RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF:

Brigg Barsness, M.D.

License No.: MD19107

Complaint No.: C24-0206

**CONSENT ORDER** 

The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline ("Board") makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Brigg Barsness, M.D. ("Respondent") has been licensed to practice medicine in

the State of Rhode Island since February 15, 2023.

2. On January 3, 2024, Respondent and the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure

agreed upon the entry of an order relating to Respondent's December 22, 2022 application to

practice medicine in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in which Respondent failed to disclose a

previous investigation by the State of Wisconsin in 2014 with the entry of a Consent Order on

August 8, 2014. As a result, the Commonwealth of Kentucky found that Respondent violated

Kentucky law, KRS 33.595(17). Respondent's application for a license to practice medicine in

Kentucky was granted, with the payment of a \$1,000 fine. Respondent self-reported the

Kentucky action to the Board on February 26, 2024.

3. The Investigative Committee of the Board met on March 27, 2024, and, in

consideration of the actions taken against Respondent by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, found

that Respondent violated R.I. Gen. Laws § 37-5-5.1(21) which states, in pertinent part, that any

"disciplinary action against a license or authorization to practice medicine in another state"

constitutes unprofessional conduct.

Based upon the foregoing, the Parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to and agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

- 2. Respondent agrees to this Consent Order and understands that it is subject to final approval by the Board and is not binding on Respondent until final ratification.
  - 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 reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Federation of State Medical Boards and posted to the RI DOH public website.
- 4. Respondent is hereby issued a reprimand upon his Rhode Island license and shall pay administrative fees in the amount of \$1,100.00. The administrative fees must be paid within six (6) months of the ratification of this Consent Order and shall be made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer, and delivered to the Rhode Island Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 205, Providence, RI 02908, Attn. Jessica DeSanto. Respondent will send notice of compliance of this condition to <a href="mailto:DOH.PRCompliance@health.ri.gov">DOH.PRCompliance@health.ri.gov</a> within thirty (30) days of submitting the above-referenced payment.
- 5. In the event that any term of this Consent Order is violated, after ratification and approval, the Board or its Director shall have the discretion to impose further disciplinary action pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 5-37-5.1 through 5-37-6.3. If the Board or its 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 further

discipline. The Board or its Director shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. Any administrative hearings, whether initiated by the Board or the Respondent, shall be conducted in accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 5-37-5.1 through 5-37-6.3 or R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 5-37-8 and 42-35-14(c), the Rules and Regulations for the Licensure and Discipline of Physicians (216-RICR-40-05-1), the Rules and Regulations for Practices and Procedures Before the Rhode Island Department of Health (216-RICR-10-05-4), and applicable provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws Chapter 42-35-1 et seq.

As Assented to and Signed this 15 TH day of JUNE 2024.	
Brigg Barsness, M.D.	
Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the day of	
<u>July</u> 2024.	
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Chief Administrative Officer

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