prescriptions may appear on a KASPER report. Physicians should make note of such alerts and consider them when making the decision to prescribe a controlled substance.

You can find also find helpful information such as Tips and Frequently Asked Questions regarding KASPER and matters involving controlled substances such as accessing a KASPER holder's quarterly and annual prescribing report card by visiting the KASPER webpage, <u>https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/os/oig/dai/deppb/Pages/kasper.aspx</u>.

Updated MOST Form Available

201 KAR 9:470 is the Board's regulation regarding the standardized medical order for scope of treatment ("MOST form"). In accordance with the adoption of SB 173, which was passed during the 2022 Legislative Session, the regulation will be amended in the coming months.

In the interim, the Board will suspend enforcement of provisions of the existing regulation to the extent that it conflicts with SB 173 (2022) amendments of KRS 311.6225. Thus, effective July 1, 2022: Printed or electronic versions of the MOST form are equally valid and enforceable. *If printed*, the MOST form shall be printed on a single double-sided eight and a half (8.5) x eleven (11) inch piece of paper of *any color*.

The Board has provided an updated electronically fillable and printable version of the MOST form, which is also available in Spanish (created June 2022). You can find these documents on the Boards website under the MOST Form tab.

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Board Orders can be viewed under the Physician Profile/ Verification of License link on the Board's website: <u>www.kbml.ky.gov</u>		
Board Action Report (actions taken since 04/01/2022)	Victor G. Lawson, M.D., Paris, KY License #29133 Agreed Order of Retirement entered into 4/21/2022	
Andrew Banks, M.D., Madisonville, KY License #R5619	John T. Mahan, M.D., Shelbyville, KY License #28822 Agreed Order entered into 5/06/2022	
Order Terminating Amended Agreed Order issued 6/20/2022	 Ijaz Mahmood, M.D., Louisville, KY License #31150 Order of Revocation issued 4/22/0200, effective 5/25/2022 Virgil W. McMillion, D.O., Morgantown, WV License 	
Paul V. Brooks, M.D., Lexington, KY License #32337 Agreed Order entered into 6/27/2022		
Shannon P. Calhoun, D.O., Omaha, NE License	#C0283	
#02801 Agreed Order entered into 4/21/2022	Agreed Order entered into 5/04/2022	
Jeffrey A. Campbell, M.D., Jeffersonville, IN License #23424	Lawrence H. Peters, M.D., Louisville, KY License #31716	
Order of Revocation issued 4/22/0200, effective	Agreed Order entered into 6/16/2022	
5/23/2022 Crystal K. Compton, D.O., Pikeville, KY License	Marvin Pinzon, D.O., Atlanta, GA License #05321 Agreed Order of Fine issued 6/28/2022	
#03120	Stephanie M. Russell, M.D., Prospect, KY License #33992	
Order of Revocation issued 4/21/0200, effective 5/23/2022	Interim Agreed Order entered into 6/13/2022	
Arthur Crowley, M.D., Alpharetta, GA License #57035	Amir Zia, M.D., Bowling Green, KY License #38494 Third Amended Agreed Order entered into	
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 6/24/2022	4/28/2022	
Curtis Elam, M.D., Aiken, SC License #54464 Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 6/17/2022	Restrictions have also been placed on the following physicians' licenses pending resolution of charges brought against them.	
Gladys R. Gregory, M.D., Gallatin, TN License #48713		
Order of Indefinite Restriction issued 4/21/0200, effective 5/21/2022	Robert Buege, M.D., Shepherdsville, KY License #47693	
Sai P. Gutti, M.D., Pikeville, KY License #29929 Order Terminating Agreed Order issued	Emergency Order of Suspension issued 6/14/2022, effective 6/14/2022	
4/22/2022	Loey J. Kousa, M.D., Paintsville, KY License #29671 Emergency Order of Restriction issued	
Amy S. Henry, D.O., Santa Claus, IN License #03103 Agreed Order entered into 5/05/2022	5/05/2022, effective 5/09/2022	
John M. Horn, M.D., Danville, KY License #24626 Agreed Order entered into 4/11/2022		
Waheed Jalalzai, M.D., Omaha, NE License #53699 Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 5/05/2022		
Todd Stephen Jarosz, M.D., Hazard, KY License #51109		
Second Amended Agreed Order entered into 5/24/2022		
David Ari Lapides, M.D., Fort Meyers, FL License #C0234		
Agreed Order of Surrender issued 5/05/2022		

