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Re: I/M/O Iqbal Ahmad, M.D.
License No. 25MA02645500

Dear Dr. Ahmad:

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-7.1, the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") must require physicians to obtain a certain number of Continuing Medical Education ("CME") credits as a condition for license renewal. By regulation (N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.15), for the 2007-2009 registration cycle, physicians and podiatrists were required to obtain at least 40 "Category 1" CME credits. Additionally, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-7.3, after 2005, physicians were required to undergo cultural competency training as a condition of license renewal. Under N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.25, for the 2007-2009 registration cycle physicians and podiatrists were required to document that they completed at least six hours of cultural competency training prior to June 30, 2009.

Please be advised by this letter that the Board has reviewed information concerning your compliance with these requirements. Specifically, the information included testimony you provided during an August 3, 2011 appearance before an investigative committee of the Board, as well as the license renewal questionnaire you submitted on or about May 4, 2009. Your August 2011 testimony indicates that you obtained none of the 40 required Category 1 CME credits and none of the six required hours of cultural competency training. Your questionnaire shows that you misstated that you would 1) obtain the required number of CME credits by June 30, 2009 and 2) that you would timely complete at least six hours of cultural competency training.

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Upon review of this information the Board finds that your failure to obtain the 40 required CME credits constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.15. The Board hereby issues a fine in the amount of \$2,000.00 for this violation. The Board also finds that your failure to timely complete six credits of cultural competency training constitutes a violation of N.J.S.A. 45:9-7.3 and fines you \$750.00 for this violation. Finally, the Board finds that the two above-described misstatements on your license renewal questionnaire constitute violations of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(a), (b) and (h), the statutes requiring Board licensees, as a condition of biennial licensure renewal, to truthfully certify satisfaction of the training requirement, to not engage in the use or employment of dishonesty, fraud, deception, misrepresentation, false promise or false pretense, and to comply with the provisions of acts and regulations administered by the Board. The Board hereby issues a fine in the amount of \$1,500.00 for this violation.

The Board has also found that this matter does not rise to the level of a censure or reprimand and that it is not connected to the delivery of health care services.

Based on the violations of statutes and regulations described above, the Board issues to you this Uniform Penalty Letter. You must sign the attached Certification and choose one of the three options noted below.

1) You may waive your rights to a hearing and pay a penalty in the amount of **\$4,250.00** within 45 days of receipt of this Uniform Penalty Letter.

2) You may waive your rights to a hearing but submit a written statement or explanation to the Board within 15 days. The Board will then consider your submission and render a final decision, which may include any of the terms set forth above.

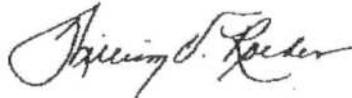
3) You may request a hearing. In the event that you request a hearing this letter will serve as notice of the charges against you and the hearing will be scheduled before a committee of the Board. At that hearing you may, either personally or with the assistance of an attorney, submit evidence and present testimony as may be necessary in order for the Board to make a final determination concerning the charges of unlawful activity. You should be aware that in making its final decision, the Board may, if unlawful activity has been proven, assess civil penalties in an amount greater than those described in this letter and/or impose discipline. Additionally, the Board may, if the facts are found to so warrant, enter an order requiring you to pay costs incurred by the Board, or may order such other remedies as it may deem appropriate.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact:

William Roeder
Executive Director
New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners
P.O. Box 183
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The **original** enclosed certification should be completed and returned to the Board within 45 days following your receipt of this letter. In the event that the Board receives no response from you within 45 days, you will be deemed in default and the allegations against you will be deemed uncontested. This Uniform Penalty Letter will then be considered "Final" and a certificate of debt may be entered against you. This matter will be reopened only on the basis of improper service. Additionally, once this Uniform Penalty Letter is considered "Final," your failure to comply with it may result in further action against your license.

New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners



By: _____
William V. Roeder
Executive Director

Certification

I, Iqbal Ahmad, M.D., holding license no. 25MA02645500, hereby acknowledge that I have read and reviewed the Board's Uniform Penalty Letter dated February 13, 2015, regarding allegations of violations of the Board's enabling act and/or regulations.

Please Check One:

_____ I acknowledge the conduct which has been charged and agree to pay a penalty in the amount of \$4,250.00 (to be paid upon signing of this certification).

I am also aware that the disciplinary action taken against me by the Board herein is a matter of public record, and that the Board's Uniform Penalty Letter and this certification are public documents. As a public disciplinary action, this matter will be reported to the New Jersey Physician Profile and the Federation of State Medical Boards Database. I am aware that this matter does not involve an action against my license such as a censure or reprimand. I am aware that this action is not connected to the delivery of health care services. I understand that this action is therefore not reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) and that no report of this action will be made to the NPDB.

_____ I hereby waive any rights I may have to a hearing in this matter to defend myself against any charges contained herein but ask the Board to consider my explanation before rendering its final decision. I understand that the Board may order any of the terms specified in its letter and that if it does I will be obligated to comply. I am also aware that the disciplinary action taken against me by the Board herein is a matter of public record, and that the Board's Uniform Penalty Letter and this Certification are public documents. As a public disciplinary action, this matter will be reported to the New Jersey Physician Profile and the Federation of State Medical Boards Database. I am aware that this matter does not involve an action against my license such as a censure or reprimand. I am aware that this action is not connected to the delivery of health care services. I understand that this action is therefore not reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) and that no report of this action will be made to the NPDB. Failure to comply with the Board's determination may subject me to further disciplinary action and any failure to make a required payment will result in the filing of a certificate of debt.

_____ I request a formal administrative hearing before a committee of the Board, (waiving my right to a hearing before the full Board)

to contest the charges specified in the Uniform Penalty Letter. I understand that I will be advised of the time, date and place for this requested hearing at another time. I am aware that I may be represented by an attorney and that at the time of the hearing, I may submit to the Board testimony and documentation relevant to the charges. I understand that in making its final decision, the Board may, if unlawful activity has been proven, assess civil penalties in an amount greater than what has been described in its Uniform Penalty Letter and may order such other remedies as it may deem appropriate including costs of proceedings and further discipline against my license. I am also aware that this proceeding is a matter of public record and that the Board's Uniform Penalty Letter and this Certification are public documents. In the event that the Board imposes fines and/or other discipline against my license, this disciplinary action would be a matter of public record and would be reportable to the New Jersey Physician Profile and the Federation of State Medical Boards Database. Only in the situation where discipline against my license includes action which is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB), such as censure, reprimand or suspension, would a report to the NPDB be made.

Signature: _____

Iqbal Ahmad, M.D., License no. 25MA02645500

Dated: _____
