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**STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

**BOSTON:** At its meeting today, the State Board of Registration in Medicine took action against the medical license of Dr. David Victor, a Lowell physician specializing in ophthalmology and neurology. He is a graduate of Tufts University School of Medicine and has specialty board certification in both Ophthalmology and Neurology.

In March 2004, Dr. Victor entered into a Voluntary Agreement for Practice Restrictions with the Board of Medicine. Under the terms of the agreement, Dr. Victor voluntarily agreed to use a chaperone and provide appropriate levels of privacy when examining all female patients. In August 2005, a second agreement with the Board restricted Dr. Victor from any medical practice until the Board's investigation could be completed. Today, the Board accepted Dr. Victor's resignation of his license to practice medicine. Resignation is a disciplinary action, and permanently removes a physician from the practice of medicine.

The Board's disciplinary action follows its investigation of three patient complaints alleging inappropriate physical examinations. During the course of the Board investigation, a fourth case was identified when Dr. Victor acknowledged inappropriate physical contact with a terminally ill patient who was in a long-term care facility.

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine licenses more than 30,000 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, holds hearings and determines sanctions. More information is available at [www.massmedboard.org](http://www.massmedboard.org).

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