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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY  
EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE :  
SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF :  
THE LICENSE OF :  
  
NIKOLA KUZMANOVSKI, P.T. :  
LICENSE NO. 40QA01375100 :  
  
TO PRACTICE PHYSICAL THERAPY :  
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY :

Administrative Action  
  
FINAL ORDER  
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter came before the New Jersey State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners upon information that the respondent has failed to complete a total of thirty (30) credits of continuing education in approved physical therapy courses during the period of February 1, 2010 through January 31, 2012, as required for the 2012-2014 biennial license renewal pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-37.18 (a) 10 and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.1 et. seq. Based upon information received and which the Board has reviewed, the following preliminary findings are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a physical therapist in the State of New Jersey and has been a licensee at all times relevant hereto.

2. On December 2, 2011 the respondent submitted his completed application for renewal of license as a physical therapist in the State of New Jersey.

3. On the application, the respondent responded "no" to the question of "Will you have completed the required continuing education (CE) by January 31st, 2012?"

4. Respondent provided the Board with 15 CE credits taken after January 31, 2012. The Board applied these 15 CE credits to the 30 continuing education credit deficiency notwithstanding the fact that they were obtained after January 31, 2012.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent has not satisfied the requirements of N.J.S.A. 45:9-37.18 (a) 10 and N.J.A.C. 13:39A-9.1 et. seq. with regard to the completion of the appropriate number of approved continuing education credit hours and is therefore subject to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h), failure to comply with the provisions of an act or regulation administered by the Board, which constitutes grounds for suspension or revocation of any certificate, registration or license, and grounds for sanction pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

#### DISCUSSION

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline ("POD") was entered on February 12, 2013 and served upon the Respondent at the last known address by regular and certified mail.

The POD was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> business day following entry unless Respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Facts and Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting

forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting Respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

On March 28, 2013 a check in the amount of \$500.00 was received in full payment of the penalty imposed in the POD. The correspondence also reflected that the Respondent submitted proof of satisfactory completion of the fifteen outstanding continuing education credits.

**THEREFORE, IT IS ON THIS** *25<sup>th</sup>* **DAY OF** *November*, **2014**

**ORDERED that:**

1. Respondent paid the full amount of the civil penalty imposed in this matter in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

2. Respondent submitted proof of having completed the requisite thirty (30) hours of continuing education credits. Thus the 15 satisfactory continuing credits were submitted.

**These continuing education credits are NOT to be used to renew Respondent's license for the 2014-2016 renewal period.**

3. Respondent has met the conditions set forth in the POD and his license to practice physical remains active.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD  
OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

By: *Karen Wilk* *PT DPT 400A00560100*  
Karen Wilk, P.T., D.P.T.  
Chair

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