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## Chair's Corner

By Dr. Kenneth Simons

“Do not wait until the conditions are perfect to begin. Beginning makes the conditions perfect.” -Alan Cohen

The above quote perfectly (yes, pun intended), encapsulates the essence of the work of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board. The board does not wait for a situation to be in the best possible position to achieve success but rather surveys the environment and acts appropriately and decisively in an effort to protect the health and safety of our citizenry. As can be clearly seen in this edition of the newsletter, the board and its dedicated public and professional members have been actively engaged in a number of areas that will benefit not only members of the physician community but also the Wisconsin public and the public residing in all of the Compact states who rely on the knowledge and skills of their doctor in assisting them to adopt a healthier lifestyle or returning them to good health. Public member and Interstate Medical License Compact Commissioner Robert Zondag has worked diligently behind the scenes with fellow commissioners, FSMB staff and others to develop the technical infrastructure required to



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allow for expedited interstate licensing in an efficient and seamless manner. I can unequivocally state that without Mr. Zondag, this simply would not have happened. Vice Chair Dr. Timothy Westlake has worked tirelessly with the Governor's office, the Legislature, the Wisconsin Medical Society, the two medical schools and hospital systems to ensure that the Board is an effective partner as we seek to have our physician workforce enhance its knowledge regarding the appropriate use and best prescriptive practices with opioids so that all of us can stop this scourge that has destroyed and taken far too many lives. The Telemedicine Committee (Drs. Carolyn Oglund Vukich, David Roelke, Kenneth Simons and Mr. Robert Zondag) has received written and verbal input from many interested parties and will use that input to develop a proposed rule that will assist all of us in utilizing this important modality in a safe and effective manner for our patients. Dr. Mary Jo Capodice has served tirelessly as the monitoring liaison working with DSPS staff and licensees in assisting impaired physicians to overcome their challenges such that

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### !!!ATTENTION!!!

**Requirement of Two Continuing Education Credits Before Next License Renewal Date May Be Imminent**

### **Update on Pain Management and Safe Prescribing**

The June 2016 MEB Newsletter reported that the Medical Examining Board was drafting guidelines regarding best practices in

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## Medical Examining Board Membership and Staff Assignments

*The Medical Examining Board consists of 13 members. The members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.*

### **Board Members:**

Kenneth Simons, M.D., Chairperson (Milwaukee)  
Timothy Westlake, M.D., Vice Chairperson (Hartland)  
Mary Jo Capodice, D.O., Secretary (Sheboygan)  
Michael Carton, Public Member (Oconomowoc)  
Padmaja Doniparthi, M.D., Physician Member (Oconomowoc)  
Rodney Erickson, M.D., Physician Member (Tomah)  
Bradley Kudick, Public Member (Waukesha)  
Lee Ann Lau, M.D., Physician Member (West Bend)  
Carolyn Ogland Vukich, M.D., Physician Member (Madison)  
David Roelke, M.D., Physician Member (Hartland)  
Russell Yale, M.D., Physician Member (Fox Point)  
Robert Zoeller, Physician Member (Oconomowoc)  
Robert Zondag, Public Member (Delafield)

*Information on how to apply for appointment to the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board can be found through the Office of the Governor:*

<http://walker.wi.gov/governor-office/apply-to-serve/boards-commissions>

### **Department of Safety and Professional Services**

#### **Administrative Staff:**

Thomas Ryan, Executive Director  
Amber Cardenas, Legal Counsel  
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#### **Executive Staff:**

Dave Ross, Secretary  
Eric Esser, Deputy Secretary  
Jeff Weigand, Assistant Deputy Secretary

*The dates and times of the Medical Examining Board meetings are announced on the DSPS website at*

<http://dsps.wi.gov>.

*Meeting agendas are posted approximately one week prior to the meeting.*

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prescribing controlled substances and rules that would require CME in safe and responsible controlled substances prescribing. In July, the MEB issued its [Opioid Prescribing Guideline](#). The Guideline, which encourages providers to implement best practices for responsible prescribing, was developed using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain and the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development's Chronic Opioid Clinical Management Guidelines for Wisconsin Worker's Compensation Patient Care as primary resources. At its October 19, 2016 meeting, the Board will be reviewing draft emergency rules which revise Wisconsin Administrative Code Chapter MED 13 to provide that 2 of the required 30 hours of CME **for the current biennium and the following biennium** must be related to the opioid prescribing guideline issued by the Board. Physicians who do not hold a U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration number to prescribe controlled substances are exempted under the rules. If approved by the Board, the emergency rules could go into effect as early as this November.

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they may return to care for patients in a manner which assures they are safe and competent. Dr. Capodice has also represented the board well within the osteopathic community by regularly attending their meetings and reporting back issues of import. So, as you can see, the MEB has not waited until the conditions are perfect to begin addressing issues, rather, it has simply begun efforts in multiple areas to protect our patients and to assist physicians, both osteopathic and allopathic, in caring for our communities in the best possible manner while utilizing all the available tools in a safe and responsible manner. As President Theodore Roosevelt said, "Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing." Rest assured, your MEB is living up to his important words and will continue to do exactly that.

