Mark D. Ahlquist, M.D. #32093
311 South Ninth Street
Olivia, MN 56277

Year of Birth: 1956
Date of Action: May 13, 2017
Nature of Misconduct: Failure to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable medical practice.
Action Taken: Dr. Ahlquist’s license is reprimanded.

Paul E. Buhr, M.D. #19838
1108 West Park Avenue
Olivia, MN 56277

Year of Birth: 1942
Date of Action: May 13, 2017
Nature of Misconduct: Failure to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable medical practice.
Action Taken: Dr. Buhr’s license is reprimanded.

James W. Diffley, AT #2062
10118 108th Place North
Maple Grove, MN 55369

Year of Birth: 1983
Date of Action: May 13, 2017
Nature of Misconduct: Engaging in unethical conduct, engaging in unprofessional conduct; conduct with a patient which is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted as sexual; failure to cooperate with an investigation by the Board.
Action Taken: Mr. Diffley’s registration is revoked.

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Nathania K. Hammel, D.O.  #49736  
5637 154th Lane North West  
Ramsey, MN 55303  

Year of Birth: 1979  
Date of Action: May 15, 2017  

Nature of Misconduct: Engaging in unethical conduct; engaging in unprofessional conduct; inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness; improper management of medical records; becoming addicted or habituated to a drug or intoxicant; prescribing a drug or device for other than medically accepted therapeutic purposes; engaging in conduct with a patient which is sexual or may reasonably be interpreted by the patient as sexual; failure to cooperate with an investigation of the board; practicing under lapsed or nonrenewed credentials; and violating the terms of the health professional services program participating agreement.  

Action Taken: Dr. Hammel’s license is temporarily suspended.

James A. Ilko, M.D., #35700  
13421 Danube Lane  
Rosemount, MN 55068  
Year of Birth: 1961  
Date of Action: May 13, 2017  

Nature of Misconduct: Engaging in unethical conduct; engaging in unprofessional conduct, and failure to maintain adequate medical records.  

Action Taken: Dr. Ilko’s license is conditioned as follows:  
1. He is reprimanded.  
2. He shall complete a pre-approved course in medical records management.  
3. He shall maintain records that reflect the patient complaint, examination, diagnosis, treatment plan, response to therapy, and prescriptions authorized, including refills.  
4. He shall practice in a pre-approved group setting.  
5. He shall undergo an audit of his practice six months after starting in the group setting.  
6. He shall meet on a quarterly basis with a designated Board member  
7. He shall pay a civil penalty of $402.10.  
8. He may submit a written petition for reinstatement of an unconditional license upon the completion of the terms of the Stipulation and Order.

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Donald E. Jappert, M.D. #41187  
32208 County Road 1  
St. Cloud, MN 56303

Year of Birth: 1968

Date of Action: May 13, 2017

Nature of Misconduct: failure to conform to the minimal standards of acceptable medical practice; inability to practice medicine due to illness; becoming addicted to a drug or intoxicant.

Action Taken: Dr. Jappert voluntarily surrendered his license.

Jeffery D. Lovin, M.D. #39134  
14043 Durango Drive  
Del Mar, CA 92014

Year of Birth: 1958

Date of Action: May 13, 2017

Nature of Misconduct: disciplinary action taken in another jurisdiction; failure to make reports as required by section 147.111.

Action Taken: Dr. Lovin’s license is conditioned as follows:
1. He is reprimanded.
2. He shall comply with all terms and conditions imposed upon his Colorado license to practice medicine.
3. If he intends to practice in Minnesota, he shall first meet with the Board’s Complaint Review Committee
4. He may petition for an unconditional license in Minnesota after submitting sufficient evidence to the Board that he has satisfied the terms and conditions of his Colorado Order.

Alex Uspensky, M.D. #28060  
Bassett Creek Medical Building  
5851 Duluth Street Suite #311  
Golden Valley, MN 55422

Year of Birth: 1944

Date of Action: May 13, 2017

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Nature of Misconduct: engaging in unethical conduct; engaging in unprofessional conduct.

Action Taken:
1. He is reprimanded.
2. He shall complete a professional boundaries course.
3. He shall write and submit a paper for Committee approval, discussing what he has learned from the coursework.
4. He may submit a written petition for reinstatement of an unconditional license upon completion of the terms of his Order.

Gretchen Zachel, P.A. #8952  
1879 128th Avenue Northwest  
Coon Rapids, MN 55448  

Year of Birth: 1952  

Date of Action: May 13, 2017  

Nature of Misconduct: engaging in unethical conduct; failing to conform to the minimum standards of practice; failing to maintain adequate medical records; and engaging in inappropriate prescribing practices.

Action Taken:  
1. She is reprimanded.  
2. She shall read:  
   a. The Model Policy on the Use of Opioid Analgesics in the Treatment of Chronic Pain, adopted as policy by the Executive Committee of the Federation of State Medical Board of the United States, Inc. (FSMB), July 2013;  
   c. Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain, published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) United States, 2016;  
   d. The Institute for Clinical Systems Improvement (ICSI) Pain Assessment, Non-Opioid Treatment Approaches and Opioid Management Health Care Guideline, 2016.  
3. She shall successfully complete the following pre-approved courses:  
   a. Chronic Pain Management.  
   b. Chemical Dependency Awareness.  
   c. Medical Records Management.  

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d. Professional Boundaries
4. She shall practice in a pre-approved setting.
5. She shall develop, and submit for Committee approval, a written protocol for how she intends to use the Prescription Monitoring Program to access and track all prescriptions she writes and monitors for patients.
6. She may submit a written petition for reinstatement upon the completion of the readings, courses, and protocol development.

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