

**STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO
SUMMARY OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS 2006 - 2011**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
TOTAL DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS	183	175	187	211	208	217
Revocations	41	35	36	37	40	39
Indefinite Suspensions	44	46	51	54	53	54
Definite Suspensions	4	5	3	8	11	7
Probations	42	47	46	57	49	58
Reprimands	11	12	9	3	7	10
Practice Limitations	5	1	5	2	5	1
Surrenders/Retirements	11	7	4	8	13	14
Licensure denials or application withdrawals for disciplinary reasons	14	13	21	16	13	10
Summary Suspensions	5	3	8	6	10	10
Automatic Suspensions	1	0	2	2	0	2
Immediate Suspensions	3	3	2	12	3	5
Interim Agreement	0	3	0	1	1	0
Application approved/ conditionally approved	0	0	0	1	0	2
No Penalty Imposed/No further action	2	0	0	4	3	5
Fine levied (only)	0	0	0	0	1	0

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SUMMARY OF DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS BY LICENSE TYPE
2006 – 2011**

LICENSE TYPE	2006 183 actions	2007 175 actions	2008 187 actions	2009 211 actions	2010 208 actions	2011 217 actions
MD	125	107	108	111	135	141
DO	20	26	26	37	25	32
DPM	7	7	3	7	5	2
Massage Therapist	9	13	30	36	28	23
Cosmetic Therapist	1	0	0	1	0	0
Physician Assistant	4	8	11	12	6	9
Acupuncturist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Doctors in training	17	14	8	6	8	9
Anesthesiologist Assistant	0	0	1	1	1	1
Radiologist Assistant	NA	NA	NA	0	0	0

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**STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO
BASIS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Total Number of Actions taken	183	175	187	211	208	217
Actions by other state medical boards or agencies	29	15	16	15	22	21
Continuing Medical Education (CME) violations	3	5	4	4	12	6
Child support suspension	0	2	1	3	2	2
Criminal actions/convictions	23	33	25	36	36	24
Ethics violations	1	4	2	0	3	1
Failure to cooperate with a Board investigation	0	3	3	1	1	1
Failure to fully and accurately disclose information to the Board	16	13	15	13	5	7
Fraudulent misrepresentation in course of practice	0	0	0	3	0	2
Impairment	79	70	92	96	84	90
Prescribing issues	6	4	1	1	6	38
Licensure application/renewal issues	1	0	2	0	0	0
Minimal standards of care violations	6	13	9	14	15	6*
Sexual improprieties	1	1	1	6	3	1
Unlicensed / illegal practice	0	2	4	6	4	5
Other	0	0	3	1	0	1
Violation of a license limitation	18	10	9	12	15	12

*13 of the prescribing issue cases also included findings of failure to conform to the minimal standards of care

TOP THREE REASONS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
1. Impairment	1. Impairment	1. Impairment	1. Impairment	1. Impairment	1. Impairment
2. Actions by other State Boards or agencies	2. Criminal actions	2. Criminal actions	2. Criminal actions	2. Criminal actions	2. Prescribing Issues
3. Criminal actions	3. Actions by other State Boards or agencies	3. Actions by other State Boards or agencies	3. Actions by other State Boards or agencies	3. Actions by other State boards or agencies	3. Criminal actions & Actions by other boards or agencies

