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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF DENTISTRY

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IN THE MATTER OF	:	Administrative Action
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<b>MITRA ABDOLLAHI, D.M.D.</b>	:	
<b>License No. DI 01916000</b>	:	CONSENT ORDER
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LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY	:	
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY	:	
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon receipt of information that Mitra Abdollahi, D.M.D. ("respondent"), had pled guilty to one count of third degree health care claims fraud and had been debarred from the State Medicaid program based on her acknowledgment that she had knowingly submitted false and misleading claims to Medicaid during the period 2002 to 2007. On January 18, 2008, a judge of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Camden County, sentenced respondent to five years probation, and to a 364 day sentence at the Camden County Correction Facility of which at least 120 days was to be served in the County Supplemental Labor Services

(CSLS), a program of supervised community service, before being eligible for a home-monitoring program. Additionally, the Court assessed a civil penalty of \$103,409.77 and directed that respondent make restitution in the amount of \$103,409.77. The Court also suspended respondent's participation in any federally or state funded health insurance program for a period of eight years.

Having reviewed the entire record, including the judgment of conviction, the transcript of the plea and sentencing hearing, as well as the Medicaid debarment, it appears to the Board that these facts establish a basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (k), and warrant imposition of a substantial sanction. The Board is aware of and has considered the restitution and penalties that were assessed in connection with the civil and criminal actions. It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 8 DAY OF *May*, 2009,

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. Respondent's license to practice dentistry shall be and hereby is suspended effective June 12, 2009, for period of five (5) years, of which the first two years shall be served as a period of active suspension, and the remainder of the suspension shall be stayed and served as a period of probation.

2 Respondent is reprimanded for her actions, which constitute fraud and professional misconduct, as well as a violation of law and regulations administered by the

Board. Subsequent violations will subject respondent to enhanced penalties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

3. Prior to reinstatement of her license, respondent shall:

(a) fully attend and successfully complete the ProBE (Professional Problem Based Ethics) course offered by The Ethics Group, 89 Summit Avenue, Suite 185, Summit, New Jersey 07901, or the PRIME (Professional Renewal in Medicine through Ethics) course offered by the Center for Continuing Education in the Health Professions at UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, 97 Paterson Street, Room 124, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903, or another Board approved course addressing professional ethics. Documentation of full attendance and successful completion of the course shall be provided to the Board.

(b). take and pass the Law and Jurisprudence examination administered by the Board prior to resuming active practice in New Jersey.

(c) complete continuing education hours as required by N.J.A.C. 13:30-5.1 et seq.

(d) Pay all applicable licensing and reinstatement fees.

4. Upon return to active practice, respondent shall notify the Board of all locations at which she intends to practice. Respondent, at her sole expense, shall be subject to random audits of her charts during the period of probation. Respondent shall cooperate with representatives of the Board, including but not limited to, the Enforcement Bureau of the Division of Consumer Affairs, in connection with such audits.

5. Failure to comply with any of the terms of this consent order may result in activation of the stayed suspension as well as further disciplinary action as may be determined by the Board.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

By: Alex Hall DMD  
Alexander Hall, D.M.D.  
President

I have read and understand this Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. I consent to the entry of this Order.

Mitra Abdollahi  
Mitra Abdollahi, D.M.D.

4.27.09  
Date

I consent to the entry of this order as to form.

Richard Tanner  
Richard Tanner, Esq.

5-4-09  
Date