



MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
Executive Office



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Corrected Letter

John W. Allen, M.D.
11238 Quail Canyon Road
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Re: Physician's & Surgeon's License #C 37706
Case number: 10-2005-165675

PUBLIC REPRIMAND

Between about December 19, 2004 and February 22, 2005, you provided psychiatric care to a patient. The patient had a medical history that included treatment-resistant paranoid schizophrenia and poly-substance abuse, and had suffered numerous prior admissions to an institution with poor response to antipsychotic treatments.

You initiated treatment with the medication, Clozaril (Clozapine) without reviewing the patient's medical records to determine if the patient had ever been prescribed this medication or had ever had any adverse reaction to this medication. Also, you failed to adequately supervise and monitor this patient between February 11, 2005 and February 22, 2005, and you failed to adequately supervise staff to ensure the "weekly WBC checks" required for patients on Clozapine occurred. These actions are in violation of California Business and Professions Code section 2234, (c).

WHEREFORE, pursuant to the authority of sections 495 and 2227 of the California Business and Professions Code, the Medical Board of California hereby issues a Public Reprimand in this matter, and understands from your conduct and representations that no future violations of the California Business and Professions Code will occur.



Richard Fantozzi, M.D.
President
Medical Board of California