**MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF MEDICINE TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

WAKEFIELD: At its meeting on February 20, 2020, the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine took disciplinary action against the medical license of Gabriel A. Luna, M.D., John L. Ewald, M.D. Wilfrid G. Pitts, M.D., and David S. Shenker, M.D.

The Board summarily suspended the medical license of Dr. Gabriel A. Luna after finding that he poses a serious threat to the public health, safety or welfare. The Board alleges that Dr. Luna engaged in conduct that has the capacity to deceive or defraud. The Board also alleges Dr. Luna fraudulently procured his medical license when he repeatedly provided false information on his medical license applications relating to criminal offenses. Dr. Luna has the right to a hearing at the Division of Administrative Law Appeals within seven days. Dr. Luna was first licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts in December 2015.

The Board accepted Dr. John L. Ewald’s resignation of his medical license. Dr. Ewald has been licensed in Massachusetts since June 1985. Until he entered into a Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice with the Board on January 23, 2020, Dr. Ewald practiced medicine in Brockton and West Yarmouth.

The Board also accepted Dr. David S. Shenker’s resignation of his right to renew his license to practice medicine. Dr. Shenker was licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth from August 1996 until June 2019. He currently practices medicine in New York.

The Board also accepted Dr. Wilfrid G. Pitts resignation of his medical license. Dr. Pitts has been licensed to practice medicine in the Commonwealth since 1977 and practiced medicine in the Worcester area.

Resignation is a disciplinary action that permanently removes a physician from the practice of medicine

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, or you may contact the Board at borimmedia@massmail.state.ma.us.