

Medical Licensing Board of Indiana
Indiana Government Center - South Building
402 W. Washington Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Minutes from the Meeting of
July 24, 2025

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/16076409084>
Meeting ID: 160 7640 9084

Kirk Masten, D.O., Vice President, called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-22.5-2-2, pursuant to public notice posted at the principal office for the Board, online at the board's website and on the state calendar at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

Board Members Present:

Kirk Masten, DO
Heidi Dunniway, MD
Bharat Barai, MD
Victoria McCann, JD
Rebecca Mueller, MD
Michael Busk, MD – Arrived 12:14p

Board Members Absent:

John Strobel, MD

PLA Staff:

Christine Maslan, Board Director
Kiko Dixon, Assistant Board Director

Advisory Counsel:

Adam Harvey, JD

Court Reporter:

Accurate Reporting – Margie Addington

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.
Barai/McCann 5-0-0.

Adoption of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes from June 26, 2025.

Dunniway/Barai 5-0-0.

Discussion Items

- A. OAG Report – Carah Rochester
- B. Director's Report – Christine Maslan, Board Director
- C. Adverse Anesthesia Event Reporting – Barbara Killian, PLA Associate General Counsel
- D. Med Spa Initial Discussion - Amy Osborne, PLA General Counsel

Administrative Hearings

Final Hearing

Johann D. Farley, M.D., 01060680A Cause No.: 2025 03-MED-0010
CONTINUED

Jeremy D. Lockett, M.D., 01073931A Cause No.: 2025 06-MED-0016

DAG: Alex James
Respondent: Failed to appear
Witness: None
Exhibit(s): None

Proposed Settlement Agreement presented.

A motion was made and seconded to ACCEPT proposed settlement agreement placing license on PROBATION with terms and conditions.

Barai/Mueller 5-0-0.
Motion carries.

Probation Modification

Sakib Khan, M.D., 01079206A Cause No.: 2017 MLB 0034
VACATED

Petition to Reinstate

Rugvedita S. Parakh, M.D., 01082449A Cause No.: 2021 MLB 0028

DAG: Carah Rochester
Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Laura Iosue
Witness: Jennifer Jackson-Harr, ISMA PAP program coordinator.
Exhibit(s):

Initial charges dropped and expunged after an 18-month diversion program.
Returned to Washington state, her home was only in Indiana for fellowship. Was being monitored by WA PAP, fell out of compliance with them, could not afford it. Returned to Indiana for mental health treatment. Indiana license was suspended when fell out of compliance.

ISMA PAP testimony – WA PAP will not engage with her until Indiana order is modified to include monitoring by WA PAP.

Looking for clarification from board of some sort of pathway to reinstatement down the road, what does the board want to see from her. Which PAP will be primary, etc.

State objects to petition to reinstate, does not object to language being changed in the original 2023 order to include WA PAP monitoring.

A motion was made and seconded to DENY petition to reinstate this license and to MODIFY order from July 5, 2023 to allow monitoring by WPAP.

Barai/Mueller 5-0-0.
Motion carries.

Cease and Desist

Karma Swift, UNLICENSED Cause No.: 2025 06-MED-0013

DAG: Carah Rochester
Respondent: Failed to appear
Witness:
Exhibit(s): None

State requests NOPD.

A motion was made and seconded to ISSUE Notice of Proposed Default.

McCann/Barai 5-0-0.
Motion carries.

Summary Suspension

Patrick Sheets, M.D., 01054176A Cause No.: 2025 07-MED-0023

DAG: Carah Rochester and Kelsey McKnight
Respondent: Appeared with counsel, Rachell Russell
Witness: **Dr. Sheets** – Physician for 28 years
Kendra Reyes – Currently human resources director for Clarion – former employee of Dr. Sheets in June 2023, was only employed for a couple weeks. Worked primarily as office manager
Jennifer Jordan - Is currently a student studying social work. Was a patient of Dr. Sheets about 2015 then became an employee about 2017. Worked as a Medical assistant in the office, was licensed as a CAN. August 2023 resigned.
Jamie Scholl – Works as an LPN for the last four (4) years. Worked at a long-term care facility where she worked for Dr. Sheets 2013-2017 then was employed for Dr. Sheet's office for 7-8 years
Anna Zylo
Jody Malone – LPN, worked with Dr. Sheets at the nursing home where Dr. Sheets was the medical director. Later became employee at his practice.
Regina Sheets - Married to the Respondent, currently going through divorce
Cassie McDaniel - OAG investigator
Exhibit(s): State's Exhibit A – Photos of shed and its contents
State's Exhibit B – Consumer complaints
State's Exhibit C –Business Records-Franciscan
State's Exhibit D –Prescriber Records
State's Exhibit E –Mulhall Affidavit for Records

Currently unable to prescribe controlled substances as pharmacy board suspended CSR for 90 days.

