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Opioid CE Letter & Package

In 2016, the General Assembly passed law that authorizes the Board of Medicine to require 2 hours of continuing education on controlled substances each biennium. The Board is to notify licensees prior to January 1st of each odd-numbered year that they are required to obtain the 2 hours in the next biennium.

For the first biennium, 2017-2018, all Board of Medicine licensees with prescriptive authority were required to obtain any 2 hours of continuing education related to pain management, the responsible prescribing of controlled substances, and the diagnosis and management of addiction.

Some physicians asked the Board to develop a 2-hour course for their convenience. What the Board did in early 2017, in concert with the Medical Society of Virginia, was to post on the Board's website a list of free, online courses developed by professional societies, universities, and government agencies.

Since the opioid regulations became effective in March 2017, the Board has recognized 2 significant issues. The first is that not all practitioners with prescriptive authority have read the regulations and understand them. The second is that some practitioners, having made the decision to reduce a patient's opioid, do not always taper in an effective way. So in response to these 2 issues, the Board endorses a 2-hour "package" of continuing education for its prescribing licensees. These 2 hours qualify as Type 1 continuing education for the purpose of renewal.

The 2 hours can be met by:

- Reading the Board of Medicine Regulations Governing Prescribing Opioids and Buprenorphine https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/medicine/leg/Medicine_Opioid_Regs_08_082018.doc
- Reading the Board's Frequently Asked Questions on Opioids and Buprenorphine <https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/medicine/docs/FAQPrescribingBuprenorphine.pdf>
- Viewing the Prescription Monitoring Program 7-minute video on NarxCare <https://app.brainshark.com/appriss/NarxCareNavigation?nodesktopflash=1>
- Taking the Stanford University course on "How to Taper Patients Off of Chronic Opioid Therapy" (1.25 hours CAT I) <https://med.stanford.edu/cme/courses/online/opioid-taper.html>

This "package" will be on the Board of Medicine website at <https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/medicine/> under Controlled Substances CE Requirements. Or if you so choose, you may obtain any other 2 hours as long as they relate to pain management, the responsible prescribing of controlled substances, and the diagnosis and management of addiction.

I hope this is helpful to you for 2019-2020.

With kindest regards,

William L. Harp, MD
Executive Director
Virginia Board of Medicine

Licensure by Endorsement

Since the Board of Medicine has not yet joined the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, it has developed a pathway to licensure through endorsement. It is designed for those applicants that do not have adverse information in their background. All physicians that wish to seek a license through endorsement are ADVISED TO READ THE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST to be clear that you qualify to apply through this pathway.

https://www.license.dhp.virginia.gov/apply/Forms/Medicine/MD_DO_End_instruct.pdf

Nurse Practitioner Autonomous Practice

The Boards of Nursing and Medicine have developed regulations pursuant to the 2018 legislation that create a pathway to autonomous practice for nurse practitioners. The links to the law, the regulations (effective January 7, 2019) and the application are included here.

<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/title54.1/chapter29/section54.1-2957/>

<http://register.dls.virginia.gov/details.aspx?id=7299>

https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Forms/nursing/NURSE%20PRAC/NP_AutonomousPractice.pdf

DMAS Evidence-Based Practices for MAT

TO: All Addiction and Recovery Treatment Services (ARTS) Providers, Prescribers, Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) and Magellan of Virginia Participating in the Virginia Medical Assistance Program

FROM: Jennifer S. Lee, M.D., Director
Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)

DATE: 2/11/19

SUBJECT: Evidence-Based Practices and Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder

The purpose of this bulletin is to highlight evidence-based practices for the treatment of Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and coverage of these services by the Medicaid Addiction and Recovery Treatment Services (ARTS) program and to invite providers to a webinar on February 14, 2019. ARTS aligns coverage with the current evidence to provide the best outcomes for Medicaid members with an OUD, emphasizes the importance of providing care that is responsive to individual patient preferences, needs and values, and supports Medicaid providers to effectively

address the needs of members with OUD. DMAS' goals are to minimize treatment barriers for members who have an OUD while ensuring these members obtain access to high quality Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) and other proven therapies.

ARTS Alignment with Evidence-Based Practices

Below is a summary of the current evidenceⁱ and coverage through the ARTS benefit. Nothing in this summary is intended to eliminate the need to follow the Virginia Board of Medicine (BOM) regulations concerning the prescribing of buprenorphine for addiction treatment.

