

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



IN THE MATTER OF:
Vinson DiSanto, D.O.
License Number DO 00677
BMLD Case Number 19-0486

**SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF PHYSICIAN LICENSE
AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE REGISTRATION**

The Director of Health (hereafter "Director") has reviewed information received in a complaint concerning the professional activities of Vinson DiSanto, M.D. (hereafter "Respondent") a licensed physician in Rhode Island since July 5, 2011, who does not maintain a practice site in Rhode Island. Respondent reports he is employed by Spectrum HR, has a primary specialty in Family Medicine and his office is in Miami, Florida. Based on a review of the information contained in the complaint and Respondent's prior disciplinary history with the Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereafter "Board") the Director makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent has a previous disciplinary action in Rhode Island based on facts and circumstances in case 170970 and resolved by a Consent Order ratified by the Board on January 10, 2018.
2. Respondent was investigated by the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure Case number 1900 filed 3/19/2019 based on allegations stemming from a prior action in Idaho and inappropriate telemedicine.
3. The Kentucky Board investigation included a review of medical records of 4 patients in

Kentucky who were prescribed controlled substances in Kentucky, although Respondent was in another jurisdiction. This evaluation included an opinion from an expert who had reason to question the overall competence of Respondent.

4. The Kentucky Board entered into an agreement in November of 2018 to have Respondent's clinical skills assessed by the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians (CPEP) as to Respondent's overall competence.
5. The Kentucky Board subsequently suspended Respondent's Kentucky license effective March 19, 2019 based on the CPEP report.
6. The Board became aware of the Kentucky action April 23, 2019 via notification from the Federation of State Medical Boards.
7. The CPEP report concluded that Respondent's "*...overall knowledge and judgment in the broad scope of general family medicine was outdated and in need of updating and review and opined that these needs would best be addressed through remediation in a formal educational setting such as residency, fellowship or residency-like setting. According to CPEP, this level of recommendation indicates that it would not be safe for this physician to practice independently while attempting to remediate the noted deficiencies. In addition, CPEP found the licensee's knowledge and judgment in his focus area of male hypogonadism (adult hormone deficiency) to be inadequate; that the level of educational needs in this area would require oversight and supervision; and recommended that remediation in his focus area of adult hormone deficiency be addressed after remediation of foundational knowledge in his primary specialty, family medicine.*"
8. Based on a review of the entire action by the Kentucky Board, the CPEP report concluded there were global deficiencies in the practice of medicine and Respondent was unsafe to practice.
9. Respondent violated Rhode Island General Law § (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*

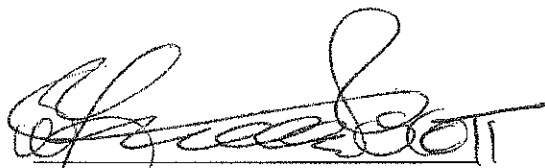
association or society while under disciplinary investigation by any of those authorities or bodies for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct which would constitute grounds for action as described in this chapter;

10. The continuation of the physician license and controlled substance registration of Vinson DiSanto D.O. constitutes an immediate danger to the health, welfare and safety of the public.

ORDER

- A. Respondent's license to practice medicine in Rhode Island, and the controlled substance registration to prescribe controlled substances are hereby suspended forthwith pursuant to RIGL§42-35-14 (C), §5-37-8, §21-28-3.04 (a) (2) and §5-37-5.1 (19).
- B. Respondent is required to ensure appropriate continuity of care for his patients including appropriate referral to qualified health professionals. Respondent shall make certain medical records are available to patients who need them for continuity of care.
- C. Respondent is entitled to a hearing in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws §§ 42-35-14 (c), 5-37-8 and 21-28-3.05.

Signed this 25th day of April 2019



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