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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

AMIT WAGHRAY, M.D., RESPONDENT.	:	ORDER 0002360
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY	•	

Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 12 MED 240

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

Amit Waghray, M.D. 20660 N. 40th Run, Unit 2150 Phoenix, AZ 85050

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

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

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 Amit Waghray, M.D., (dob September 21, 1973), is licensed in the State of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 20-47772, first issued on January 27, 2005, with registration current through October 31, 2013. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 20660 N. 40th Run, Unit 2150, Phoenix, Arizona 85050.

2. On June 7, 2012, Respondent entered into an Order for Letter of Reprimand and Consent to the Same with the Arizona Medical Board. Respondent had inappropriately billed for

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

services not rendered while working as a hospitalist at John C. Lincoln North Mountain Hospital form December 2010 through May 2011.

A true and correct copy of the Arizona Medical Board Order is attached to this document as Exhibit A. Exhibit A is incorporated into this document by reference.

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, Respondent Amit Waghray, M.D., engaged in unprofessional conduct pursuant to Wis. Admin. § MED 10.02(2)(q) by having discipline taken against his medicine and surgery license in another state.

3. As a result of the above conduct, Amit Waghray, M.D., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

<u>ORDER</u>

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent Amit Waghray, M.D., is REPRIMANDED.

3. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Amit Waghray, M.D., shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$90.00.

4. Payment of costs shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services and sent to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935 Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264 DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

5. 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 costs as ordered, Respondent's license (no. 20-47772) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of the costs.

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

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WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD U by: A Member of the Board Date

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BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

In the Matter of

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AMIT WAGHRAY, M.D.

Holder of License No. 34299
For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine
In the State of Arizona

Case No. MD-11-0862A

ORDER FOR LETTER OF REPRIMAND AND CONSENT TO THE SAME

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Exhibit A

7 Amit Waghray, M.D. ("Respondent") elects to permanently waive any right to a
8 hearing and appeal with respect to this Order for Letter of Reprimand; admits the
9 Jurisdiction of the Arizona Medical Board ("Board"); and consents to the entry of this Order
10 by the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

12 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of
13 the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

14 2. Respondent is the holder of license number 34299 for the practice of
15 allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

3. The Board Initiated case number MD-11-0862A after receiving notification
from Respondent that he had inappropriately billed for services not rendered while working
as a hospitalist at John C. Lincoln North Mountain Hospital from December 2010 through
May 2011.

4. Respondent stated he feels that the increase in his workload from seeing 1216 patients per day to 22-27 hospitalized patients per day and exhaustion led to his poor
judgment and to his "cutting corners" at the hospital. He stated that he began to write
progress notes and orders on patient charts and billing for visits without seeing the
patients. The issue was brought to Respondent's employer and he was terminated. He
also resigned from the hospital.

Respondent self-reported the incident to the Board, the U.S. Office of 5. 1 2 Inspector General, and to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS). 3 He also obtained an attorney to help go through all of his billing material so that he could 4 start the process of reimbursing insurance companies. Respondent reported that he has Š worked diligently to reimburse Medicare for the inappropriate billing and coding. According to Respondent's counsel, as of November 22, 2011, his counsel has been in the process 6 7 of preparing letters to private insurers and third party administrators for institutions such as 8 AHCCCS regarding patients not seen, and will prepare reimbursement to those institutions 9 when a complete list is furnished.

Board staff noted that Respondent has not practiced medicine for pay since
 May of 2011. According to various letters from Respondent and his legal counsel, he has
 been involved in several volunteer efforts. He has also obtained CME in medical ethics,
 boundaries, and professionalism. Respondent has also seen a professional mental health
 counselor. As of December 28, 2011, Respondent has not been criminally charged for the
 inappropriate billing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over
 Respondent.

20 2. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional 21 conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(u) ("[Charging a fee for services not rendered or 22 dividing a professional fee for patient referrals among health care providers or health care 23 institutions or between these providers and institutions or a contractual arrangement that 24 has the same effect. This subdivision does not apply to payments from a medical

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1	researcher to a physician in connection with identifying and monitoring patients for a	_
2	clinical trial regulated by the United States food and drug administration.")	7
3	ORDER	
4	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT Respondent is issued a Letter of Reprimand.	
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6	DATED AND EFFECTIVE this day of, 2012.	
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8	ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD	
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1Ò	By <u>Lisa S. Wynn</u>	
11	Executive Director	
12	CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER	
13	1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the	•
14	stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Order"). Respondent	
15	acknowledges he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.	
16	2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely	
. 17	and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.	
18	3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights to	
19	a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to challenge	
20	this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of action	
21	related thereto or arising from said Order.	
22	4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its	
23	Executive Director.	
24	5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this	
25	matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving	ľ
	the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended	 .
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or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government 1 2 regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or 3 any other state or federal court.

Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof) 6. 4 5 to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the entry of the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. 6 Any 7 modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved 8 by the parties.

This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal 9 7. disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data 10 11 Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.

12 8. If any part of the Order Is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect. 13

If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a 14 9. 15 defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes blas, prejudice, 16 prejudgment or other similar defense.

Any violation of this Order constitutes unprofessional conduct and may result 17 10. in disciplinary action. A.R.S. § § 32-1401(27)(r) ("[v]lolating a formal order, probation, 18 19 consent agreement or slipulation issued or entered into by the board or its executive director under this chapter") and 32-1451. 20

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Amit Waghray 23

DATED: APR 12 15:2012

24 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed this] day of Ju _, 2012 to: IME 25

Stephen Myers Myers & Jenkins One East Camelback Rd, Suite 500 Phoenix, AZ 85012 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this _____ day of _____, 2012 with: Arizona Medical Board 9545 E. Doubletree Ranch Road Scottsdale, AZ 85258 July Boles 8Y 1 Arizona Medical Board Staff . 17

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