- DMAS supports **same day access and initiation of pharmacotherapy** for individuals with OUD presenting to any American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) level of care.
- **Maintenance pharmacotherapy should be prescribed based on the individual's treatment needs**, without arbitrary tapering or time limits.
- **No prior authorization is required for the preferred buprenorphine/naloxone product, Suboxone films**, prescribed by in-network buprenorphine waived practitioners who are credentialed and contracted with the Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) for managed care enrolled members or DMAS enrolled buprenorphine-waivered practitioners for fee-for-service members. Evidence exists that **some individuals may benefit from buprenorphine doses greater than 16 milligrams per day** through higher rates of treatment retention and abstinence from illicit substancesⁱⁱ. Therefore, DMAS does not require prior authorization for doses up to 24 milligrams per day of Suboxone films for in-network practitioners.
- Providers shall continue to follow the BOM guidelines regarding dosing during the induction phase as well as maximum prescribing dosages. Please note that the BOM requires documentation in the member's record to support prescribed doses of greater than 16 milligrams per dayⁱⁱⁱ.
- Non-preferred buprenorphine products such as the buprenorphine monoprodut and buprenorphine/naloxone tablets continue to require a prior authorization by DMAS/Magellan Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) and the Medicaid MCOs.
- Diversion and misuse of buprenorphine/naloxone may still occur but is relatively rare in comparison to diversion and misuse of prescription opioid pain medications. The most commonly cited reason is to manage the negative side effects of opioid withdrawal.
- Members who receive a **prescription for buprenorphine products are no longer automatically "locked-in" to a prescriber or group of prescribers**. However, if there are identified patient safety concerns, a "lock-in" may still be instituted. Prescribers are still required to be credentialed and contracted with the Medicaid MCO for their members and enrolled with DMAS for fee-for-service members, for the prescriptions for opioid treatment to be covered by Medicaid. Prescription coverage will continue to be denied when prescribed by out-of-network practitioners.
- DMAS requires the **co-prescribing of the overdose reversal agent naloxone with buprenorphine containing products** since individuals with OUD are at elevated risk for overdose. When possible, family members and significant others should also be trained in the use of naloxone. DMAS/Magellan PBM and the Medicaid MCOs **cover naloxone at no cost to the member**.

- DMAS supports the **integration of medical services with addiction services including clinically indicated infectious disease testing** such as HIV, Hepatitis A/B/C, syphilis, and tuberculosis testing for members with OUD at initiation of and as indicated during treatment. DMAS also covers Hepatitis C treatment and HIV treatment and prevention including pre-exposure prophylaxis. **Hepatitis C treatment is covered** for all Medicaid members with any fibrosis score. Primary care providers can prescribe preferred drugs such as Mavyret (glecaprevir/pibrentasvir) without a referral to a specialist. Members should not be denied treatment for Hepatitis C for the sole reason of Substance Use Disorder. Please see the DMAS Preferred Drug List for more information: <https://www.virginiamedicaidpharmacyservices.com/provider/preferred-drug-list>
- DMAS supports **integration of reproductive health services including contraception with addiction treatment**. DMAS and the Medicaid MCOs cover all family planning medications and devices including long acting reversible contraception (LARC) without a prior authorization.
- DMAS follows the BOM regulations, which **requires members to be assessed and referred for substance use disorder counseling and/or psychotherapy**. However, current evidence on the value of requiring counseling and/or psychotherapy with opioid use disorder is mixed, and some members may benefit more than others^{iv}. During the course of their treatment, some members may be unable or unwilling to engage in counseling and/or psychotherapy. For these individuals, it is essential that they remain on pharmacotherapy, since pharmacotherapy alone can reduce the risk of mortality from OUD by as much as 60 percent. Therefore, **DMAS does not require members to accept ongoing counseling and/or psychotherapy as a condition of receiving pharmacotherapy**. If counseling and/or psychotherapy is discontinued, the reasons should be documented in the member's medical record.
- DMAS **allows and encourages same-day billing of medical and behavioral health services** (i.e., if an obstetrician is providing prenatal care and addiction care in the same visit, these are both covered) to support integrated medical services and addiction services. **Providers should contact the Medicaid MCOs to determine the appropriate modifier to place on claims (such as "GB" or "25")** which defines the services as separate and distinct from each other to support billing. The MCO provider contact numbers are located on the back of the member's MCO ID card. For members enrolled in fee-for-service, Magellan of Virginia will continue to cover MAT. The medical visit not related to the OUD would be billed to DMAS directly. Please visit the ARTS Reimbursement Chart for specific details of what Magellan of Virginia covers for fee-for-service members: <http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/arts>.
- DMAS **supports home induction on buprenorphine products** in accordance with the ASAM National Practice Guideline.
- Relapse to opioid use is a common occurrence among individuals with OUD. DMAS **encourages providers to use urine drug testing as a therapeutic tool and not to discharge patients based on relapse and/or positive drug test results**. Upon discovering relapse, providers should re-assess a patient's condition, their adherence, their dose of pharmacotherapy and behavioral treatment, and consider intensification of care.
- DMAS requires Medicaid providers for ARTS Intensive Outpatient Programs (IOPs), Partial Hospitalization Programs (PHPs) and Residential Treatment Services (RTS) to ensure that Medicaid and FAMIS enrolled members with OUD **admitted to any of these**

