State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Department of Health Board of Medical Licensure & Discipline



IN THE MATTER OF:

Francesco Lupis M.D. License Number MD 14486 Case # C16-1358

CONSENT ORDER

Francesco Lupis, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter the "Board") makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is a licensed physician in Rhode Island and was issued his license on December 11, 2013. His primary specialty is internal medicine.
- 2. The Board received a report C16-1358 regarding disciplinary action from the State of Connecticut, Department of Public Health, Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch.
- 3. In the Connecticut action Respondent attended "Patient A" (alias) in an urgent care center and treated Patient A for a hand laceration. Respondent did not diagnose an extensor tendon laceration. Based on the aforementioned facts, Respondent entered into a Consent Order with Connecticut, which included a reprimand, probation and CME.
- 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:

- 1. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board.
- 2. Respondent has agreed to this Consent Order and understands that it is subject to final approval of the Board.
- This Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Respondent agrees to pay within (60) days of the ratification of this Consent Order an administrative fee to the Board with a check for \$650 dollars made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer for costs associated with investigating the above-referenced complaint.
- 6. Respondent hereby agrees to this reprimand on his physician license.
- 7. Respondent has successfully completed CME already satisfactory to jurisdiction of original complaint.
- 8. In the event that any term of this Consent Order is violated, after it is signed and ratified by the Board, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to impose further disciplinary action. If the Director imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent has the right to request an administrative hearing within twenty (20) of said disciplinary action. 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. The Hearing Panel of 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 24 day of April 2017. Francesco Lupis, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the day of 32/7 2017.

Nicole Alexander-Scott, M.D., M.P.H.

Director

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