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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION

ELIZABETH WILSON-WARD, M.D.

RESPONDENT. : LS0611153MED

#### Division of Enforcement Case 04 MED 353

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

Elizabeth Wilson-Ward, M.D. 3621 S. Emerald Drive Wausau, WI 54401

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

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

#### PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Elizabeth Wilson-Ward, M.D., date of birth April 1, 1957, is duly licensed as a physician in the state of Wisconsin (license #20-30770). This license was first granted on September 27, 1989.
- 2. Dr. Wilson-Ward's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is 3621 S. Emerald Drive, Wausau, WI 54401.
- 3. At all times relevant to this action, Dr. Wilson-Ward was working as an emergency room physician at Aspirus Wausau Hospital in Wausau, Wisconsin.
- 4. An informal complaint received by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board alleges that on February 2, 2000, Dr. Wilson-Ward failed to properly interpret an electrocardiogram that she ordered on a patient. The patient was shortly thereafter discovered to be undergoing a heart attack.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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

#### **ORDER**

#### NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Dr. Wilson-Ward will, within nine (9) months of the date of this Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education, take and complete ten (10) hours of Category 1 continuing education in the reading and interpretation of electrocardiograms and the diagnosis of chest pain. The course(s) attended in satisfaction of this Order must be preapproved by the Medical Examining Board or its designee. Dr. Wilson-Ward will be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Medical Examining Board and for obtaining the required approval of the course(s) from the Medical Examining Board or its designee. Dr. Wilson-Ward will within sixty (60) days of completion of this educational requirement file an affidavit with the Medical Examining Board stating under oath that she has attended in its entirety the course(s) approved for satisfaction of this requirement along with supporting documentation of attendance from the sponsoring organization(s). This affidavit and the supporting document(s) 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, WI 53708-8935
Fax (608) 266-2264
Telephone: (608) 267-3817
department.monitor@drl.state.wi.us

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

- 2. Dr. Wilson-Ward will be responsible for paying the full cost of attendance at any approved course(s). Dr. Wilson-Ward will not apply any of the continuing education credits earned in satisfaction of this Order toward satisfaction of her Wis. Stat. § 448.13 biennial training requirements.
- 3. Dr. Wilson-Ward shall pay costs in this matter in the amount of \$840.00. Payments of no less than \$140.00 each shall be made by the first day of every March, June, September, and December subsequent to the signing of this Order until the total of \$840.00 is paid. Each payment shall be made out to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing and shall be mailed to the Department Monitor at the address noted above. Payment is timely if postmarked by the due date.
- 4. In the event Dr. Wilson-Ward fails to timely make any payment or pay all costs as ordered or fails to comply with the ordered continuing education, her license (#30770) SHALL BE SUSPENDED WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE OR HEARING until she has complied with the terms of this Order. The Board or its designee will remove the suspension if provided with sufficient information that Dr. Wilson-Ward is in compliance with the Order and that it is inappropriate for the suspension to remain in effect. The Board in its discretion may impose additional conditions and limitations for a violation of any terms of this Order.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin this 15th day of November, 2006.

Gene Musser MD Chairperson Wisconsin Medical Examining Board