programs be evaluated for and have access to evidence-based MAT, including buprenorphine.

- The introduction of **pharmacotherapy for OUD prior to and immediately after release from institutional settings**, such as hospitals, inpatient rehabilitation facilities, and jails, can reduce the elevated risk of fatal overdose related to loss of tolerance^v.
- DMAS is updating the *Preferred Office-Based Opioid Treatment (OBOT) Credentialing checklist* to align with these evidence-based practices, as well as the *Preferred OBOT Model of Care and Attestation* form. This form will be required for new Preferred-OBOT applicants effective March 1, 2019. Instructions for applying for Preferred OBOT status may be found online at: <http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/artscredentialing> under “Office Based Opioid Treatment.”

February 14, 2019 Webinar: Evidence-Based Practices for Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder and ARTS Coverage

DMAS is facilitating a webinar on February 14, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., for all ARTS Preferred OBOT Providers and other MAT providers to review these evidence-based practices and ARTS coverage. The expert presenter is Dr. Mishka Terplan, MD, MPH, FACOG, DFASAM, Professor in Obstetrics and Gynecology and Psychiatry, Associate Director in Addiction Medicine at Virginia Commonwealth University, and Addiction Medicine Consultant with DMAS.

[Click Here to Register](#)

After your request has been approved, you will receive instructions for joining the meeting. If you already registered for this meeting, you do not need to register again.

For additional questions about this bulletin or the ARTS benefit, please email: SUD@dmas.virginia.gov or call (804) 593-2453.

Medicaid Expansion

New adult coverage begins January 1, 2019. Providers will use the same web portal and enrollment verification processes in place today to verify Medicaid expansion coverage. In ARS, individuals eligible in the Medicaid expansion covered group will be shown as “MEDICAID EXP.” If the individual is enrolled in managed care, the “MEDICAID EXP” segment will be shown as well as the managed care segment, “MED4” (Medallion 4.0), or “CCCP” (CCC Plus). Additional Medicaid expansion resources for providers can be found on the DMAS Medicaid Expansion webpage at: <http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/medex>.

<u>PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION & RESOURCES</u>	
Virginia Medicaid Web Portal Automated Response System (ARS) Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.	www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov
Medicall (Audio Response System) Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.	1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996
KEPRO Service authorization information for fee-for-service members.	https://dmas.kepro.com/

Managed Care Programs	
Medallion 4.0, Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus (CCC Plus), and Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). In order to be reimbursed for services provided to a managed care enrolled individual, providers must follow their respective contract with the managed care plan/PACE provider. The managed care plan may utilize different guidelines than those described for Medicaid fee-for-service individuals.	
Medallion 4.0	http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/med4
CCC Plus	http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/cccplus
PACE	http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/longtermprograms
Magellan Behavioral Health	www.MagellanHealth.com/Provider

Behavioral Health Services Administrator, check eligibility, claim status, service limits, and service authorizations for fee-for-service members.	For credentialing and behavioral health service information, visit: www.magellanofvirginia.com , email: VAProviderQuestions@MagellanHealth.com , or call: 1-800-424-4046
Provider HELPLINE Monday–Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For provider use only, have Medicaid Provider ID Number available.	1-804-786-6273 1-800-552-8627

ⁱ Hser, Y I, et al. “Treatment Retention among Patients Randomized to Buprenorphine/Naloxone Compared to Methadone in a Multi-Site Trial.” *Current Neurology and Neuroscience Reports.*, U.S. National Library of Medicine, Jan. 2014, www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/23961726.

