State of Rhode Island Department of Health Board of Medical Licensure & Discipline



IN THE MATTER OF: MANISH DESAI M.D. License Number MD 06391 Case # C16-885A

CONSENT ORDER

Manish Desai, 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. Manish B. Desai, M.D. ("Respondent") has been a licensed physician in Rhode Island since 1984, a period of 32 years. Since 1986, a period of 30 years, he has served in various capacities at Eleanor Slater Hospital, including that of Physician Administrator, acting Assistant Medical Director and Interim Medical Director.
- 2. The Board received a report C16-885A regarding Patient A (alias) regarding care received while under the care of the Respondent. Patient A was diagnosed with pancreatitis and was treated inpatient at Kent County Memorial Hospital three weeks prior. Before returning to his residential unit, Patient A spent two weeks on a medical unit rehabilitating. He was then transferred to his residential unit in stable condition.
- 3. Patient A was evaluated by Respondent who documented his evaluation in the medical

record. Respondent did note the patient had tachycardia at rest and orthostatic hypotension.

Respondent concluded Patient A was volume depleted and ordered oral rehydration therapy for the patient. Respondent did not re-evaluate patient during the remainder of his shift.

Patient A's condition subsequently deteriorated during the next shift.

- 4. The Board found that Respondents medical records lacked adequate detail and that Respondent did not reassess Patient A in a timely manner.
- 5. Based on the foregoing, Respondent is in civil violation of Rhode Island Rules and Regulations for Licensure and Discipline of Physicians §11.4 for failure to create medical records that are consistent with the minimum standard and §5-37-5.1(19), R.I.G.L., as amended for failing to conform to the minimum standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice.

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, 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 \$650 dollars made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer for costs associated with investigating the above-referenced complaint.
- 5. Respondent hereby agrees to a Reprimand based on the aforementioned facts.
- 6. Respondent agrees to take twenty (20) additional hours of Board approved CME within 6 months of ratification this order, including recordkeeping, medical charting and assessing and recognizing medical conditions.
- 7. In the event that any term of this Consent Order is violated, after it is signed and accepted, Respondent may be subject to further disciplinary action.

Signed this 1 day of March, 2017.

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Manish Desai, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 8th day of March 2017.

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