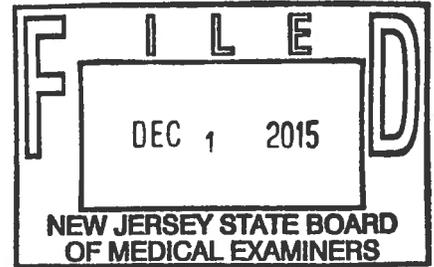


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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF AN INQUIRY INTO :
THE MEDICAL PRACTICE OF : Administrative Action
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Navrajan Kukreja, M.D. :
License No. 25MA06261100 : **CONSENT ORDER**
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon the appearance of Navrajan Kukreja, M.D., ("Respondent"), before the Board's Preliminary Evaluation Committee on April 2, 2015. Respondent appeared to discuss (1) his care and treatment of patient M.D. at Excel Surgery Center ("Excel"); (2) allegations that he facilitated the unlicensed practice of medicine while employed at Excel; (3) the Department of Health inspection of Excel, which resulted in multiple violations and citations; and (4) the termination of his temporary privileges at Chilton Medical Center in May 2014.

It appearing that there is good cause for the entry of this

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Order, and the Respondent voluntarily and the Board agreeing to the entry of this Order and agreeing to be bound by its terms,

THEREFORE, IT IS on this 1 day of December 2015,

ORDERED AND AGREED that:

1. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from the practice of medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey in any setting. This limitation shall specifically include, but shall not be limited to, the issuance of any prescription for, or the dispensation of, medications of any kind within the State of New Jersey, including, but not limited to, Controlled Dangerous Substances;

2. Respondent's prescription pads and all prescription drugs in his possession shall be secured in a safe and locked location that shall be reported to the Board office and to the Drug Control Unit;

3. Respondent shall, as promptly as feasible, undergo a full evaluation and assessment of his knowledge of, and competence to engage in, the practice of anesthesiology, and general practice ("Assessment") at the Upstate New York Clinical Competency Center of Albany Medical College in Albany, New York, or at some other Assessment Center acceptable to the Board's medical director. ("Assessment Center"). The Assessment shall occur on the first available date for an appointment after December 1, 2015. The Assessment and the Assessment Center's accompanying report(s) shall

be completed and provided to the Board within three months of the entry of this Order;

4. Within ten (10) business days of the entry of this Order, Respondent shall provide the Board and the Attorney General with documentation confirming the scheduling of the Assessment or requesting the alternative Assessment Center referenced in paragraph three (3) above;

5. The Board and the Attorney General shall have full and complete access to any communications between Respondent and the Assessment Center, and any reports, recommendations or evaluations issued by the Assessment Center or any consultant that the Assessment Center recommends, including, but not limited to, the release of the Assessment report, any medical or neuropsychological evaluations, and any reports with regard to professional education and practice restrictions, if any;

6. Respondent shall authorize the Assessment Center to provide copies of any recommendations, evaluations, or reports to the Board and the Attorney General simultaneously with their provision to Respondent. In addition, Respondent agrees that the Attorney General, the Board, and/or their designees, may communicate directly with the Assessment Center from time to time with regard to any aspect of Respondent's Assessment, and compliance with any recommendations or requirements made as a result of the Assessment;

7. The Attorney General and/or the Board may provide to the Assessment Center whatever information they may possess regarding the Respondent, including, but not limited to, the transcript of Respondent's April 1, 2015 appearance before the Preliminary Evaluation Committee of the Board;

8. Any recommendations, evaluations, or reports issued by the Assessment Center may be introduced as a matter of public record during the course of future disciplinary proceedings, if any;

9. Respondent shall be solely responsible for any and all costs associated with his participation in any evaluation or assessment by the Assessment Center, and Respondent's compliance with any recommendations made by the Assessment Center;

10. Respondent shall fully and satisfactorily complete any and all recommendations the Assessment Center may make, including, but not limited to, recommendations regarding additional evaluations, practice restrictions and professional education;

11. Should the Assessment Center determine any professional deficiencies exist or that Respondent lacks the knowledge and/or ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety, Respondent hereby agrees and acknowledges that the Board, when assessing any petition that the Respondent may file seeking permission to resume the practice of medicine in accordance with paragraph twelve (12) of this Order, may limit Respondent's license

to practice medicine in accordance with any and all deficiencies identified by the Assessment Center until such deficiencies are remediated and proof of remediation has been provided to the Attorney General and to the Board;