Martin, Stephen A., et al. “The Next Stage of Buprenorphine Care for Opioid Use Disorder.” *Annals of Internal Medicine*, American College of Physicians, 6 Nov. 2018, annals.org/aim/fullarticle/2708164/next-stage-buprenorphine-care-opioid-use-disorder.

“TIP 63: Medications for Opioid Use Disorder – Full Document (Including Executive Summary and Parts 1-5).” Substance Abuse and Mental Health Publications, store.samhsa.gov/product/TIP-63-Medications-for-Opioid-Use-Disorder-Full-Document-Including-Executive-Summary-and-Parts-1-5-/SMA18-5063FULLDOC.

ⁱⁱ Ayman Fareed MD, Sreedevi Vayalapalli MD, Jennifer Casarella MD & Karen Drexler MD (2012) Effect of Buprenorphine Dose on Treatment Outcome, *Journal of Addictive Diseases*, 31:1, 8-18, DOI: 10.1080/10550887.2011.642758

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title18/agency85/chapter21/section150/>

^{iv} American Society of Addiction Medicine. (n.d.). Retrieved from <https://www.asam.org/resources/guidelines-and-consensus-documents/npg>

Carroll, K. M., & Weiss, R. D. (2017). The Role of Behavioral Interventions in Buprenorphine Maintenance Treatment: A Review. *American Journal of Psychiatry*, 174(8), 738-747. doi:10.1176/appi.ajp.2016.16070792

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^v Larochelle MR *et al.* Medication for Opioid Use Disorder After Nonfatal Opioid Overdose and Association With Mortality: A Cohort Study. *Ann Intern Med*. 2018.

Green TC et al. Postincarceration Fatal Overdoses After Implementing Medications for Addiction Treatment in a Statewide Correctional System. *JAMA Psychiatry*. 2018 Apr 1;75(4):405-407

Quick Notes

Radiation Therapists and Nuclear Medicine Techs

The Board of Medicine licenses individuals that administer ionizing radiation. This includes radiation therapists and nuclear medicine technologists along with radiographers involved in specialized studies including bone densitometry, mammography, CT, interventional cardiac, interventional cardiovascular, and interventional vascular studies. Performance of MRI and ultrasound do not require licensure as a radiologic technologist. As many of you are aware, if you are an employee of a hospital, you are exempt from licensure as a rad tech. If you practice in a clinic, office, urgent care or other facility, even those within a healthcare system, you need a license if the location does not have licensure as a hospital with the Virginia Department of Health. At some point in the future, the Board will begin to acknowledge unlicensed practice with Consent Orders for all applicants that have been practicing in the specialties listed above, except for those that have exclusively practiced as an employee of a hospital.

Clarification of “store and forward” in Guidance Document 85-12 on Telemedicine

Although the term “store-and-forward technologies” is not defined by statute, it is defined by regulation of the Virginia Department of Health for the purpose of Medicare and Medicaid covered services, as: “store and forward” means when prerecorded images, such as x-rays, video clips, and photographs are captured and then forwarded to and retrieved, viewed and assessed by a provider at a later time. Some common applications include (i) teledermatology, where digital pictures of a skin problem are transmitted and assessed by a dermatologist (ii) teleradiology, where x-ray images are sent to and read by a radiologist; and (iii) teleretinal imaging, where images are sent to and evaluated by an ophthalmologist to assess for diabetic retinopathy.” 12VAC 30-121-70(7)(a).

Pharmacotherapy for Weight Loss by Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners

If specifically authorized in the practice agreement with a supervising or collaborating patient care team physician, a physician assistant or nurse practitioner may perform the physical examination, review tests, and prescribe Schedules III through VI controlled substances for the treatment of obesity. See <https://law.lis.virginia.gov/admincode/title18/agency85/chapter20/section90/> for details.

Passage of USMLE and COMLEX

A number of years ago, the Board passed regulation to ensure the competency of physicians that took more than 10 years to pass USMLE or COMLEX by requiring specialty board certification with ABMS or BOS-AOA. If you anticipate hiring a physician that took more than 10 years to pass the exams, you should check for board certification to avoid disappointment for the prospective physician and you.

Type 2 CE/CAT II CE Hours

Teaching students, residents, fellows in your field qualifies for Type 2/CAT II continuing education that counts towards the Board's renewal requirements.

United Virginia Chiropractic Association (UVCA) Continuing Education

The Board has approved continuing education courses developed and presented by the UVCA as Type 1 for the purpose of license renewal.

