**MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF MEDICINE TAKES**

**DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

**WAKEFIELD:**  At its meeting on August 4, 2016, the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine took disciplinary action against the medical licenses of Salil H. Patel, M.D., Mervyn H. Woolf, M.D., and Edward Levitan, M.D.

In a Final Decision & Order, the Board revoked the limited license of Dr. Salil H. Patel after he agreed in a Stipulation that he took a blank taxi voucher, to which he was not entitled, from a secured area of Tufts Medical Center.  Dr. Patel used this taxi voucher to take a taxi cab to his home in Providence, Rhode Island. The revocation is retroactive to March 17, 2012, the date following his termination from Tufts Medical Center’s radiation oncology program. Dr. Patel was first licensed in Massachusetts in July, 2010.

The Board reprimanded Dr. Mervyn H. Woolf after he agreed in a Consent Order that he failed to respond accurately to two questions on his Physician Renewal Application. Dr. Woolf, a board-certified anesthesiologist, was first licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts in 1993. He currently practices medicine in Rhode Island.

In a Final Decision & Order, the Board also reprimanded Dr. Edward Levitan after he stipulated that he failed to fully disclose in a patient consent form the lack of efficacy or potential interactions of chelation therapy when used for the treatment of coronary artery disease.  Dr. Levitan who is board-certified in Family Medicine has been licensed in Massachusetts since 2004. He currently practices medicine in a private practice in Newton.

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine licenses more than 40,000 physicians, osteopaths and acupuncturists.  The Board was created in 1894 to protect the public health and safety by setting standards for the practice of medicine and ensuring that doctors who practice in the Commonwealth are appropriately qualified and competent. The Board investigates complaints and determines sanctions. More information is available at [www.mass.gov/massmedboard](http://www.mass.gov/massmedboard), or you may contact Bridgette Sanders at (781) 876-8202.