

## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

JULIE R. FAGAN, M.D.,  
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 MED 025

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

Julie R. Fagan, M.D.  
57 Chequamegon Bay  
Madison, WI 53719

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board  
P.O. Box 8366  
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
Department of Safety and Professional Services  
P.O. Box 7190  
Madison, WI 53707-7190

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 Julie R. Fagan, M.D. (DOB March 11, 1954), is licensed by the State of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 24673-20, first issued on July 2, 1982, with registration current through October 31, 2019. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 57 Chequamegon Bay, Madison, Wisconsin 53719.

2. At all times pertinent to this matter, Respondent practiced internal medicine at a medical clinic in Madison, Wisconsin.

3. While working at the clinic, Respondent treated Patient A (a female born in 1958) for hypothyroidism and other medical conditions.

4. On June 28, 2012, Respondent prescribed Armour thyroid medication, 60 mg tablets to Patient A and instructed her to take 1-1.5 tablets once per day. That prescription was continued unchanged through July 29, 2013.

5. On July 29, 2013, Patient A presented to the hospital for evaluation of an unrelated medical condition. Respondent's medical assistant documented a request to renew the patient's Armour thyroid prescription., which was according to her list of current medications, "thyroid 120 mg tab" taken once daily. It was noted that the pharmacy did not have 120 mg tablets, so the patient would need to take two tablets per day per Respondent's "My Chart" entry. Respondent then authorized issuance of a new prescription for 120 mg tablets of Armour thyroid to be taken two times per day.

6. Patient A took the prescribed medication until early October 2013, when she was transported to the hospital via ambulance with shortness of breath and possible seizure activity. Patient A's TSH was found to be 0.01 and concern that she suffered from "thyroid storm" (hyperthyroidism) was noted.

7. Patient A's medical condition in October 2013 was most likely caused by the erroneous doubling of her hypothyroid medication. Respondent attributes the doubling of Patient A's medication to a transcription error made by her medical assistant.

8. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

#### 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 Findings of Fact, Respondent Julie R. Fagan, M.D., engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § Med 10.02(2)(h) (Nov. 2002) by engaging in any practice or conduct which tends to constitute a danger to the health, welfare, or safety of patient or public.

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

#### ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent, Julie R. Fagan, M.D., (license number 24673-020), is  
REPRIMANDED.

3. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Julie R. Fagan, M.D., shall pay COSTS  
of this matter in the amount of \$600.00.

4. Payment of costs (made payable to Wisconsin Department of Safety and  
Professional Services) shall be sent by Respondent 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 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190  
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264  
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

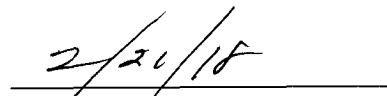
5. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (no.  
24673-20), or Respondent's right to renew her license, may, in the discretion of the Board or its  
designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied  
with the terms of the Order. The Board may, in addition and/or in the alternative, refer any  
violation of this Order to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further  
investigation.

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

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by:

  
A Member of the Board

  
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 MED 025

Respondent Julie R. Fagan, M.D., and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Respondent understands that by signing this Stipulation, Respondent voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
- the right to petition for rehearing; and
- all other applicable rights afforded to Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.

4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division

Stipulation

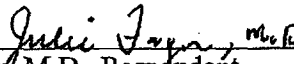
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Julie Fagan, M.D., Case No. 16 MED 025

of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

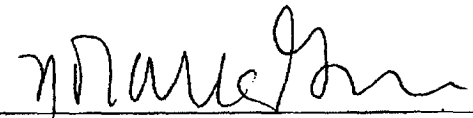
6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

7. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

  
Julie R. Fagan, M.D., Respondent  
57 Chequamegon Bay  
Madison, WI 53719  
License no. 24673-20

2-9-18  
Date

  
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Division of Legal Services and Compliance  
P.O. Box 7190  
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2/20/18  
Date