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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
LAUREL B. MARK, M.D., :
RESPONDENT. : **ORDER 0002211**

Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 12 MED 012

The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Laurel B. Mark, M.D.
3404 Cross
Madison, WI 53711

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Medical Examining Board (Board). The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Laurel B. Mark, M.D., (dob August 21, 1950) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 20-24720, first issued on July 2, 1982 and current through October 31, 2013. Dr. Mark's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 3404 Cross, Madison, Wisconsin 53711.

¹ The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

2. On February 19, 2011, Dr. Mark provided work excuse notes to patients without adequately documenting the interaction in a health care record that would meet the requirements of Wis. Admin. Code § MED 21.03.

3. Dr. Mark has had no other complaints against her license and is otherwise in good standing with the Board.

4. On January 27, 2012, Dr. Mark attended a 4.5 credit symposium entitled Optimal Practices in Patient Care Documentation at St. Mary's Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Laurel B. Mark, M.D., engaged in professional misconduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.02(2)(za), which subjects Dr. Mark to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Laurel B. Mark, M.D., is REPRIMANDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

3. The license and registration of Dr. Mark is LIMITED as follows:

a. Dr. Mark shall complete four (4) hours of education in medical record-keeping. The course entitled Optimal Practices in Patient Care Documentation taken by Respondent on January 27, 2012 satisfies this requirement.

b. Dr. Mark is responsible for full costs of attendance at this course and is prohibited from applying the credits earned in this course toward satisfaction of the otherwise required biennial continuing education.

c. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, Dr. Mark shall prepare and submit a sworn affidavit attesting that the credits obtained from the course Optimal Practices in Patient Care Documentation will not be applied to the satisfaction of the required biennial continuing education. Upon submission of the affidavit, this limitation shall be lifted.

4. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Dr. Mark shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$200.00.

5. The affidavit and payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

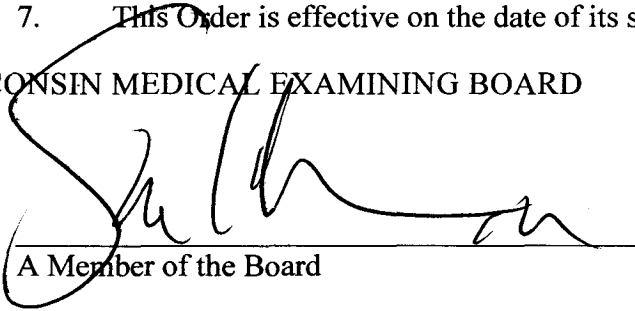
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Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

6. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit payment of the costs or the affidavit as ordered, Respondent's license (no. 20-24720) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with submission of the affidavit and payment of the costs.

7. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

By:


A Member of the Board

12/12/12
Date