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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
MARK G. REUTER, M.D.	:	LS0410202MED
RESPONDENT	:	

Division of Enforcement Case # 01 MED 254

The parties to this proceeding for purposes of § 227.53, Stats. are:

Mark G. Reuter, M.D.
101 South Gibson Street
Medford, WI 54451

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board
1400 East Washington Ave.
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
1400 East Washington Ave.
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board received a Stipulation submitted by the parties to the above-captioned matter. The Stipulation, a copy of which is attached hereto, was executed by Mark G. Reuter, M.D. personally and by his attorney, Paul E. Davis, and by Michael J. Berndt, attorney for the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement. Based upon the Stipulation of the parties, the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Mark G. Reuter, M.D., 101 South Gibson Street, Medford, Wisconsin, was born on January 14, 1957, and has been licensed to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin since July 1, 1993, license #34557.
2. Dr. Reuter specializes in family practice.
3. An informal complaint received by the Medical Examining Board alleges on June 7, 2001, Dr. Reuter performed a vasectomy on Patient DR and the vas segments were sent to pathology for confirmation.
4. When Dr. Reuter reviewed the Pathology Report, dated June 11, 2001, he became aware that he had failed to sever the left vas deferens.
5. On June 29, 2001, another physician performed the left-side vasectomy on the patient.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction in this proceeding pursuant to § 448.02, Stats.
2. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has the authority to resolve this proceeding by stipulation without an evidentiary hearing pursuant to § 227.44(5), Stats.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Stipulation of the parties is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mark G. Reuter, M.D., will, within 9 months of the date of this Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education, take and complete 6 hours of Category 1 continuing medical education course in vasectomy. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be preapproved by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board or its designee. Dr. Reuter will be responsible for locating courses satisfactory to the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board and for obtaining the required approval of the courses from the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board or its designee. Dr. Reuter will within 60 days of completion of this education requirement file an affidavit with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board stating under oath that he has attended in its entirety each of the courses approved for satisfaction of this requirement along with supporting documentation of attendance from the sponsoring organizations. This affidavit and the supporting documentation of attendance will be filed with:

Department Monitor
Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8935

All certifications, affidavits or other documents required to be filed with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board will be deemed filed with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board upon receipt by the Department Monitor.

Dr. Reuter will be responsible for paying the full cost of attendance at this course. Dr. Reuter will not apply any of the continuing education credits earned in satisfaction of this Order toward satisfaction of his §448.13, Stats., biennial training requirements.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mark G. Reuter, M.D. shall pay costs in this matter of \$400.00 payable to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, 1400 East Washington Avenue, P.O. Box 8935, Madison Wisconsin 53708-8935 within ninety (90) days of the date of this Final Decision and Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mark G. Reuter, M.D. will appear before the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, if an appearance is requested by the Board, at the conclusion of the continuing education course to establish that he has complied with all of the terms of this Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mark G. Reuter, M.D. is responsible for compliance with all of the terms and conditions of this Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education. Dr. Reuter will promptly notify the Department Monitor of any suspected violations of any of the terms and conditions of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to § 448.02(4), Stats., if the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board determines that there is probable cause to believe that Mark G. Reuter, M.D. has violated the terms of this Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, the Board may order that the license of Dr. Reuter to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin be summarily suspended pending investigation of the alleged violation.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 20th day of October, 2004.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Lief Erickson
Secretary