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The Illinois State Medical Board convened an open meeting at 9:24 a.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 2025. The meeting was held in the IDFPR offices located at 555 W. Monroe Street, Chicago, IL 60661 and at 320 W. Washington Street, Springfield, IL 62786. The locations were connected by video conferencing.

A quorum of board members were physically present for the meeting:

Douglas Matzner, DC, Member, Chair Mohammed Asif, MD, Member Mary Huffman, DC, Member Mohammad Jameel, MD, Member Maria Laporta, MD, Member James MacKenzie, DO, Member Bartlomiej Nierzwicki, MD Member Sreenivas Reddy, MD, Member Ratna Kanumury, PA-C, Member Amber Poettker, PA-C, Member

Thomas Boyle, DO, Member, Vice Chair; attending the meeting via WebEx

Henry Adekoka, MD, member; Alicia Rauh, MD, Member; James Brooks, Member; Radhika Lohia, JD, member, did not attend the meeting

Department staff were physically present for the meeting:

Shami Goyal, MD, Chief Medical Coordinator Lauren McGinn, JD, Associate General Counsel Greg Marion, Chief of Medical Investigations Jerry R. Miller, Board Liaison Jane Livingston, Administrative Assistant

Department staff attended the meeting via WebEx:

Meghan Pipolo, Chief of Medical Prosecutions Iris Freeman, Administrative Assistant Chloe Compton Helena Buckner

Open Minutes

A motion was made and seconded (Reddy/Jameel) to approve the open minutes from the Medical Board meeting held on August 6, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendations made by the Complaint Committee on July 16, 2025

Mr. Miller reported that the Complaint Committee made the following recommendations:

■ Close 24 complaints – 5 with a letter of concern.

- Refer 12 complaints to Medical Prosecutions for review.
- Close 7 mandatory reports with 1 letter of concern.
- Refer 5 mandatory reports for prosecution.
- Approve open and closed minutes from Complaint Committee meetings held August 6,
 2025

A motion was made and seconded (Jameel/MacKenzie) to accept the recommendations made by the Complaint Committee on August 20, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Recommendations made by Medical Board in closed session on August 20, 2025

Mr. Miller reported that the Medical Board made the following recommendations:

- Approve 2 subpoenas.
- Approve 5 non-disciplinary orders.
- Approve 2 applications reviews: Christina Bennett, MD; Ahmet Atik, MD and defer 1 application review: Lucy Rose Hinton, MD
- Indefinity suspend physician and surgeon license 036-169589 for a minimum of 1 year.
 Case #: 2024-08392 Respondent: Tod J. Fusia, MD
- Review 1 Agreement of Care, Counseling and Treatment
- Approve 5 consent orders:

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2025-03954 Sonny Garcia, MD
2022-07721 Foti Chronopoulos, MD
2018-05973 Syed S. Warsi, MD
2024-01542 Ralph C. Menezes, MD
2025-07133 David J. Gray, MD
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A motion was made and seconded (Reddy/Jameel) to accept the recommendations made by the Medical Board during the closed session meeting on August 20 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

Mr. Marion reported for the month of August 1 through August 14,2025: 53 complaints were received; 14 complaints were referred to Medical Prosecutions for review; 131 complaints were closed; there were 518 open investigations; and the average caseload for an investigator was 104 cases.

Dr. Goyal reported that as of August 20, 2025, there were 105 cases assigned to the medical coordinators with 24 agreements of care, counseling, or treatment (CCT), and 325 cases monitored by the Probation unit.

Ms. Pipolo reported that as of August 20, 2025, there were 904 open cases assigned to the Medical Prosecutions unit, and 10 tax liability orders.

Public Comments

Dr. Anna Bhattachary came to the board meeting. She requested approval to retake USMLE. Board Liasion, Jerry R. Miller will correspond with her through email.

Nikita Saladi came to the board meeting. She wanted a licensure application status update. Meghan Pipolo responded to applicant. Ms. Pipolo advised applicant an offer would be made soon on her case. Applicant will be notified by email.

Adjourn Closed Session

A motion was made and seconded (Jameel/Matzner) to adjourn the closed session meeting of the Medical Board. The motion passed by a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.