



# Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Newsletter

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## Board Recognizes the Life of Burns M. Brady, M.D.

The Board would like to extend its condolences to the family of Burns M. Brady, M.D., who passed away on March 13, 2024. As many physicians throughout the Commonwealth are aware, Dr. Brady was the former medical director of the Kentucky Physicians Health Foundation, which he helped develop in the early 90s. Through his service and leadership, the Foundation has assisted hundreds of Kentucky physicians obtain treatment for their disease of chemical dependency.

In addition to his service with the Foundation, Dr. Brady was extremely passionate about his work as a co-founder and medical director of the Healing Place in Louisville. His passion for helping others in need also sent him to Kentucky's prison system, where he worked with male inmates on their recovery and healing. Prior to Dr. Brady's work in addiction medicine, he served the citizens of South Louisville practicing family medicine for 25 years.

Dr. Brady spoke often of his own life in recovery and traveled often to share his message in not only the Commonwealth, but throughout the United States. Dr. Brady was an active member of the AMA, AAFP and ASAM and was awarded the Ephraim McDowell Physician of the Year award in 2006.

## KASPER Report Cards Are Now Available and KASPER Account Reminder

KASPER Prescriber Report Cards have returned and are currently available! It is easier than ever to read, identify high-risk patients and view prescribing comparisons within your specialty. To view annual or quarterly report cards, log into your KASPER account through the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' secure Kentucky Online Gateway (KOG) portal. Access to the Prescriber Report Cards are available to Master Account Holders and Delegates under the Review Reports menu. In addition, an icon is on the Home Page under Additional Resources. For more information, here is a link to all KASPER training [materials](#). A link to the Prescriber Report Card user guide is available [here](#).

The Board strongly recommends all licensees who are authorized to prescribe controlled substances in Kentucky to take a few moments and review your Prescriber Report Card at least on annual basis. In addition, the Board is aware there may still be some of its licensees, who are authorized to prescribe controlled substances in Kentucky, who either have not registered for KASPER or have not onboarded to KOG (Kentucky Online Gateway). Please remember, state law requires that any authorized prescriber of controlled substances (have an active DEA) must have an active KASPER account. If you are one of these physicians, please go to the account [registration page](#). This web site will direct you to the KOG home page where you can create a citizen or business partner account. Once you have completed the KOG registration process, KOG will direct you to the KASPER – KOG Onboarding web page, where you should select Request a KASPER Account at the bottom of the screen. If you previously had a KASPER account you should not create a new account! Instead, you should enter your old KASPER user name and password to onboard your existing KASPER account to KOG. If you don't remember your old KASPER user name or password, you can call the Help Desk at 502-564-2703 for assistance.

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

**Board Action Report (actions taken since 01/01/2024)**

**Brigg W. Barsness, M.D., Sussex, WI License #58873**  
Agreed Order entered into 1/17/2024

**James Bailes, Jr., M.D., Huntington, WV License #59195**  
Agreed Order entered into 3/26/2024

**Eric C. Brown, M.D., Providence, KY License #23138**  
Default and Final Order issued 2/21/2024

**Richard H. Cales, M.D., Louisville, KY License #36961**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 2/19/2024

**Lonnie R. Douglas, M.D., Louisville, KY License #48849**  
Final Order issued 2/19/2024, effective 3/21/2024

**George Leroy Gallenstein, III, M.D., Maysville, KY License #30607**  
Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 3/21/2024

**Barry G. Hardison, M.D., Central City, KY License #23875**  
Final Order Overturning Emergency Order of  
Restriction issued 3/20/2024

**Michael R. Heilig, M.D., Richmond, KY License #37035**  
Amended Agreed Order entered into 3/25/2024

**David W. Johnson, M.D., Evansville, IN License #29121**  
Agreed Order entered into 3/07/2024

**Derrick Jones, M.D., Maitland, FL License #58881**  
Agreed Order of Fine entered into 3/01/2024

**A. Barry Klein, M.D., Louisville, KY License #24316**  
Order Terminating Fourth Amended Agreed Order  
issued 2/19/2024

**Robert J. Klickovich, M.D., Florence, KY License #41232**  
Agreed Order entered into 2/13/2024

**Robert J. Klickovich, M.D., Florence, KY License #41232**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 2/14/2024

**Keri Jane McFarlane, M.D., Knoxville, TN License #51945**  
Order Of Revocation issued 1/22/2024, effective  
1/23/2024

**Quang L. Nguyen, M.D., Bowling Green, KY License #53725**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 3/06/2024

**Joseph M. Palumbo, D.O., Highland Heights, OH License #04092**  
Agreed Order entered into 3/11/2024

**Joseph M. Palumbo, D.O., Highland Heights, OH License #04092**

Order Termination Agreed Order issued 3/14/2024

**Troy L. Potthoff, M.D., Honolulu, HI License #53056**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 2/26/2024

**Laura E. Purdy, M.D., Miami, FL License #50375**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 1/04/2024

**Robert F. Ross, M.D., Fort Thomas, KY License #25361**  
Default and Final Order issued 3/25/2024

**Morgan D. Schulz, M.D., Prestonburg, KY License #47557**  
Agreed Order entered into 3/11/2024

**William J. Short, M.D., Ashland, KY License #29564**  
Amended Agreed Order entered into 3/22/2024

**Joel D. Talley, M.D., Nicholasville, KY License #21377**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 2/22/2024

