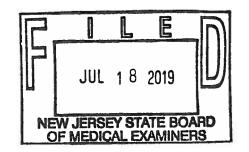
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
DRUG CONTROL UNIT

IN THE MATTER OF:

NAJAM U. KAZMI, MD License No. 25MA03165600 NJ CDS Registration No. D03133900 Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF NEW JERSEY CDS REGISTRATION

This matter was opened to Paul R. Rodríguez, Acting Director of the New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs (the "Director") in or about March 2018, upon receipt of information regarding the prescribing habits of Najam Kazmi, M.D., Board License No. 25MA03165600, New Jersey Controlled Dangerous Substances ("CDS") Registration No. D03133900 ("Respondent"). It is alleged Respondent was engaged in the prescribing of CDS without legitimate medical purpose in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:45H-7.4 which provides the basis under N.J.S.A. 24:21-12(a)(3) for the Director to suspend or revoke Respondent's New Jersey CDS registration.

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The Division of Consumer Affairs, Enforcement Bureau, conducted an investigation of Respondent's medical offices on or about August 14, 2018. During this inspection the Enforcement Bureau discovered multiple patient medical records that included blank pages, despite those patients having received prescriptions for CDS following a visits on those days. Respondent appeared before a Preliminary Evaluation Committee of the Board on June 26, 2019 and testified regarding his practice of medicine. Respondent continues to prescribe high doses of pain medication to his patients, sometimes in dosages resulting in Morphine Milligram Equivalents (MME) as high as 270 MME per day.

Respondent having been advised that he may consult legal counsel before signing this Order, and having chosen to voluntarily enter into this Order does not admit the conduct alleged, but has expressed his consent to the temporary suspension of his New Jersey CDS Registration pending further order of the Director.

The Director, finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and other good cause having been shown,

IT IS, therefore, on this 18 day of July, 2019, ORDERED THAT:

- Respondent's New Jersey CDS Registration, No. D03133900, is temporarily suspended pending further order of the Director.
- 2. Respondent shall immediately return his original New Jersey CDS Registration to Dana Pulizzano, Acting Director, Enforcement Bureau Drug Control Unit, P.O. Box 45022, Newark, New Jersey 07101 and shall immediately cease and desist from prescribing or dispensing any CDS.
- 3. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:12-(e), Respondent shall immediately place under seal all prescription pads and any and all CDS in his possession, except for any CDS that Respondent possesses for his personal use pursuant to a duly issued prescription. Respondent's prescription pads and CDS shall remain under seal until such time that a subsequent order which includes the disposition of these sealed items is entered by the Director.
- 4. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:21-12(f), the Director shall promptly notify the DEA of the entry of this Interim Consent Order.
- 5. This Order is independent of, and not in lieu of, proceedings that have been or may be brought on behalf of or by the DEA and the resolution of such DEA matters will not resolve any matter which has, or could, be

brought before the State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") or the Director.

- 6. The entry of this Order is without prejudice to the filing of an Administrative Complaint and/or further investigation and/or action by the Board, the Director or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct.
- 7. This Order shall remain in effect until specifically modified by the Director through the entry of a subsequent order(s).
- 8. Respondent may apply to the Director to request a hearing for modification of the terms of this Order. If Respondent requests a hearing to modify this Order, the Director shall convene a hearing within forty-five (45) days of Respondent's request to determine whether the restraints in the Order should continue under the requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 24:21-12.

NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

By:

Paul R. Rodrigue Acting Director I represent that I have carefully read and considered this Order, understand its terms, agree to comply with said terms and consent to the entry of this Order by the Board. I am aware that this Order has serious legal consequences and I have decided to enter into the Order without Counsel.

Najam U. Kazmi, M.D.

Witness:

Apol Amisson

Dated:

Witness:

Walter Marriages

Dated: 7/8/19

## Check List Notice to NJ Medical Board Licensee/CDS Registrant

I have been advised that I may consult with an attorney prior to signing the attached Order.

I have been advised that the investigator who provided the attached Order works for the State of New Jersey and although he/she may be assisting me his/her interests lie with the State.

I have been advised that the attached Order is a civil Order regarding my NJ medical license and/or NJ CDS Registration and has no impact on any other matter.

I have been advised that the attached Order is a public disciplinary Order which may be reported to databases and made available upon request.

I have read and understand the attached Order.

No one has coerced me to sign the attached Order, which I have signed of my own free will.