Surgical Assistants-New Regulation

A surgical assistant who was registered based on a credential as a surgical assistant or surgical first assistant issued by the National Board of Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting, the National Surgical Assistant Association, or the National Commission for the Certification of Surgical Assistants or their successors shall attest that the credential is current at the time of renewal.

Electronic Renewal Notices

In the near future, perhaps for the 2020 renewal cycle, notices will be sent electronically. It is important that your e-mail address is on file with the Board of Medicine.

Paperless Licenses

The Department of Health Professions has been working on going paperless with its licenses. In a future renewal, you will receive a hard copy with the information that it will be the last paper copy you receive. The Department of Health Professions License Lookup will be available to third parties that need to verify your current licensure status in a primary source-verified manner. More information will be provided in future newsletters.

VA PMP AWARE

Virginia's PMP is very pleased to announce that for the first time in any state, information related to the prescribing and dispensing of covered substances at the Department of Defense Military Treatment Facilities in Virginia, nationwide and overseas is now available through the Virginia PMP. The data available is retroactive to December 20, 2019 and is accessed in the same way as you would request prescription information from another state's PMP currently. If you wish to set a default so this information is queried for every request, simply log on to PMP AWARe and modify your preferred jurisdictions to include Military Health Systems. If you do not wish to have this as a default, you may simply check the appropriate box while submitting a patient request when desired. This is just one more important enhancement in assisting you in providing the best care for all Virginians.

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- [Advisory on Radiologic Technology – Minutes 1-23-19](#)

Upcoming Meetings

- February 14th – 16th – Full Board
- February 18th – Office closed for President's Day
- April 5th – Executive Committee
- May 17th – Legislative Committee
- May 20th-May 24th – Advisory Board Meeting
- May 27th – Office Closed for Memorial Day

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Board Members 2018-2019

Syed Salman Ali, MD 2nd Term Expires June 2020 District: 11 – Vienna	Jacob W. Miller, DO Unexpired Term – Expires June 2020 Osteopath – Virginia Beach
David Archer, MD 1st Term Expires June 2020 District: 2 - Norfolk	Kevin O'Connor, MD, President 2nd Term Expires June 2020 District: 10 –Paeonian Springs
James Arnold, DPM 1st Term Expires June 2022 Podiatrist – Cross Junction	Karen Ransone, MD Unexpired Term - Expires June 2020 District 1 – Cobbs Creek
Lori D. Conklin, MD, Secretary-Treasurer 2nd Term Expires June 2021 District: 5 – Charlottesville	Brenda Stokes, MD 1st Term Expires June 2022 District: 6 - Lynchburg
Manjit Dhillon, MD Unexpired Term Expires June 2020 District: 4 - Chester	David Taminger, MD 1st Term Expires June 2019 District: 4 - Midlothian
Alvin Edwards, PhD 1st Term Expires June 2019 Citizen Member - Charlottesville	Svinder Toor, MD 1st Term Expires June 2019 District: 3 – Norfolk
David C. Giammittorio, MD 2nd Term Expires June 2020 District: 8 - Lorton	Nathaniel Ray Tuck, Jr., DC, Vice-President 2nd Term Expires June 2021 Chiropractor - Blacksburg
Jane Hickey, JD 1st Term Expires 2019 Citizen Member – Richmond	Kenneth J. Walker, MD 2nd Term Expires June 2020 District 9 - Pearisburg
L. Blanton Marchese Unexpired Term Expires 2021 Citizen Member – N. Chesterfield	Martha S. Wingfield 1st Term Expires June 2021 Citizen Member - Ashland

Applying for a Position - *The majority of board/commission seats come due on June 30 each year. While applications are taken year round, we strongly recommend having your application submitted online by March 15 to be fully considered for the upcoming round of appointments.*

<https://www.commonwealth.virginia.gov/va-government/boards-and-commissions/>

Advisory Board Members

Acupuncture	Athletic Trainers	Behavior Analysis	Genetic Counseling
Keith Bell, L.Ac.	Deborah Corbatto, AT	Gary Fletcher – Citizen	Heather Creswick, CGC
Janet Borges, L.Ac.	Michael Puglia, AT	Christina Giuliano, BCBA	Marilyn Foust, MD
Sharon Crowell, L.Ac.	Jeffrey Roberts, MD	Amanda Kusterer, ABA	John Quillin, CGC
Beth Rodgers - Citizen	Trilizsa Trent - Citizen	Kate Lewis, BA	Lori Swain – Citizen
Chheany Ung, MD	Sara Whiteside, AT	Asha Patton Smith, MD	Matthew Thomas, CGC

