BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In The Matter of an Investigation of

LARRY YEE, M.D.

License No. 4655

Case No. 11-6816-1

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

ORDER OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION

On August 26, 2011, Board staff presented evidence and information to the Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board"), composed of Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., Chairman, Valerie J. Clark, BSN, RHU, LUTCF, Member, and Michael J. Fischer, M.D., Member, regarding Larry Yee, M.D. Upon review of the evidence and information presented by Board staff, the Investigative Committee hereby IMMEDIATELY SUSPENDS the license to practice medicine of Dr. Larry Yee (hereinafter "Dr. Yee") pursuant to NRS 630.326(1), based upon the following preliminary findings:

1. Dr. Yee is a physician licensed to practice medicine in the state of Nevada and was originally licensed on July 10, 1982. Dr. Yee practices medicine in the Las Vegas area and his primary specialty is listed with the Board as family practice.

2. Pursuant to standard procedure, the Investigative Committee ("Committee"), through Board staff, requested Dr. Yee, on several occasions to provide responses and records related to matters before the Committee. These matters include: confirmed instances of increasingly erratic and inappropriate behavior as witnessed by patients, current and former staff members of Dr. Yee, as well as Board staff; questionable prescribing practices and the obtaining and attempting to obtain prescription medications, including controlled substances, for himself through staff and patients; and his failure to comply with previous orders of the Committee to address concerns that could affect his ability to provide appropriate and safe patient care.

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3. Dr. Yee previously failed to comply with these requests and subsequently an order to appear before the Committee in August 2010 was served on Dr. Yee. Dr. Yee failed to appear before the Committee as ordered. Subsequently, a formal complaint (10-6816-1) was filed charging Dr. Yee with one count of failing to comply with an order of a committee of the Board, a violation of NRS 630.3065(2)(a). The matter is pending settlement before the Board.

4. Attempts were again made to secure responses and records regarding matters before the Committee and subpoenas were eventually issued to obtain the requested materials. Dr. Yee failed to comply with the subpoenas and any attempts of Board staff to obtain the materials requested.

5. In the interim, it was confirmed that Dr. Yee’s erratic and inappropriate behaviors have continued to escalate. An order was served on Dr. Yee, through his counsel, on July 27, 2011, ordering his appearance before the Committee to discuss his failure to respond to repeated attempts of the Committee to secure materials needed to complete an investigation and review of these serious matters before they could affect patient safety.

6. On August 26, 2011, Dr. Yee failed to appear before the Committee as ordered to discuss the matters being considered by the Committee.

As a result of the foregoing, the Investigative Committee believes that due to Dr. Yee’s confirmed continuing erratic and inappropriate behavior, his prescribing practices and attempts to obtain prescription drugs, including controlled substances, through others, his failure to comply with previously issued Committee orders and his continual failure to comply with requests or orders of the Committee to address these serious matters, that the health, safety and welfare of the public is at imminent risk of harm and that a summary suspension of Dr. Yee’s license to practice medicine is necessary to remove said risk of imminent harm to the health, safety and welfare of the public.

Accordingly, pursuant to NRS 630.326(1):

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the license to practice medicine in the state of Nevada of Larry Yee, M.D. (License No. 4655) is hereby suspended until further order of the Investigative Committee or Board; and,
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a hearing be set within forty-five (45) days of this Order regarding this matter, pursuant to NRS 630.326(2), to determine whether this suspension may continue, unless the parties mutually agree to a longer period of time.

DATED this 2nd day of September, 2011.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: Theodore B. Berndt, M.D.
Chairman, Investigative Committee