## Current Name and Address Required

All applicants and recipients of a credential are required by Wisconsin statutes to notify the Department of Safety and Professional Services when they change their name or address from that most recently provided to the Department (most likely the name and address you included on your application for credential). The applicant or credential holder has 30 days to notify the Department from the date the change is made. Failure to comply in a timely manner may result in a \$50 forfeiture. You can update your name or address via the Department website at:

<http://dsps.wi.gov>.

Bear in mind that if you do not provide the Department with name or address changes, you may not receive important information such as complaint and investigation notices concerning your credential. The Department is only legally required to try to contact you at your last known address as indicated in Department records.

**CAUTION: It is considered “unprofessional conduct” if a license holder fails to cooperate in a timely manner with a Board investigation, and failure to timely cooperate may result in disciplinary action. See Wis. Stat. §§ 440.20(5), 440.11 and Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.03(3)(g).**



A wealth of useful information is available on the Department of Safety and Professional Services website at: <http://dsps.wi.gov>

### Do you have a change of name or address?

Licensees can update name or address information on the Department website at:

<https://online.drl.wi.gov/UserLogin.aspx>

Please note that confirmation of change is not automatically provided. Legal notices will be sent to a licensee's address of record with the Department.

### Telephone Directory:

Call the Department of Safety and Professional Services toll-free (877) 617-1565, or (608) 266-2112 in the Madison area to connect to the service you need.



## Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Update by Robert H. Zondag

Most of the medical community is aware of The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (IMLC). IMLC offers a new, voluntary expedited pathway to licensure for qualified physicians who wish to practice in multiple states by applying to a single platform for licensure across members of the Compact. The goal of the IMLC, beyond an effective means for physicians to seek licensure in member states, is to increase access to health care for patients in underserved or rural areas; allowing these populations to more easily connect with medical experts through the use of telemedicine technologies. This need is recognized not only by Wisconsin physicians but also a wide range of constituents across our State as well as members of the Medical Examining Board.

As many of you know, Wisconsin has entered the IMLC as a member state. Two Commissioners from each member state collectively form the IMLC Commission, the governing body that will administer the IMLC. Wisconsin is represented by Dr. Kenneth Simons, the Chair of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board and me, a public member of the Board. As your Commissioners, we are charged with representing the State's interests in the Compact, and we are actively involved with the

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IMLC's work to establish, as quickly as possible, effective processes for licensing, including:

- Adoption of administrative rules
- Establishment of a formal budget and funding guidelines
- Development of the website platform

The Commission is working diligently to construct administrative rules that will promote expedited licensure, establish a prudent service fee structure that will sustain ongoing licensure, and develop a safe and secure web platform that will promote reliability among licensees and member states. Thoughtful consideration has been taken on each of the steps so that the final process will function effectively. Both Wisconsin Commissioners are members of working Committees of the Commission.

As we near the launch of the platform, more information will be forthcoming. As your Commissioner, I invite you to learn more, participate in the process and ask questions. Although not an official website of the IMLC, a good source of information, including notice of public hearings and rulemaking, may be found at [www.licenseportability.org](http://www.licenseportability.org).

### **DSPS Prepares to Launch the Enhanced Wisconsin Prescription Drug Monitoring Program**

The Wisconsin Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (WI PDMP) continues to provide physicians with a valuable tool to help combat prescription drug abuse. Through the WI PDMP, registered prescribers and their delegates can access their patients' controlled substance prescription histories, which can help guide clinical decision making about the prescribing of opiates and other controlled substances.

In order to optimize use of the WI PDMP, important changes are on the horizon. DSPS is currently working on launching a new system with important new features. The enhanced WI PDMP (WI ePDMP) system will emphasize usability in an effort to better integrate PDMP data into clinical workflow. Site registration and access will be streamlined, and dynamic patient reports will draw attention to the most relevant and concerning data through analytics and visualizations based on recognized indicia of overdose risk.

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Ease-of-use will become vitally important in April of 2017, when legislation requiring prescribers to review the PDMP records before issuing most controlled substance prescriptions goes into effect. The legislation will also require pharmacies to submit data to the PDMP by the next business day, which will make timely data more readily available. Current law requires submission within seven days of dispensing.

It is important to note that current users of the PDMP will need to re-register for the new system when it goes live. The launch of the new system is scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2016. You should expect to receive more communications in the coming weeks and months as we near deployment.

## Enforcement Actions of the Medical Examining Board

The Medical Examining Board, with help from staff at the Department of Safety and Professional Services, can take action against licensed professionals around the state to help protect the citizens of Wisconsin, and the profession. You may search for any of the Board Orders listed below on the Department's website by using this link:

*Board Order Search:* <http://dsps.wi.gov/Other-Services/Lookup-Orders-Disciplinary>

*Disciplinary actions are reported to the National Practitioners Data Bank. Available options to the Board are:*

**Reprimand** - A public warning of the licensee for a violation.

**Limitation of License** - Imposes conditions and requirements upon the licensee, imposes restrictions on the scope of practice, or both.

