

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



**IN THE MATTER OF:  
Suraj Ram M.D.**

**CONSENT ORDER**

Suraj Ram, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") has applied for a license to practice medicine in Rhode Island.

Respondent was granted a California license in 2013 under certificate A 124447. Respondent is a 2008 graduate of Boston University School of Medicine. Respondent completed his internship at David Grant Medical Center at Travis Air Force Base in 2009. Respondent served in the United States Air Force as a Flight Surgeon until 2013. As a Flight Surgeon Respondent was deployed to forward areas several times and did sustain injuries consequent to these deployments. Respondent was Honorably Discharged from Active Duty in June of 2013. Respondent subsequently completed 2 years of residency training in Anesthesiology 2013 to 2015 at University of California Davis. Respondent did not complete his residency in Anesthesiology due to a disciplinary matter addressed by the Medical Board of California. Respondent admitted to the underlying allegations in the California Disciplinary Order and Respondent subsequently agreed to a Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, on December 7th, 2016. This order required 6 years of probation and specific conditions of monitoring relevant to the underlying matter.

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

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Respondent graduated from Boston University School of Medicine in 2013.
2. Respondent has applied for a license in Rhode Island and has presented substantial evidence of remediation from the underlying violation.
3. Respondent has been monitored as agreed to in California and has upon moving to Rhode Island transferred his monitoring, as well as monitoring results, to the Rhode Island Physician Health Program.
4. Respondent was evaluated by the Rhode Island Physician Health Program and has agreed to follow their recommendations as well as a 5-year monitoring agreement.

#### **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. Respondent admits that if the same facts and circumstances occurred in Rhode Island as did in California from the underlying matter, it would be a violation of Rhode Island General Law 5-37-5 and would be cause for reciprocal discipline.
4. 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;

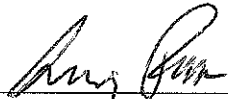
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- c. The right to cross examine witnesses;
  - d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
  - e. The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
  - f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order; 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.
5. Respondent agrees to pay an administrative fee to the Board for costs associating with investigating this application. Respondent shall submit to the Board within sixty (60) days of ratification of this order, a check made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasury in the amount of \$850.00.
6. Respondent agrees to probation until December 31, 2022. If Respondent successfully completes this term without incident, the probation will terminate on December 31, 2022, without further order of the Board.
7. Respondent agrees that if he is granted a controlled substance registration, he will review the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program prior to prescribing any controlled substance.
8. Respondent agrees to remain enrolled in a physician health program in Rhode Island for the next 5 years and follow their recommendations. Respondent understands if there is any violation of his agreement with the Rhode Island Physician Health Program (PHP), the PHP will notify the Board immediately.

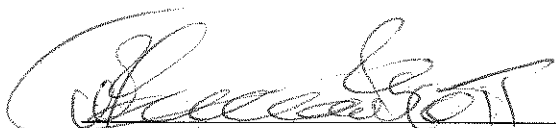
9. If any term of this Consent Order is violated, after signed and accepted, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to summarily suspend the Respondent's license and/or impose further disciplinary action. If the Director suspends the license and/or imposes further disciplinary 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 the Petitioner of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. The Board may suspend Petitioner's license, or impose further discipline, for the remainder of Petitioner's licensing period if the alleged violation is proven by a preponderance of evidence.

10. The Respondent's license shall be unrestricted, subject to full compliance and faithful adherence to the conditions established and approved herein by the Board.

Signed this 9 day of October, 2016.

  
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Suraj Ram, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 11th day of October 2017.

  
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