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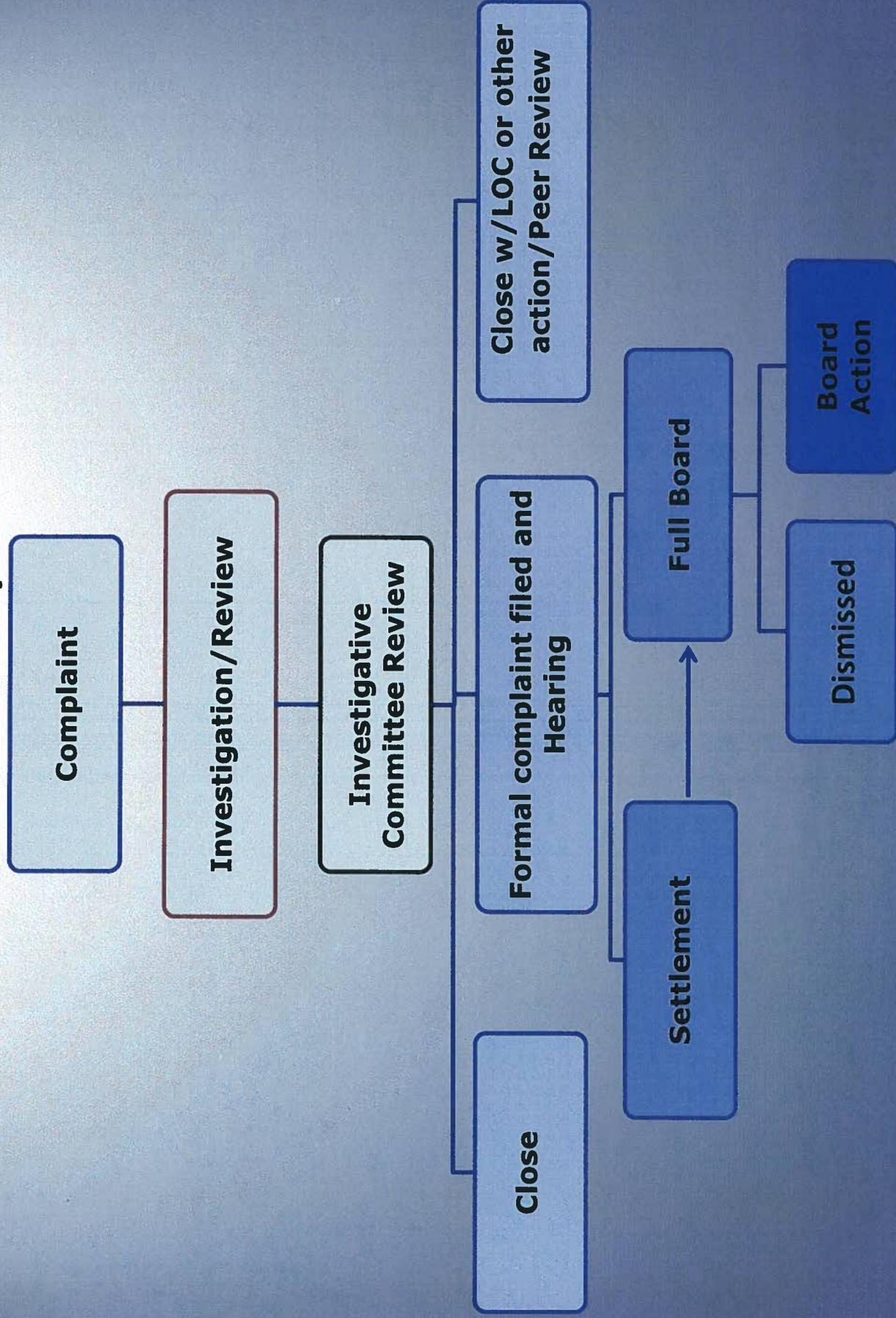
BEFORE THE STATE PLANNING SESSION ON PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE

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The NSBME Complaint Process





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June 13, 2016

Licensee Name, M.D.
1000 Street Name
City, NV 89000

RE: Nevada State Board of Pharmacy PMP Report: Patient Notice

Dear Dr. Licensee Name:

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 453.1545(4), the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board) is in receipt of a Prescription Monitoring Program Report (PMP Report) from the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy. This PMP Report identifies a number of providers of controlled substances for **Patient Name**, based upon threshold criteria set forth by the PMP Program Administrator. The Board is providing this confidential information to encourage the utilization of the PMP as an informational and assessment tool pursuant to NRS 639.23507, which reads as follows:

