**MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF MEDICINE TAKES DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

WAKEFIELD: At its meeting on April 8, 2021, the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine took disciplinary action against the medical licenses of Bhagwan Dass Gupta, M.D., George F. Gales, M.D. and Edward J. Williams, M.D.

In a Consent Order, the Board reprimanded the medical license of Dr. Bhagwan Dass Gupta after finding that he engaged in conduct that undermines the public confidence in the medical profession, to wit, touching a fellow employee in a manner that made the individual feel uncomfortable. Dr. Gupta is required to complete Continuing Professional Development credits in the maintenance of boundaries. Dr. Gupta has been licensed in the Commonwealth since August 7, 1979. He currently practices medicine in Lynnfield.

The Board also reprimanded Dr. George F. Gales’ license to practice medicine after the he agreed in a Consent Order that he rendered substandard care to three patients. Dr. Gales has been licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts since July 1, 1978. Dr. Gales was formerly affiliated with Steward Medical Group at Crown Colony in Quincy, as well as Steward Carney Hospital.

In a Final Decision & Order, the Board reprimanded the medical license of Dr. Edward J. Williams after it found that Dr. Williams had been disciplined by the New Hampshire Board of Medicine for reasons substantially similar to those for which Massachusetts could impose discipline, to wit, for engaging in conduct that places into question his competence to practice medicine when he failed to order imaging and other studies to discover the cause of a patient’s symptoms. Dr. Williams has been licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts since June 26, 1996. He is currently practicing medicine in New Hampshire.

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine licenses more than 40,000 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 and determines sanctions. More information is available at www.mass.gov/massmedboard, or you may contact the Board at borimmedia@massmail.state.ma.us