

**TIPS ON
ANSWERING
ALLEGATIONS OF**

**"IRREGULAR
BEHAVIOR"**

**FOR USMLE STEP
EXAMS**

*From the Health Law Attorneys at
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TAKING THE USMLE STEP EXAMS IS AN INTENSE AND STRESSFUL EXPERIENCE

Adding to this stress, sometimes a minor, inadvertent violation of the rules can leave you facing an accusation of "irregular behavior."



WHAT COULD HAPPEN IF ACCUSED OF "IRREGULAR BEHAVIOR?"

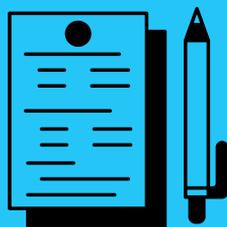
- Holding up your test results
- Holding up your medical school graduation in certain cases
- Causing delays in matching for a residency
- Barring your use of USMLE's services for one year, three years or life



HOW TO AVOID BEING ACCUSED OF "IRREGULAR BEHAVIOR"

Anyone can be suspicious.

Something as innocent as:



- Using a cell phone anywhere at the exam center
- Talking with another test taker in the restroom or near the exam room
- Making notes or marks on your clothes or body (hand, ankle, etc.)



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- Writing down or making list of questions, topics or issues that were on your exam
- Failing to disclose prior attempts to take step exams
- Failing to disclose prior registration under a different name
- Taking an examination when you are not authorized to do so (e.g., not officially registered in medical school)
- Providing or requesting test content on the Internet

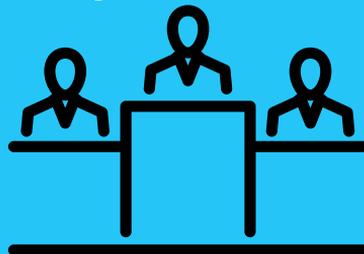
WHAT TO DO IF ACCUSED?

As soon as an accusation like this surfaces, call an experienced health law attorney.

You will have the right to request an in-person hearing in front of the Committee for Individual Review (CIR) appointed by the USMLE to hear and decide such cases.

You have the right to obtain and submit statements and documents relevant to the issues for your hearing. We will help you do this.

Finally, if you have a hearing scheduled before the CIR, you want to be well prepared in advance, and you want an experienced attorney by your side at the hearing.



CALL THE HEALTH LAW FIRM!

Such an accusation is extremely serious. It can affect your future career as a doctor.

If you need an attorney experienced in defending against USMLE and ECFMG investigations of "irregular behavior,"

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