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Re:

In the Matter of Hossein Sadrzadeh M.D.

Adjudicatory Case No. 2023-041

Dear Attorney Cirel:

Enclosed please find a corrected copy of the April 10, 2025 Board Order in the above-referenced matter.

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Cc: Robert Harvey, Esq. PHC Board Counsel

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

MIDDLESEX, SS	BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN MEDICINE
	Adjudicatory Case No: 2023-041 (RM-23-0518)
In the Matter of)	Order
Hossein Sadrzadeh, M.D.	<u>Oldol</u>

Procedural History

The Board initiated this proceeding by issuing a Statement of Allegations (SOA) against Hossein Sadrzadeh, M.D. (Respondent) on October 19, 2023 and referring the matter to the Division of Administrative Law Appeals (DALA). The DALA Magistrate conducted a hearing on August 12, 2024 and issued a Recommended Decision on October 18, 2024. On February 6, 2025, after full consideration of the Recommended Decision, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference, the Board issued a Final Decision and Order that adopted the Recommended Decision, finding that the Respondent failed to disclose his arrest and pending charges on his application in violation of 243 Code of Mass. Regs. § 103(5)(a)(16) and that his criminal charge undermined the public confidence in the integrity of the medical profession. See Raymond v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 387 Mass. 708 (1982); and Levy v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 378 Mass. 519 (1979). The Board was also concerned that the facts an indication of a pattern of possible alcohol abuse. The Final Decision and Order indefinitely suspended the Respondent's license to practice medicine in Massachusetts. Said suspension was stayed for ninety (90) days in order for the Respondent to submit either (a) documentation from Physician Health Services (PHS) that he had been assessed for an alcohol use disorder or (b) the results of such an assessment by a Board-approved addiction specialist. On April 1, 2025, the Respondent submitted a Petition to Retroactively Approve Evaluator and to Reconsider Sanction (Petition).

Discussion

As set forth in the February 6, 2025 Final Decision and Order, the Board indefinitely suspended the Respondent's medical license but stayed that suspension for 90 days. Any further stay of suspension was contingent upon the Respondent submitting either documentation from PHS that he had been assessed by a provider engaged with or through PHS and the results of that assessment or, alternatively, the results of such an assessment by a Board-approved addiction specialist. The Final Decision and Order also states that the Board will reconsider the sanction if the Board determines that the documentation from PHS or the results of an assessment indicate that the Respondent does not have and has never had an alcohol use disorder.

In his Petition, the Respondent states that he underwent an assessment at the UMass Outpatient Psychiatry group. The Respondent submitted a copy of the results of said assessment, which was conducted on March 18, 2025. The Respondent states that the assessment determined that he does not meet, nor has ever met, the criteria for an alcohol use disorder.

After full consideration of the results of the assessment, the Board determines that the results of the assessment warrant reconsideration of the sanction imposed in this matter.

The Board has previously imposed a reprimand without substance use monitoring requirements for criminal conduct involving impaired driving where the physician has been evaluated by an addiction medicine specialist and the specialist has determined that the physician does not and has never met the criteria for a substance use disorder. *See In the Matter of Salman S. Ghiasuddin, M.D.*, Board of Registration in Medicine, Adjudicatory Case No. 2024-039 (Consent Order, July 18, 2024).

Order

Based on the foregoing, the Board hereby amends the February 6, 2025 Final Decision and Order in the following manner:

- (1) The Board acknowledges that the Respondent provided documentation of the results of an alcohol use disorder assessment that demonstrates that he does not meet the criteria for an alcohol use disorder, and further demonstrates that he has never met the criteria for an alcohol use disorder;
- (2) The Board retroactively approves the evaluator and accepts the report of the assessment; and

(3) The Board rescinds the indefinite suspension of Respondent's medical license, nunc pro

tunc to February 6, 2025, and in its place imposes a sanction of a reprimand.

Except as modified herein, the Final Decision and Order issued on February 6, 2025, inclusive of

all findings of fact, conclusions of law and discussion, remains in full force and effect.

The Respondent shall provide a complete copy of this Final Decision and Order, with all

exhibits and attachments, within ten (10) days by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by

hand delivery to the following designated entities: any in- or out-of-state hospital, nursing home,

clinic, other licensed facility, or municipal, state, or federal facility at which he practices medicine;

any in- or out-of-state health maintenance organization with whom he has privileges or any other

kind of association; any state agency, in- or out-of-state, with which he has a provider contract;

any in- or out-of-state medical employer, whether or not he practices medicine there; the state

licensing boards of all states in which he has any kind of license to practice medicine; the Drug

Enforcement Administration – Boston Diversion Group; and the Massachusetts Department of

Public Health Drug Control Program. The Respondent shall also provide this notification to any

such designated entities with which he becomes associated in the year following the date of

imposition of this reprimand. The Respondent is further directed to certify to the Board within ten

(10) days that he has complied with this directive.

The Respondent has the right to appeal this Final Decision and Order within thirty (30)

days, pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §§14 and 15, and G.L. c. 112, § 64.

Date: April 10, 2025

Booker T. Bush, M.D.

Board Chair

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