**Suspension** - Completely and absolutely withdraws and withholds for a period of time all rights, privileges and authority previously conferred by the credential.

**Revocation** - Completely and absolutely terminates the credential and all rights, privileges and authority previously conferred by the credential.

*Non-disciplinary actions are not reported to the National Practitioners Data Bank. Available options to the Board are:*

**Administrative Warning** - Issued if violation is of a minor nature, a first occurrence and the warning will adequately protect the public. The issuance of an Administrative Warning is public information, however the reason for issuance is not.

**Remedial Education Order** - Issued when there is reason to believe that the deficiency can be corrected with remedial education, while sufficiently protecting the public.

# Board Orders

## April 2016—September 2016

Profession	Order No	Order Date	Respondent	City	State
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004551</a>	9/26/2016	Feltes, James R	Viroqua	WI
Physician Assistant	<a href="#">ORDER0004934</a>	9/21/2016	Jackson, Daniel B	Wausau	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004933</a>	9/21/2016	Bonzani, Robert A	Mokena	IL
Physician Assistant	<a href="#">ORDER0004936</a>	9/21/2016	Vegter, Gail Duane	Tomah	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004877</a>	9/21/2016	Barudin, Barry Seth	Greenville	MI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004935</a>	9/21/2016	Maskil, Craig D	Redgranite	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004937</a>	9/21/2016	Weber, Andrew R	Wausau	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004938</a>	9/21/2016	Wingate, Cheryl B	Fairmont	WV

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Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004821</a>	9/21/2016	Malek, Michel H	Kankakee	IL
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0002359</a>	8/17/2016	Leong, Levi C	St Croix Falls	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004878</a>	8/17/2016	Umland, Michael A	Chippewa Falls	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004877</a>	8/17/2016	Barudin, Barry Seth	Greenville	MI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004552</a>	8/12/2016	Hasan, Nosheen	Brookfield	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004820</a>	7/20/2016	Fantone, Emmanuel J	Fresno	CA
Medicine and Surgery, DO	<a href="#">ORDER0004819</a>	7/20/2016	Branstetter, Erik T	Medford	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004821</a>	7/20/2016	Malek, Michel H	Kankakee	IL
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0003817</a>	7/14/2016	Krieger, Westscot G	Appleton	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004723</a>	6/29/2016	Anuligo, Kenechi E	Schofield	WI
Podiatric Medicine and Surgery	<a href="#">ORDER0004783</a>	6/28/2016	Jacobs, Robert R	Thiensville	WI
Podiatric Medicine and Surgery	<a href="#">ORDER0004782</a>	6/28/2016	Beck, Keith A	Waukesha	WI
Podiatric Medicine and Surgery	<a href="#">ORDER0004784</a>	6/28/2016	Pietz, Patricia A	Fitchburg	WI
Podiatric Medicine and Surgery	<a href="#">ORDER0004781</a>	6/28/2016	Arbetter, Richard A	Wauwatosa	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004311</a>	6/28/2016	Murali, Ravi	Baraboo	WI
Occupational Therapist	<a href="#">ORDER0004765</a>	6/22/2016	Bartz-Bentz, Carol L	Manawa	WI
Physician Assistant	<a href="#">ORDER0004757</a>	6/15/2016	Bender, Mark C	Waukesha	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004760</a>	6/15/2016	Puszkarski, Slawomir J	Northbrook	IL
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004665</a>	6/15/2016	Tavis, Dale Robert	Silver Spring	MD
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004664</a>	6/15/2016	Ruiz Favela, Victor	Needham	MA
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004761</a>	6/15/2016	Reuss, Peter M	Eden Prairie	MN
Physician Assistant	<a href="#">ORDER0004759</a>	6/15/2016	Hammond-Koskey, David M	Ludington	MI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004758</a>	6/15/2016	Choi, Hongyung	Brookfield	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004612</a>	6/6/2016	Anderson, Earl L	Waupaca	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0002303</a>	5/25/2016	Haughey, Stephen A	Whitefish Bay	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0000861</a>	5/25/2016	Berezovski, Roman	Greenfield	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0002361</a>	5/25/2016	Sidhu, Devinder Kaur	Pleasant Prairie	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004724</a>	5/18/2016	Boettcher, Bradley S	Wisconsin Rapids	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004727</a>	5/18/2016	Misra, Virendra K	Oak Creek	WI
Medicine and Surgery, DO	<a href="#">ORDER0004247</a>	5/18/2016	Schrock, Troy D	Unity	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0001969</a>	5/18/2016	Angelini, Giuditta	Fitchburg	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004726</a>	5/18/2016	Hicks, Scott C	Menomonee Falls	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004723</a>	5/18/2016	Anuligo, Kenechi E	Schofield	WI
Medicine and Surgery, MD	<a href="#">ORDER0004725</a>	5/18/2016	Flanigan, Michael J	Hazelhurst	WI
Medicine and Surgery, DO	<a href="#">ORDER0002196</a>	5/10/2016	Meyer, Heath J	Minocqua	WI

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