Midwifery	Occupational Therapy	Physician Assistants	Polysomnographic Technology
Maya Gunderson, CPM	Raziuddin Ali, MD	Kathleen Scarbalis, PA-C	Debbie Akers, RPSGT
Natasha Jones - Citizen	Breshae Bedward, OT	James Carr, PA	Johnathan Clark, RPSGT
Ami Keatts, MD	Karen Lebo - Citizen	Portia Tomlinson, PA-C	Marie Quinn - Citizen Anna
Kim Pekin, CPM	Dwayne Pitre, OT	Frazier Frantz, MD	Rodriguez, RPSGT
Mayanne Zielinski, CPM	Kathryn Skibek, OT	Tracey Dunn -Citizen	VACANT MD SEAT

Radiological Technologist	Respiratory Therapists	Interested in serving on an advisory board?
Rebecca Keith, RT	Santiera Brown, RRT	<p>Applying for a Position - <i>The majority of board/commission seats come due on June 30 each year. While applications are taken year round, we strongly recommend having your application submitted online by March 15 to be fully considered for the upcoming round of appointments.</i></p> <p>https://www.commonwealth.virginia.gov/va-government/boards-and-commissions/</p>
Joyce Hawkins, RT	Denver Supinger, Citizen	
David Roberts, RT	Daniel Gochenour, RRT	
Uma Prasad, MD	Shari Toomey, RRT	
William Quarles - Citizen	Bruce Rubin, MD	

BOARD DECISIONS

The following list contains decisions from August 2018 to December 2018. You may access these decisions at www.dhp.virginia.gov (select "License Lookup") or at www.vahealthprovider.com for most MDs, DOs and DPMs. You may also contact the Board Office at (804) 367-4505 to request a copy.

NAME AND LICENSE NO.	DATE OF ACTION	AUGUST 2018 THRU DECEMBER ACTIONS
Agarwala, Sanjay K., M.D. 0101-263212 Mission, TX	8/20/18	Order of mandatory suspension dated 5/9/18 vacated; license reinstated to full and unrestricted status.
Clark, Bendik L., M.D. 0101-235726 Marshall, NC	8/24/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the North Carolina Medical Board.
Klein, Jonathan, M.D. 0101-039553 Falls Church, VA	7/27/18	Reprimand; license subject to terms and conditions based on case of inappropriate prescribing.
Nichols-Byll, Stacy A, M.D. 0101-245035 Geneva, NE	8/21/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 7/25/18; license reflects current active status; shall continue to comply with HPMP contract.
Tano, Benoit D., M.D. 0101-245503 Edina, MN	8/20/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice.
Zhang, Jing, M.D. 0101-234755 Potomac, MD	8/28/18	Reprimand; license subject to terms and conditions based on action by the Maryland Board of Physicians.
Simmons, Teresa C., OTA 0131-000571 Richlands, VA	8/21/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 7/9/18; license reflects current active status; shall comply with HPMP contract.
Crummett, Pamela S., Rad. Tech. 0120-006148 Max Meadows, VA	8/20/18	Indefinite suspension based on inability to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to illness and/or substance abuse.
Kumarappan, Uma, M.D. 0101-242077 Fairfax, VA	9/20/18	Summary suspension as continued practice may be a substantial danger to the public health and safety.
Moustafa, Khaled A., M.D. 0101-243031 Richmond, VA	9/20/18	Summary suspension as continued practice may be a substantial danger to the public health and safety.
Finch, Shannon M., M.D. 0101-223610 Bristol, VA	10/4/18	Summary suspension as continued practice may be a substantial danger to the public health and safety.
Pleskonko, Terry M., D.C. 0104-000537 Staunton, VA	10/4/18	Summary suspension as continued practice may be a substantial danger to the public health and safety.
Alexander, Gordon M., M.D.	8/22/18	License reinstated.