Reminder on Requirement to Report Board Actions and Criminal Actions within 10 Days

The Board would also like to offer a quick reminder to its licensees that according to 201 KAR 9:081, every person licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy within the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall report to the Board any criminal conviction or plea of guilt, nolo contendere, or Alford plea to any criminal charges, regardless of adjudication, within ten (10) days of the entry of judgment of conviction or the entry of the plea, entered in any state. As part of this reporting, the licensee shall provide a copy of the judgment of conviction or plea documents. In addition, the regulation requires that every person licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy within the Commonwealth of Kentucky shall report to the Board within ten (10) days of receipt, notice of any disciplinary action taken or sanction imposed upon the person's license in any state, including surrendering a license or placing a license into inactive or retired status to resolve a pending licensing investigation. As part of this reporting requirement, the licensee shall provide a copy of the order issued by or entered with the other licensing board.

Please note that failure to report a criminal conviction or plea, or action taken by another licensing board, as required of an applicant by paragraphs (a) through (c) of this subsection, shall constitute a violation of KRS 311.595(9) and (12). A copy of 201 KAR 9:081 can be reviewed at the Board's website.

Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation Serving Kentucky Physicians Since 1976

The Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation is a 501(c)(3), whose mission is the identification, evaluation, treatment, reentry, and advocacy for professionals licensed by the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure. The Foundation provides support for physicians, physician's assistants, surgical technicians,, genetic counselors, and athletic trainers.

For physicians not familiar with the work of the Foundation, it initially began in 1976 and has helped over 1800 professionals licensed by the Board impacted by addictive disease and mental or emotional illness. The Foundation can provide the initial evaluation, assessment, testing, coordination, and post treatment monitoring for licensed medical professionals who are struggling with substance use disorder, mental and emotional health issues, and distress/burnout.

The Foundation understands the ease of access to addictive substances and the unique stresses inherent to our profession, can make medical professionals particularly vulnerable to substance use disorder and mental health issues. Worry about stigma can make one think twice before seeking help. The Foundation recognizes the unique challenges of treating these issues in the profession.

The Board strongly supports the work of the Foundation and does provide funding directly to it through a contract to support its efforts of assisting licensed medical professionals. The Board strongly encourages any physician suffering from any form of potential impairment to reach out to the Foundation for assistance. The Foundations' medical director is Dr. Tina Simpson, and you can reach her at their office by calling (502) 425-7761 or you can visit their website, www.kyrecovery.org for more information.

Common Reasons Why Do Patients File Grievances with the Board

Have you ever wondered the reasons why a patient decided to file a grievance with the Board? Board members often get this question from their colleagues and as you can imagine, the reasons vary from case to case, but they often contain a common theme of poor communication between the patient and the physician.

Patients often complain when their physician seems to spend too little time listening to them or examining them or seems to jump to a decision about their condition(s) without fully considering what the patient has to say, or when one treating physician fails to communicate with another treating physician. Other common factors leading to formal grievances center on the fact the patient considered a physician's office staff to be rude or impolite, cancelled appointments with a short notice or on repeated occasions, and when they cannot obtain their medical records in a timely manner. Another common patient complaint involves the untimely completion of death certificates, which can cause undue hardship on a grieving family.

The Board understands the world of medicine is extremely fast-paced and increasingly pressured by deadlines, insurance regulations, paperwork, etc. With this in mind, it is important to remember having a grievance filed against you can be a disconcerting, inconvenient, and time-consuming event. The good news is the Board has found these situations can often be avoided by stressing the importance of communication between you, your office staff, and the patient.

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Change of Address Notice		
All information provided below is used to update the licensee's profile on the Board's website www.kbml.ky.gov.		
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Name:		
Mailing Address	X	-
Practice Address	s:	
Practice County	:	
Office Phone Nu	umber:	
	*The Board does not publish your email address.	