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Senator Donna Bailey, Chair Representative Anne Perry, Chair c/o Legislative Information Office Committee on Health Coverage, Insurance and Financial Services 100 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Senator Bailey and Representative Perry:

The Board of Licensure in Medicine hereby submits its 2022 Annual Report, in accordance with Title 32 M.R.S. §3269, 8-A. This report consists of certain complaint statistics for calendar year 2022.

Number of complaints carried forward from 2021	105
Number of new complaints filed in 2022	<u>194</u>
Total number of active complaints in 2022	300
	100
Number of complaints dismissed in 2022	133
Number of complaints resulting in adverse licensing actions in 2022	19

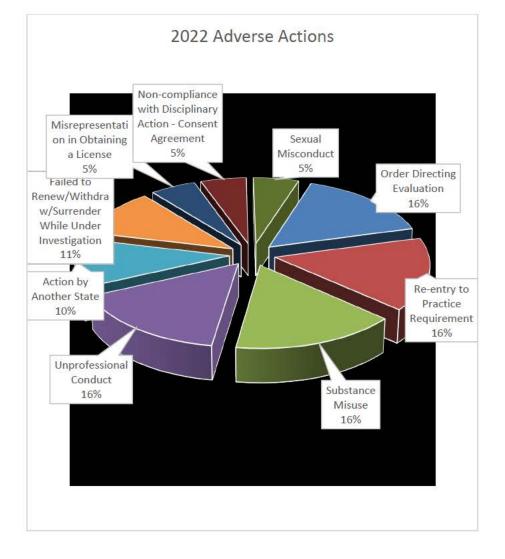
Also included is a breakdown of 2022 Board adverse licensing actions by classification. Details about each adverse licensing action are available on our public internet site at <a href="https://www.maine.gov/md/complaint/adverse-licensing-actions">https://www.maine.gov/md/complaint/adverse-licensing-actions</a>.

The following is a breakdown of adverse licensing actions taken in 2022:

Adverse Licensing Actions by Category:	Number of Actions
Order Directing Evaluation	3
Re-entry to Practice Requirement	3
Substance Misuse	3
Unprofessional Conduct	3

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Action by Another State	2
Failed to Renew/Withdraw/Surrender While Under Investigation	2
Misrepresentation in Obtaining a License	1
Non-compliance with Consent Agreement	1
Sexual Misconduct	1



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The Board is also required to submit the number of physician adverse licensing actions tabulated by the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). For 2022 the FSMB tabulated 24 actions taken by the Board. However, the FSMB system tabulates a change or reduction in discipline as a new action and breaks some disciplines into multiple reports, which accounts for its variance with the 19 adverse licensing actions actually taken by the Board in 2022. In addition, not all adverse actions taken by the Board are necessarily assigned a complaint number. For example, there may be situations that occur during licensure or re-licensure where the individual withdraws their license while under investigation, which is a reportable adverse licensing action to the FSMB and National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) but does not have a corresponding complaint number in ALMS. In addition, there are sometimes multiple complaints against a single licensee that results in a single global disposition of all of the complaints pursuant to a consent agreement.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the data.

Respectfully,

Dennis E. Smith, Esq. Executive Director

Cc: Commissioner Head