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Media Release

Dentist Enters Plea for Misuse of Ohio Prescription Monitoring System

Solon, Ohio (Cuyahoga County) - On October 7, 2013, Ohio State Board of Pharmacy Executive Director Kyle Parker, announced that Dr. Fred S. Glick, 55, has entered into a plea agreement with the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office for his misuse of the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System (O.A.R.R.S.).

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy initiated an investigation in January 2013, after receiving a complaint that Dr. Glick allegedly ran an O.A.R.R.S. report inappropriately. As a result of the investigation, it was discovered that Dr. Glick accessed the O.A.R.R.S. database twenty one times and illegally obtained prescription data from the time period of February 2012 through December 2012. At the time he accessed the database, the person was not a patient of Dr. Glick. Therefore, he had no legal authority or reason to access the information.

A Cuyahoga County Grand Jury indicted Dr. Glick on April 16, 2013, on twenty-one felony counts of the misuse of the O.A.R.R.S. database. Prior to Dr. Glick's trial scheduled on October 7, 2013, he entered a plea of guilty to only one felony count, and was subsequently sentenced to six months probation and ordered to pay a \$2,500.00 fine.

"This is a great accomplishment, as this is the first conviction in Ohio for the improper use of O.A.R.R.S.," said Ohio State Board of Pharmacy Spokesman, Jesse Wimberly.

The Ohio State Board of Pharmacy is the governing agency of the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System, which is a prescription monitoring program established in 2006 as a tool to assist healthcare professionals and law enforcement agencies to quickly identify drug seeking behaviors and patterns of improper prescribing by physicians. Misuse of the O.A.R.R.S. data is a criminal offense under Ohio Revised Code 4729.86.

The Ohio State Board would like to thank Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Timothy McGinty, and Cuyahoga County Assistant Prosecutors Denise Salerno and Nicholas Reif, for their support with this investigation.