0101-055246 Fort Lauderdale, FL		
Alexander, Michael A., D.O. 0102-202758 Kilmarnock, VA	9/28/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 04/30/18; license reflects current active status.
Barte, Ticoni A., D.O. 0102-050121 Herndon, VA	9/21/18	Voluntary permanent surrender of license based on multiple incidents of inappropriate patient contact.
Chang, Stephen W., M.D. 0101-242425 Tysons, VA	9/21/18	Reprimand based on prescribing controlled substances using the DEA number of another physician.
Lalwani, Reshma, P.A. 0110-003817 Wailuku, HI	9/5/18	Mandatory suspension based on revocation of license by the Maryland State Board of Physicians.
Nevarre, Daniel R., M.D. 0101-057275 Johnstown, PA	9/18/18	Mandatory suspension based on two felony convictions in the Court of Common Pleas – Criminal – of Cambria County, PA, to wit: False information/claims and insurance fraud.
Palmer, Mary E., M.D. 0101-057631 Alexandria, VA	9/20/18	Mandatory suspension based on revocation of license by the Maryland State Board of Physicians.
Pittaluga, Juan M., M.D. 0101-050179 Winchester, VA	9/20/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 6/5/2015; suspension STAYED and license reflects current active status, shall continue to comply with HPMP contract.
Risley, Geoffrey L., M.D. 0101-263849 Crestview, FL	09/20/18	Reprimand based on action by the Florida Department of Health and failure to report the FL pending action on his Virginia application.
Smith, Jerome G., M.D. 0101-035708 North Chesterfield, VA	8/7/18	Denied request for modification of the Board's Order entered 12/15/2014.
Wysor, Michael S., M.D. 0101-228339 Gray, TN	9/5/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct.
Kelley, Sara E., A.T. 0126-002439 Newport News, VA	9/5/18	Reprimand based on accessing multiple patient records without proper authorization.
Biedenbender, Rex D., M.D. 0101-058925 Virginia Beach, VA	10/2/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 02/16/16; license reflects current active status.
Chang, Daniel T., M.D. 0101-248678 Santa Monica, CA	10/2/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline.
Davis, Charles W., II, M.D. 0101-257506	10/17/18	Reprimand based on action by the Maryland Board of Physicians.

Dade City, FL		
Delenick, Peter J., M.D. 0101-038823 Arlington, VA	10/24/18	Reinstated on probation, subject to terms and conditions.
Gurland, Steven V., M.D. 0101-252731 Plantation, FL	10/26/18	License reinstated.
Kolnik, Sarah E., M.D. 0101-253168 Bothell, WA	10/2/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 07/30/14; license reflects current active status.
Krawcheck, Randall O., D.O. 0102-201567 Fairview, NC	10/26/18	License reinstated.
Kumarappan, Uma, M.D. 0101-242077 Fairfax, VA	10/19/18	Voluntary permanent surrender of license based on multiple patient cases of inappropriate prescribing; having inadequate patient records and making false or misleading statements to a Board investigator.
Lewis, Robert M., Jr., M.D. 0101-239302 Bracey, VA	10/29/18	Reprimand based on patient case of inappropriate standard of care and failure to keep accurate and complete medical records.
Liu, Qing, M.D. 0101-261965 Lynchburg, VA	10/15/18	License suspended for 30 days from 10/15/18 with automatic reinstatement based on providing false information for hospital privileges.
Maltagliati, Patricia M., P.A. 0110-003566 Temple Hills, MD	10/26/18	Reprimand based on action by the Maryland Board of Physicians.
Moore, Teresa A., M.D. 0101-052933 Charlotte Court House, VA	10/26/18	Reprimand based on allowing two nurses to authorize prescriptions for patients in her name and that of another provider.
Robinson, Anne N., M.D. 0101-245103 Chesapeake, VA	10/2/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 11/9/16; license is in current active status.
Vanderhoof, Ross A., M.D. 0101-259038 Vacaville, CA	10/18/18	Mandatory suspension based on a felony conviction: General Court Martial of the United States Air Force, to wit: distribution of a Schedule IV controlled substance.
Zollars, Laurel E., M.D. 0101-041744 Georgetown, TX	10/18/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Maryland Board of Physicians.
Goldstein, Ken Evan, D.P.M. 0103-000671 Warrenton, VA	10/15/18	Reprimand based on aiding and abetting the unlicensed practice of radiologic technology.
Lewis, Kimberly I., D. C. 0104-556997 Radford, VA	10/31/18	License reinstated.