**David A. Thomas, M.D., Louisville, KY License #27346**  
Third Amended Agreed Order entered into 1/26/2024

**Brett T. Wahlgren, M.D., Birmingham, AL License #53134**  
Agreed Order of Surrender issued 2/15/2024

**Eric C. Welling, M.D., Salt Lake City, UT License #C0682**  
Agreed Order entered into 2/15/2024

**Michael N. Wood, M.D., Gadsden, AL License #51190**  
Agreed Order entered into 3/01/2024

**Michael N. Wood, M.D., Gadsden, AL License #51190**  
Order Terminating Agreed Order issued 3/04/2024

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

**Peter B. Hardin, M.D., Campbellsville, KY License #42374**  
Emergency Order of Suspension issued  
2/22/2024, effective date 2/23/2024

**2024 Renewal of Physician Licenses**

The Board is pleased to report that our agency recently completed the annual renewal cycle for medical and osteopathic physicians practicing in the Commonwealth for 2024. As in past years, the process went smoothly with 21,868 physicians renewing their medical/ osteopathic licenses for 2024. Of that number, 12,576 physicians have an active Kentucky practice address.

In the event that a physician has allowed his/her license to lapse, he/she can simply contact the Board office for instructions on how to reactivate it. Just a reminder, it is very important to update the Board anytime that you change your mailing or practice address. You can do so, by going to the following page on our [website](#).

## **Administrative Regulation (201 KAR 9:067) on Professional Standards and Procedures for Medicinal Cannabis Practitioners in Effect**

Pursuant to KRS 218B.050(10), the Board recently completed process of promulgating the administrative regulation, 201 KAR 9:067) that establishes procedures for applying for authorization to provide written certifications; the process and procedures for renewing authorization to provide written certifications; continuing education requirements for medicinal cannabis practitioners; reasons for which authorization to provide written certifications for the use of medicinal cannabis may be suspended or revoked; and the minimal standards of care, including record maintenance and follow up requirements. A link to the 201 KAR 9:067 can be found here: [Title 201 Chapter 9 Regulation 067 Kentucky Administrative Regulations Legislative Research Commission.](#)

Please be advised the Board intends to begin accepting applications on July 1, 2024 and information on the applications will be forthcoming. Information regarding Board approved CME will also be available at that time.

Here are some of the highlights of 201 KAR 9:067; however, **all licensees wishing to become authorized to issue certifications should review and become familiar with the standards set out in the administrative regulation:**

### **Eligibility for Authorization to Provide Written Certifications**

A licensee shall be eligible to provide written certifications for the use of medicinal cannabis, pursuant to KRS 218B.050 with the Commonwealth of Kentucky, if the licensee:

- (1) Holds a license issued by the board to practice medicine or osteopathy in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in good standing;
- (2) Holds a valid DEA permit;
- (3) Is registered to use any and all PDMP currently in use in the Commonwealth of Kentucky pursuant to KRS 218A.202;
- (4) Holds no ownership or investment in or compensation agreement with a cannabis business licensed under KRS Chapter 218B;
- (5) Has completed the required number of hours of education in a course or courses approved by the board specific to the following:
  - (a) Diagnosing qualifying medical conditions;
  - (b) Treating qualifying medical conditions with medicinal cannabis; and
  - (c) The characteristics of medicinal cannabis and possible drug interactions; and
- (6) Has submitted an initial or renewal application for authorization to provide written certifications for the use of medicinal cannabis and received confirmation of its process pursuant to Sections 4 and 5 of (201 KAR 9:067).

### **Procedures for Submitting an Initial Application for Authorization to Provide Written Certifications**

- (1) To become a medicinal cannabis practitioner an initial applicant shall:
  - (a) Submit to the Board a completed Initial Application for Authorization to Provide Written Certifications for the Use of Medicinal Cannabis;
  - (b) Submit proof of completion of six (6) hours of education established in Section 6 of 201 KAR 9:067; and
  - (c) Submit payment of a nonrefundable fee of \$100
- (2) Upon receipt of an initial application, the board shall review all application materials submitted and determine whether the licensee meets qualifications to become a medicinal cannabis practitioner.
  - (a) The board may contact individuals, agencies, or organizations for information about the licensee.
  - (b) If deemed appropriate by the board or its staff, the board may require a licensee to appear before the board to answer questions or provide additional information deemed appropriate for the board to make an informed decision about the licensee's qualifications.
  - (c) If the board or its staff determines that the licensee is not qualified to become a medicinal cannabis practitioner or if the board or its staff is unable to independently verify whether the licensee meets the qualification to become a medicinal cannabis practitioner, the board shall notify the licensee of the grounds upon which the initial application cannot be approved.
- (3) A licensee shall become an authorized medicinal cannabis practitioner effective upon written or electronic notification from the board the initial application has been processed and approved.
- (4) Unless initially issued or annually renewed between January 1 and March 1 in accordance with Section 5 of 201 KAR 9:067, the authorization to provide written certifications for the use of medicinal cannabis shall expire on March 1.
- (5) If a medicinal cannabis practitioner fails to renew before March 1 of any subsequent year, the practitioner may apply as an initial applicant in accordance with the procedures established in this section.

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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](http://www.kbml.ky.gov).

You may also change your address online by clicking [here](#).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Practice Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Practice County: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*The Board does not publish your email address.