A practitioner shall, before initiating a prescription for a controlled substance listed in schedule II, III or IV, obtain a patient utilization report regarding the patient from the computerized program established by the Board and the Investigation Division of the Department of Public Safety pursuant to NRS 453.1545 if:

- 1. The patient is a new patient of the practitioner; or*
- 2. The prescription is for more than 7 days and is part of a new course of treatment for the patient. The practitioner shall review the patient utilization report to assess whether the prescription for the controlled substance is medically necessary.*
- 3. If a practitioner who attempts to obtain a patient utilization report as required by subsection 1 fails to do so because the computerized program is unresponsive or otherwise unavailable, the practitioner:*
 - (a) Shall be deemed to have complied with subsection 1 if the practitioner documents the attempt and failure in the medical record of the patient.*
 - (b) Is not liable for the failure.*

This letter is not intended to imply that either you or the above-named patient has engaged in any inappropriate or illegal activities. Instead, it is intended as informational, to enable you to follow up as you deem appropriate in your professional judgment. Please contact me with any questions at (775) 688-2559.

Respectfully,

Edward O. Cousineau, J.D.
Executive Director
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Medical Doctor / Special Purpose Medical Doctor / Physician Assistant

CME Breakdown
NRS 630.253*
NAC 630.153 & NAC 630.350

- (1) 40 Hours if licensed during the first 6 months of the biennial period of registration.
(July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 of year one or anytime prior to December 31, 2015)
(2 ethics*, 20 in scope of practice, 18 anything else AMA Category 1)
- (2) 30 Hours if licensed during the second six months of the biennial period of registration.
(January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016 of year one)
(2 ethics*, 15 scope of practice, 13 anything else AMA Category 1)
- (3) 20 Hours if licensed during the third six months of the biennial period of registration.
(July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016 of year two)
(2 ethics*, 10 scope of practice, 8 anything else AMA Category 1)
- (4) 10 Hours if licensed during the fourth six months of the biennial period of registration.
(January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 of year two)
(2 ethics*, 5 scope of practice, 3 anything else AMA Category 1)

CMEs must be AMA Category 1, classified by the AAPA as Category 1 (for PAs) or NSBME Board approved

*** 2 Hours completed in medical ethics, or you may substitute pain management and/or addiction care CME for this requirement.**

20 Hours in scope of practice or specialty

18 Hours any AMA category 1

CMEs are not required for INACTIVE LICENSEES

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Continuing Efforts Regarding Prescription Drug and Opioid Abuse

Licensee Awareness and Education

- Quarterly Newsletter – Opioid Prescribing, Information, Updates and CMEs offered to Licensees in the Board Newsletter
 - March 2016 - Articles - New CDC Opioid Guidance Information, FDA Drug Safety Communication: Several Safety Issues with Opioid Pain Medicines, Department of Health and Human Services Awards \$94 Million to Health Centers: Will Help Treat Prescription Opioid Abuse and Heroin Epidemic in America
 - December 2015 - CMEs offered by Clark County Medical Society (CCMS) for pain medication management
 - September 2015 - Articles and CMEs – Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) Opioid CME opportunity, FSMB information on guidelines available for opioid prescribing
 - October 2014 - Articles – Emergency Department Visits Linked to Zolpidem Overmedication Nearly Doubled, DEA Final Ruling of Hydrocodone Combination Products
 - June 2014 - Article - FDA Reminder Regarding Acetaminophen Prescription Combination Drug Products
 - March 2014 - Articles - CDC: Physicians are a leading source of prescription opioids for the highest risk users, FDA Statement on Acetaminophen Prescription Combination Drug Products
 - December 2013 - Article - Safer Use of Opioid Analgesics by Lisa Adams, Program Administrator, Nevada Controlled Substances Task Force
 - August 2013 - Offering - FSMB Opioid Prescribing ebook now available, CMEs available
 - November 2012 - Article - Prescription Monitoring Program & Controlled Substance Abuse Prevention, Lisa Adams, Program Administrator, Nevada Controlled Substances Task Force

- Eblasts
 - Sent out when CMEs are available through UNR, FSMB, CCMS

Outreach

- Investigations Presentation
 - International Association of Special Investigators Unit

Participation in Industry Coalitions, Task Forces and Training by Executive and Investigations Staff

- Industry Coalition on Drug Abuse
- Community Opioid Response Group
- Join Together Northern Nevada (JTNN)
- U.S. Attorney's Office Health Fraud Task Force – Quarterly
- National Conference on Pharmaceutical and Chemical Diversion
- High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area – HIDTA – Clark and Washoe County
- National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators Western Regional Conference
- Opioids Misuse and Abuse – UNR