Rhodes, Joshua D., D.C. 0104-557037 Roanoke, VA	10/31/18	Suspension; to be stayed upon entry into a contract with HPMP based on impairment and unprofessional conduct.
Connor, Ann R., M.D. 0101-254886 Greenville, PA	11/16/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Missouri State Board of Registration for the Healing Arts.
Finch, Shannon M., M.D. 0101-223610 Bristol, VA	11/30/18	License revoked based on sexual contact in two patient cases concurrent with and by virtue of the practitioner/patient relationship; aiding and abetting unlicensed prescribing and inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety.
Ford, Michael B., M.D. 0101-020991 Appalachia, VA	11/7/18	Voluntary permanent surrender of license due to aiding and abetting unlicensed practice.
Krause, Craig C., M.D. 0101-233772 Gainesville, VA	11/7/18	Mandatory suspension based on felony convictions in the Circuit Court of Prince William County, Virginia, to wit: Three counts of distributing Schedule I/II Controlled Substance.
Morrison, Jeffrey D., D.O. 0102-050208 Newport News, VA	11/19/18	Reprimand; \$1000 monetary penalty based on allowing staff to perform discretionary duties without his supervision.
Pine, Krista M., M.D. 0101-244458 Midlothian, VA	11/30/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 8/20/14; terms terminated; license in current active status.
Splan, Thomas P., M.D. 0101-031028 Yorktown, VA	11/28/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure.
Stairs, Paul W., M.D. 0101-041355 Richmond, VA	11/1/18 11/8/18	License subject to terms and conditions based on inability to practice with reasonable skill and safety due to illness and/or substance abuse. Compliance with the Board's Order entered 11/1/18; license reflects current active status, shall continue to comply with HPMP contract.
Strut, Mikhail, M.D. 0101-239227 Clarence Center, NY	11/7/18	License reinstated.
Walik, Dilip, M.D. 0101-245363 Brampton, Ontario	11/26/18	Restricted from seeing female patients in Virginia without a chaperone and must comply with the Quality Assurance Committee of The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, Canada order entered June 28, 2017.

White, Erica Renee, O.T. 0119-004723 Midlothian, VA	11/26/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 10/10/17; terms terminated and license restored to full and unrestricted status.
Ahmad, Ishtiaq, M.D. 0101-230245 Herndon, VA	12/12/18	Summary suspension as continued practice may be a substantial danger to the public health and safety.
Getyina, Chad G., P.A. 0110-002396 Daleville, VA	12/12/18	Summary suspension as continued practice may be a substantial danger to the public health and safety.
Johnson, Karen E., M.D. 0101-054749 Alexandria, VA	12/18/18	Reprimand based on multiple patient cases of inappropriate prescribing.
Krueger, Lance S., P.A. 0110-004066 Cedar Rapids, IA	12/4/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 1/7/14; terms terminated and licensed restored to full and unrestricted status.
McCarthy, David D., M.D. 0101-234385 Lexington, OH	12/17/18	Reprimand based on action by the Michigan Board of Medicine.
Nicholas, Amy L., M.D. 0101-253214 Manassas, VA	12/28/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Maryland State Board of Physicians.
Nwadike, Valinda R., M.D. 0101-244564 Leonardtown, MD	12/13/18	Reprimand based on action by the Michigan Board of Medicine.
Thompson, Donovan A., M.D. 0101-249907 Lincolnton, NC	12/28/18	Mandatory suspension based on action by the Maryland State Board of Physicians.
Rhodes, Joshua R., D.C. 0104-557037 Roanoke, VA	12/5/18	Compliance with the Board's Order entered 10/31/18; suspension stayed; must continue to comply with HPMP contract.
Windle, Joel E., R.T. 0117-008781 Bluefield, VA	12/4/18	Violation of misrepresentation on license application; license granted.

Limited ("Limited"), Respiratory Care Practitioners, Occupational Therapists, Athletic Trainers, or Behavioral Analyst were issued a license and a reprimand, or violation with no sanction, based upon practicing without a license for a period of time:

Hwig, Hassan, Polysomnographic Technologist 0135-000530	9/25/18
Woolard, Christina, Polysomnographic Technologist 0135-000533	10/12/18
May, Robert P., Jr., Polysomnographic Technologist 0135-000535	10/29/18
Tomes, Christian T., OTA 0131-000872	10/24/18
Woodall, Karen S., Polysomnographic Technologist	11/1/18

0135-000536	
Brown, Deena L., Rad. Tech. 0120-009934	12/19/18
Gillespie, Lisa J., Rad. Tech. 0120-009933	12/17/18
Ingram, Kassie E., Rad. Tech. 0120-009936	12/26/18
Robins, Karen N., Rad. Tech. 0120-009935	12/26/18
Palma, Jennifer L., Polysomnographic Technologist 0135-000540	12/17/18

The following individuals were suspended due to submitting a check, money draft, or similar instrument for payment of a fee required by statute or regulation which is not honored by the bank or financial institution named thereon:

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