

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



IN THE MATTER OF:
Erik Purins M.D.
License Number M.D. 07641
Case # 13-207, C16-002

AMENDED CONSENT ORDER

Erik Purins, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. After review of the above referenced complaints, the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter the "Board") makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent has been a licensed physician in the State of Rhode Island since October 4th, 1989. His practice was located at 340 Main Street, Worcester, Massachusetts. He is a 1985 graduate of the Wayne State School of Medicine.
2. Respondent's practice was restricted to medical record reviews for disability claims. Respondent did not examine patients or prescribe medications.
3. Respondent entered into a consent order with the Board, resolving the above complaints on June 8th, 2016.
4. The ratified order of June 8th, 2016 contained specific requirements that Respondent agreed to including: *"In the event that any conditions of this Consent Order are violated after it is ratified, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to*

impose disciplinary action, including summary suspension of Respondent's license to practice medicine in the state of Rhode Island"

5. Respondent contacted the Board on January 16th, 2019 and self-reported he had violated the terms of the previously ratified consent order surrounding events that occurred January 6th, 2019 and a relapse of the underlying condition.
6. Respondent Voluntarily Surrendered his license January 24th, 2019 based on the admitted violation of the previously ratified consent order.
7. Respondent has demonstrated substantial evidence of remediation since he surrendered his license. Respondent has met with and been evaluated by the Rhode Island Medical Society Physicians Health Program and they have supported the reinstatement of his license. Respondent did appear before the Investigative Committee of the Board on April 4th, 2019 and gave a full accounting of the facts and circumstances that lead to the violation of the previously ratified consent order.
8. Respondent admits he has violated the terms of the previously ratified consent order and is in violation of § RIGL-5-37-5.1 (24) *Violating any provision or provisions of this chapter or the rules and regulations of the board or any rules or regulations promulgated by the director or of an action, stipulation, or agreement of the board;*

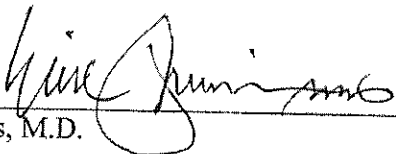
Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

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.
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 Data Bank, Federation of State Medical Boards as well as posted on the department's public web site.
4. Respondent accepts a reprimand on his physician license.
 5. Respondent will follow the recommendations of the Physicians Health Program.
 6. Respondent's license to practice medicine is hereby reinstated with the following restrictions; limited to disability evaluations and medical record reviews. Respondent will not treat, examine nor prescribe to any patient.
 7. Respondent agrees to pay an administrative fee within 60 days of ratification of this order of \$650, payable to the Rhode Island General Treasury.
 8. In the event that any term of this Consent Order is violated, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to impose further disciplinary action, including immediate suspension. If the Director imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent shall be given notice and shall have the right to

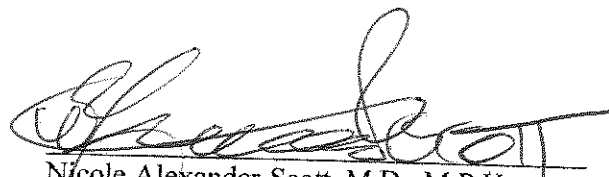
request an administrative hearing within twenty (20) days of the suspension and/or further discipline. The Director of the Department of Health shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. The Board may 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 05 day of April, 2019.



Erik Purins, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 10th day of April 2019.



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