



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

In the matter of:

VITO MAZZOCOLI, M.D.

ORDER OF UNRESTRICTED
LICENSURE

This matter was reopened before the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners upon receipt of a petition from respondent Vito Mazzocoli, M.D., for the discontinuation of all conditions imposed in a Consent Order filed October 10, 2013. Within that Order, Dr. Mazzocoli was: (1) reprimanded for having engaged in inappropriate physical contact with a hospital employee, (2) required to enroll in the Professional Assistance Program of New Jersey (the "PAP"), (3) submit to a psychological evaluation to be conducted by the PAP and fully comply with all recommendations that might result from the psychological evaluation, (4) enroll in and successfully complete a Board approved course in boundary violations, and (5) pay costs in the amount of \$3500.

Dr. Mazzocoli appeared, *pro se*, before a Preliminary Evaluation Committee of the Board on May 6, 2015 and then offered testimony in support of his petition. Louis Baxter, M.D., Executive Medical Director of the PAP, appeared with Dr. Mazzocoli

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and also offered testimony regarding Dr. Mazzoccoli's participation with the PAP.

Upon review of available information, the Board finds that Dr. Mazzoccoli has fully complied with all conditions imposed in the October 2013 Order. Dr. Mazzoccoli has fully participated with the PAP as required by the Order. He submitted to a psychosexual evaluation conducted by Philip H. Witt, Ph.D., on June 26, 2013,¹ and a psychological and functional assessment evaluation by Tia Baxter, MA, LAC, NCC, concluded on February 27, 2014. Neither Dr. Witt nor Ms. Baxter made any psychological diagnoses or findings, nor did either Dr. Witt or Ms. Baxter make any recommendations for additional evaluations or treatment at this time.² Dr. Mazzoccoli attended and successfully completed the PRIM-E course in August 2013,³ and has paid assessed costs.

In a written position statement and in testimony offered by Dr. Baxter, the PAP formally supported Dr. Mazzoccoli's request

¹ Dr. Witt's evaluation was conducted in advance of the filing date of the Consent Order, as Dr. Mazzoccoli commenced activities to comply with the anticipated requirements of the Order -- to include enrolling in the PAP and submitting to a psychological evaluation -- prior to the actual entry of the Order by the Board.

² The reports prepared by Dr. Witt and Ms. Baxter are cited herein for the limited purpose of demonstrating that Dr. Mazzoccoli fully complied with the requirements of paragraph 2 of the October 13, 2013 Order. The two reports are, in all other respects, considered to be fully confidential documents.

³ Dr. Mazzoccoli secured Board approval to attend the PRIM-E course in advance of the entry date of the Consent Order, and obtained a passing grade in the course.

for discontinuation of any continued requirement that he be followed by or participate with the PAP at this time. The Board being satisfied, based on the findings set forth above and upon consideration of the recommendations made by the PAP, that good cause exists to presently grant respondent's petition for discontinuation of all requirements of the prior Consent Order,

IT IS on this **22nd** day of December 2015:

ORDERED:

The license of Vito Mazzoccoli, M.D., to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey is restored to unrestricted status. All previous conditions set forth in the Board Consent Order filed on October 13, 2013, are deemed to have been satisfied and are discontinued.

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By:



Stewart A. Berkowitz, M.D.
Board President