PERMANENT REVOCATION	The permanent loss of a certificate to practice in Ohio and the inability, at any time, to reapply for or hold any certificate to practice in Ohio. An individual whose certificate has been permanently revoked shall forever thereafter be ineligible to hold any certificate to practice, and the board shall not accept from that individual an application for reinstatement or restoration of the certificate or for issuance of a new certificate. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (A), Ohio Administrative Code)
REVOCATION	The loss of a certificate to practice in Ohio. An individual whose certificate has been revoked shall be eligible to submit an application for a new certificate. All disciplinary action taken by the board against the revoked certificate shall be made a part of the board's records for any new certificate granted under this rule. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (B), Ohio Administrative Code)
SUSPENSION	The temporary loss of a certificate to practice in Ohio. A suspension shall be imposed for either a definite or an indefinite period of time. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (C), Ohio Administrative Code)
LIMITATION	Precludes the certificate holder from engaging in a particular conduct or activity, to impose conditions on the manner in which that conduct or activity may be performed, or to require the certificate holder to abide by specific conditions in order to continue practicing medicine. A limitation shall be either temporary or permanent. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (D), Ohio Administrative Code)
PROBATION	A situation whereby the certificate holder shall continue to practice only under conditions specified by the board. Failure of the certificate holder to comply with the conditions of probation may result in further disciplinary action being imposed by the board. The probation period shall be for either a definite or indefinite term. If probation is for an indefinite term, the board shall establish a minimum probation period and the board shall release the certificate holder from the conditions of probation upon completion of the minimum probation period and upon the board's determination that the purpose of probation has been fulfilled. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (E) Ohio Administrative Code)
PERMANENT DENIAL	The permanent denial of an application for a certificate to practice in Ohio. An individual whose application for a certificate has been permanently denied shall forever thereafter be ineligible to apply to the board for any certificate to practice, and the board shall not accept from that individual an application for issuance of a certificate. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (J), Ohio Administrative Code)
DENIAL	The denial of an application for a certificate to practice in Ohio. An individual whose application for a certificate has been denied shall be eligible to submit a new application for a certificate. In determining whether to grant a new application, the board may consider any statutory violations that were committed by the individual before or after the denial of the individual's previous application, including those that formed the basis for the denial. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (K), Ohio Administrative Code)
REPRIMAND	The certificate holder is formally and publicly reprimanded in writing. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (F), Ohio Administrative Code)

CONSENT AGREEMENT	Conditions and limitations placed on licensee's practice by mutual agreement with the Medical Board. A Step 1 Consent Agreement suspends the license and contains terms and conditions to be met before the licensee may request reinstatement/restoration of their license. A Step II Consent Agreement may reinstate a suspended license, which enables the licensee to return to practice. The Step II Consent Agreement includes probationary monitoring terms and conditions that must be met for a specified term of probation before the licensee may request release from probation.
VOLUNTARY SURRENDER	Practitioner surrenders license to practice in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings; may authorize the Board to revoke the practitioner's license without further legal proceedings.
DISMISSAL	The Board finds that no violation has occurred. (Chapter 4731-13-36 (H), Ohio Administrative Code)
SUMMARY SUSPENSION	License to practice is suspended prior to a hearing based on clear and convincing evidence that continued practice by the licensee poses a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public. (Section 4731.22 (G), Ohio Revised Code)
AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION	License to practice is suspended prior to a hearing when a licensee pleads guilty to, is found by a judge or jury to be guilty of, or is found eligible for intervention in lieu of conviction in this state or treatment or intervention in lieu of conviction in another jurisdiction for specified crimes of violence. (Section 4731.22 (I), Ohio Revised Code)
IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION	License to practice is suspended prior to a hearing pursuant to Section 3719.121, Ohio Revised Code, when a licensee pleads guilty to, is found by a judge or jury to be guilty of, or is found eligible for treatment in lieu of conviction of a felony drug abuse offense.
APPLICATION CONDITIONALLY APPROVED	License approved subject to satisfaction of specific requirements(s) ordered by the Board, such as successful completion of an examination measuring current clinical abilities.
INTERIM AGREEMENT	Licensee agrees to cease practice or to practice with limitations until the administrative hearing process is completed and the Board issues a Final Order imposing a disciplinary sanction.
CITATION LETTER:	In compliance with Ohio's Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 119, Ohio Revised Code), a citation letter is the formal notice sent to an individual informing them that the Medical Board intends to take disciplinary action based upon the reasons listed in the letter. The letter also advises that they may request a hearing on the matter but the hearing request must be received within 30 days of the date the notice was mailed by the Board.