



**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
DIVISION OF PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE,
INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
CENTER FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

**In the Matter of:
WILLIAM LABARRE
LICENSE NUMBER EMT08018
COMPLAINT NO. C22-1129**

CONSENT ORDER

William LaBarre (“Respondent”) is licensed as an Emergency Medical Technician-Cardiac pursuant to R. I. Gen. Laws §§ 23-4.1-1 *et seq.* and 216-RICR-20-10-2, the Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Screening, Medical Services, and Reporting for Emergency Medical Services. After review and consideration, the Rhode Island Department of Health, Division of Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease and Emergency Medical Services, Center for Emergency Medical Services (“RIDOH”), makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was licensed as an emergency medical technician-cardiac, EMT License No. EMT08018, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 23-4.1-8 and 216-RICR-20-10 2.5(A)(B)(C) and (D).
2. On or about August 8, 2022, while Respondent was inside a rescue vehicle attending to a patient under arrest (“Patient”), he was repeatedly kicked by the Patient. According to witnesses, Respondent struck the Patient’s leg with a closed fist. The Patient kicked Respondent with such force that surveillance video shows him flying out the back of the Rescue and landing on his back. Respondent suffered injuries as a result of the assault by the Patient.
3. According to a witness, after Respondent was kicked, he stated that he was going to kill the patient. Respondent denies the allegation.
4. The conduct described in paragraphs two and three above constitutes unprofessional conduct in violation of R.I. Gen. Laws § 22-4.1-9 and 216-RICR-20-10-2.5(E) and (G).
5. That the Director of RIDOH signed Compliance Order suspending the License on September 19, 2022, based on the events described herein.

6. That Respondent voluntarily engaged in counseling sessions for anger management from October 24, 2022 to 11/28/2022.
7. That Respondent voluntarily completed two Patient's Rights courses in December 2022.
8. That Respondent voluntarily completed two de-escalation courses in December 2022
9. That Respondent admits to, and hereby agrees to remain under, the jurisdiction of RIDOH.
10. That Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that the purpose of this Consent Order is solely to resolve the complaint of unprofessional conduct alleged against the Respondent.
11. This Consent Order is an agreement between RIDOH and Respondent; and any failure to adhere to the terms and conditions of this Consent Order may constitute unprofessional conduct and may subject Respondent to further disciplinary action at the discretion of RIDOH, including but not limited to Suspension or Revocation.
12. That Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - (a) The right to have an administrative hearing on this matter;
 - (b) The right to represent himself or be represented by an attorney of his own choosing at said hearing;
 - (c) The right to present testimony, evidence and witnesses on his behalf;
 - (d) The right to cross-examine witnesses presented by RIDOH;
 - (e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - (f) The right to take an appeal from this Consent Order; and
 - (g) Any objection that this Consent Order may be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank, become a permanent part of Respondent's record maintained by RIDOH and a part of a public record of this proceeding, or posted on RIDOH's public website.

ACCORDINGLY, AND BASED ON THE FOREGOING

RIDOH and Respondent hereby agree as flows:

Respondent's EMT license shall be reinstated with the status of "Probation" for a period of 6 months, on the date of ratification of this Consent Order by RIDOH.

While on Probation, Respondent must:

- (1) Complete a comprehensive review of the following *Rhode Island Statewide Emergency Medical Services Protocols* conducted by a licensed Instructor/Coordinator approved by RIDOH:
 - a. 6.06 Patient in Police Custody
 - b. 2.09 Behavioral Emergencies
 - c. 7.46 Procedure-Patient Restraint; and

(2) During the period of probation, Respondent's employers, including the Chief of the licensed Ambulance Service(s) for which he is employed and/or serves as a volunteer, shall submit to the Department reports every three (3) months relating to the Respondent's conduct and performance. It shall be the responsibility of Respondent to ensure said reports are submitted.

(3) During the period of probation, if Respondent changes employment and/or volunteer service, Respondent shall notify the Department forthwith of said change including the name and address of the new employer(s) and/or licensed ambulance service, as well as the reason for change in ambulance service affiliation.

(4) A copy of this Consent Order shall be forwarded by the Department to Respondent's current employer(s) and/or volunteer service and all future employer(s) and/or volunteer service during the period of probation.

Upon proof of successful completion of items (1) through (3) above, Respondent may apply to RIDOH for relief from Probation and a return to Active status. If Respondent has not committed any action in violation of the RI state law that could impact his license, RIDOH will return his license to Active status.

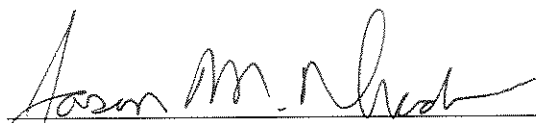
Nothing herein shall affect any other license currently held by Respondent.

Signed this 12th day of December, 2022.



WILLIAM LABARRE
LICENSEE NO.: EMT08018

Ratified this 12th day of December, 2022.



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