

## IN THE MATTER OF:

Vinson DiSanto, D.O. License Number DO 00677 BMLD Case Number C170970

## CONSENT ORDER

The Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter "Board") has reviewed and investigated the above referenced complaint pertaining to Dr. Vinson DiSanto (hereinafter "Respondent") through its Investigative Committee. Respondent has been a licensed physician in the State of Rhode Island since July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Respondent does not maintain a practice site in Rhode Island and reports he is employed by Spectrum HR. Respondent's primary specialty is Family Medicine and reports his office is in Miami, Florida.

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent has been a licensed physician in the State of Rhode Island since July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- 2. Respondent entered into a Stipulation and Order with the Idaho State Board of Medicine regarding Case No BOM-2016-789, ratified May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The circumstances of this action included Respondent having an office in Miami, Florida. Respondent did not have an Idaho business address. Respondent had contacted patients via email as well as treated several patients in Idaho via telephone with prescriptions for testosterone replacement hormone, which is a controlled substance.
- 3. Respondent was reprimanded for this action and agreed to remit \$1425 for administrative

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costs and a fine of \$1000 to the Idaho Board. Respondent also agreed to fully comply with the requirements of the Idaho Telehealth Access Act, not to prescribe any controlled substance through telehealth services to Idaho patients, as well as comply with all applicable DEA and Idaho Board of pharmacy laws.

4. Respondent has violated Rhode Island General Laws §5-37-5.1(21) "Surrender, revocation, suspension, limitation of privilege based on quality of care provided, or any other disciplinary action against a license or authorization to practice medicine in another state or jurisdiction; or surrender, revocation, suspension, or any other disciplinary action relating to a membership on any medical staff or in any medical or professional association or society while under disciplinary investigation by any of those authorities or bodies for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for action as described in this chapter".

# Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

- Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- Respondent has agreed to this Consent Order and understands that it is subject to final approval of the Board, and this Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.
- 3. If ratified by the Board, Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
  - a. The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
  - b. The right to produce witnesses and evidence on his behalf at a hearing;
  - c. The right to cross examine witnesses;
  - d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;

- e. The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
- f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order; and
- g. Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for consideration and review.
- h. Any objection that this Consent Order will be reported to the National Practitioner Date Bank, Federation of State Medical Boards as well as posted on the department's public web site.
- 4. Respondent agrees to pay within (60) days of the ratification of this Consent Order an administrative fee to the Board with a check for \$850.00 dollars made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer for costs associated with investigating the above-referenced complaint.
- Respondent hereby agrees to this reprimand on his physician license.
- 6. If Respondent violates any term of this Consent Order, after it is signed and accepted, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to impose further disciplinary action including immediate suspension. If the Director imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent shall be given notice and shall have the right to request an administrative hearing within twenty (20) days of the suspension and/or further discipline. The Director of the Department of Health shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. After hearing thereon, the Board may suspend Respondent's license, or impose further discipline, for the remainder of Respondent's licensing period if the alleged violation is proven by a preponderance of evidence.

Signed this 18 day of Descaler, 2017.

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Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the Odday of Jaway 2018

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