Kendra Reyes – Human resources director for Clarion – former employee of Dr. Sheets in June 2023, was only employed for a couple weeks. Worked primarily as office manager – testified as to what she witnessed with regard to CSR prescriptions. Paid by office via W2. Also, she was prescribed Adderall by Dr. Sheets for weight loss. About 40-50

Jamie Scholl – Works as an LPN for the last four (4) years. Worked at a long-term care facility where she worked for Dr. Sheets 2013-2017 then was employed for Dr. Sheet's office for 7-8 years. Rarely ordered urinary drug screens (UDS) on patients. Continued to prescribe even after UDS came back showing positive for drugs unprescribed. Described being present during liposuction in the office

Jennifer Jordan - Is currently a student studying social work. Was a patient of Dr. Sheets about 2015 then became an employee about 2017. Worked as a Medical assistant in the office, was licensed as a CAN. August 2023 resigned. Continue to be a patient after she became employee, was prescribed Adderall and Xanax.

Regina Sheets – Respondent's wife, currently going through a divorce. Lived in/shared a house with respondent. Shed on property had medical records stored inside, provided photos as an Exhibit 1.

Jody Malone – LPN, worked with Dr. Sheets at the nursing home where Dr. Sheets was the medical director. Later became employee at his practice. Testified that Dr. Sheets asked her to change patient notes by adding additional notes for files related to prescribing, stated that he "may be in trouble". Reported this to the police.

Dr. Sheets – Physician for 28 years, states that some of the witnesses were fired for stealing and that he filed police reports. No charges have been filed, has been unable to file civil suit as he cannot find anyone to take his case.

Key fob/random password generator was used to store prescriptions and was occasionally left outside in a mailbox. Was given to employees on occasion.

A motion was made and seconded to DENY summary suspension for ninety (90) days.

Barai/Mueller 5-0-0.
Motion carries.

Personal Appearances

Initial Application

Yasir Ahmad, M.D.

Reason: Spartan University – Disapproved Foreign Medical School

Failed to appear, asked the board to render a decision in his absence.

A motion was made and seconded to DENY the issuance of this license.

Masten/Barai 6-0-0.
Motion carries.

Kyle Grose, M.D.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/Dunniway 6-0-0.
Motion carries.

Zacory Kobylarz, M.D.

OWI in NH 2022 - .13 bac, self-reported to hospital and NH board, no action taken on NH or WI licenses.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/McCann 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Amanda Mekota A.A.

Reason: 2007, 2011, 2012 OWI, Recommended by Dr. Masten for PA

DUI in 2007 and 2011 for both incidents I was “young and dumb” hit a curb. There was no Uber. 2007 incident I went to jail for 2 days. Second incident I did 30 days house arrest with work release. License suspended had breathalyzer on my car for a year. Licensed in Ohio, reported this to Ohio, they did not bring any action on her license.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/McCann 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Adnaan Sheikh, M.D.

Reason: 2022 OWI

2022 had a couple of beers, .12 bac, swerved to avoid a deer, flipped car.

Was a resident in NY at the time of the accident.

Currently second year fellowship in Kentucky. IU offered weekend shifts. Fully licensed in KY, was evaluated they took no action.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Dunniway/Barai 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Ping Shi, M.D.

Reason: Observership in China without license, gap between observership to present, Recommended by Dr. Strobel for PA.

Neurology major, recently got job offer in Louisville, KY that I start August 1st.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Busk/Dunniway 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Abbas Smiley, M.D.

Reason: No license verification, unrecognizable Fort Wayne location, Dr. Strobel + Dr. Masten review for PA, Repeated USMLE Steps 1 + Step 2, but did not repeat USMLE Step 3

Has job offer in South Bend, moving from Rochester, NY. Full licensure in NY and CA is pending.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/Dunniway 5-0-1.

Masten voted Nay

Motion carries.

Suzanne Trupin, M.D.

Reason: MedMal and previous IL disciplinary action (public reprimand 2017 + 2022)

2014 had a patient have allergic reaction to Lidocaine, she did not survive.

Solo practitioner in IL since 1981.

Has a few Indiana patients that go to her Champagne, IL office.

2017 caught up in a "Med Spa Sting" in IL and was fined for not supervising her collaborators.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE the issuance of this license.

Barai/Dunniway 3-0-2.

Motion carries.

Reinstatement Application

Kristen Sherman, R.D., 37002377A

Reason: Lapsed license for 13 years

Started as an RD in a clinical field that required licensure and credentialing. I then worked for WIC for 13 years that did not require licensure, so I let my RD license lapse, but kept my credentials current.

A motion was made and seconded to APPROVE issuance of this reinstatement

Masten/McCann 6-0-0.

Motion carries.

Adjournment 2:37p.m.