12. Upon the completion of the Assessment, Respondent shall be scheduled to appear before the Board, or a committee thereof, to discuss the Assessment and his return to practice. The Board may impose restrictions on his return to practice, including, but not limited to, the full, complete, timely, and continued satisfaction of any and all recommendations made by the Assessment Center for evaluation, professional education, and/or practice restrictions;

13. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order or the Assessment Center's recommendations or requirements with regard to evaluation, practice restrictions or education shall constitute a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, and shall be deemed professional misconduct within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e);

14. In the event that the Respondent fails to comply with the terms of this Order or any of the Assessment Center's recommendations or requirements, the Attorney General or the Board may commence a disciplinary proceeding seeking, among other things, the suspension or revocation of Respondent's license to practice medicine and surgery in New Jersey;

15. Respondent shall comply with the applicable portions of the attached Directives, if any. The Directives are incorporated

herein by reference;

16. This Order is entered without admission of any wrongdoing by Respondent and without prejudice to any further investigation or prosecution of this or any matter by the Board, the Attorney General or any other governmental or law enforcement entity against Respondent.

17. This Order shall not be deemed disciplinary, and, therefore, shall not be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and shall not be posted on Respondent's Physician Profile.

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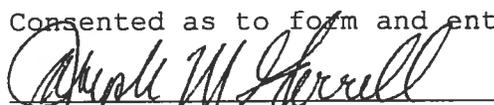


Karen Criss, R.N., C.N.M.
Vice President

I have read the Order. I understand and agree to be bound by its terms.


Navrajan Kukreja, M.D.

Dated: Dec-01-2015

Consented as to form and entry

Joseph Gorrell, Esq.
Attorney for Respondent

Dated: 12/1/15

**NOTICE OF REPORTING PRACTICES OF BOARD
REGARDING DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS**

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-3(3), all orders of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners are available for public inspection. Should any inquiry be made concerning the status of a licensee, the inquirer will be informed of the existence of the order and a copy will be provided if requested. All evidentiary hearings, proceedings on motions or other applications which are conducted as public hearings and the record, including the transcript and documents marked in evidence, are available for public inspection, upon request.

Pursuant to 45 CFR Subtitle A 60.8, the Board is obligated to report to the National Practitioners Data Bank any action relating to a physician which is based on reasons relating to professional competence or professional conduct:

- (1) Which revokes or suspends (or otherwise restricts) a license,
- (2) Which censures, reprimands or places on probation,
- (3) Under which a license is surrendered.

Pursuant to 45 CFR Section 61.7, the Board is obligated to report to the Healthcare Integrity and Protection (HIP) Data Bank, any formal or official actions, such as revocation or suspension of a license (and the length of any such suspension), reprimand, censure or probation or any other loss of license or the right to apply for, or renew, a license of the provider, supplier, or practitioner, whether by operation of law, voluntary surrender, non-renewability, or otherwise, or any other negative action or finding by such Federal or State agency that is publicly available information.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-19.13, if the Board refuses to issue, suspends, revokes or otherwise places conditions on a license or permit, it is obligated to notify each licensed health care facility and health maintenance organization with which a licensee is affiliated and every other board licensee in this state with whom he or she is directly associated in private medical practice.

In accordance with an agreement with the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, a list of all disciplinary orders are provided to that organization on a monthly basis.

Within the month following entry of an order, a summary of the order will appear on the public agenda for the next monthly Board meeting and is forwarded to those members of the public requesting a copy. In addition, the same summary will appear in the minutes of that Board meeting, which are also made available to those requesting a copy.

Within the month following entry of an order, a summary of the order will appear in a Monthly Disciplinary Action Listing which is made available to those members of the public requesting a copy.

On a periodic basis the Board disseminates to its licensees a newsletter which includes a brief description of all of the orders entered by the Board.

From time to time, the Press Office of the Division of Consumer Affairs may issue releases including the summaries of the content of public orders.

Nothing herein is intended in any way to limit the Board, the Division or the Attorney General from disclosing any public document.