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# STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

CINDY WOOD, M.D., RESPONDENT. FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 MED 313

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

Cindy Wood, M.D. La Crosse, WI 54601

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 Cindy Wood, M.D. (DOB xx-xx-1954), is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 24285-20, first issued on October 23, 1981, with registration current through October 31, 2021. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in La Crosse, WI 54601.
- 2. Respondent was asked to submit proof of compliance with the continuing medical education requirements for the 2016-2017 biennium.
- 3. Respondent provided proof of only 2.5 hours of continuing education obtained during the 2016-2017 biennium and no Board-approved opioid prescribing course.

- 4. Respondent failed to comply with the continuing medical education requirements for the 2016-2017 biennium.
- 5. In May of 2020, while this matter was pending, Respondent earned 24 AMA PRA Category 1 credits by successfully completing three courses offered by the Harvard Medical School (2020 CME).
- 6. Respondent elects to apply the 2020 CME to her continuing medical education requirements for the 2016-2017 biennium and agrees it may not be used to satisfy continuing education requirements for any other biennium.
- 7. The Board accepts the 2020 CME as satisfying, in part, the education it would have otherwise ordered below.
- 8. Respondent is retired and maintains she completed sufficient continuing medical education in 2016-2017, but to resolve this matter she 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 the Findings of Fact, Respondent violated Wis. Stat. § 448.13(1)(a) by failing to complete thirty (30) acceptable continuing medical education hours, including an approved opioid course, during the 2016-2017 biennium.
- 3. In violating Wis. Stat. § 448.13(1)(a), Respondent committed unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code §§ Med 10.03(1)(a) and (b).
- 4. As a result of the above violations, Cindy Wood, M.D., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 448.02(3).

### **ORDER**

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Respondent Cindy Wood, M.D., is REPRIMANDED.
- 3. The medicine and surgery license issued to Cindy Wood, M.D., (license number 24285-20) is LIMITED as follows:
  - a. Within one hundred and twenty (120) days of the date of this Order, Respondent shall successfully complete three-and-a-half (3.5) credits of continuing medical education courses, including a two (2) hour Board-approved course on opioid prescribing.

- b. Respondent shall be responsible for obtaining the courses required under this Order, for providing adequate course descriptions to the Department Monitor, and for obtaining pre-approval of the courses from the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board, or its designee, prior to commencement of the courses.
- c. The Board or its designee may reject any courses and may accept a course for less than the number of hours for which Respondent seeks approval.
- d. Within thirty (30) days of completion of each educational component, Respondent shall submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below.
- e. Respondent is responsible for all costs associated with compliance with this educational requirement.
- f. The continuing medical education completed pursuant to this requirement will be used to satisfy only the continuing education required for the 2016-2017 biennium. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any other continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department.
- g. Satisfaction of this limitation does not relieve Respondent of the obligation to complete continuing medical education in the current biennium.
- h. This limitation shall be removed upon Respondent demonstrating to the Board or its designee that Respondent has successfully completed continuing medical education requirements for the 2016-2017 biennium.
- 4. Within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of this Order, Cindy Wood, M.D., shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$775.00.
- 5. Requests for course approval, proof of successful course completion, and payment of costs (made payable to the 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

<u>DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov</u>

Respondent may also submit this information online via DSPS' Monitoring Case Management System: <a href="https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov/">https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov/</a>

- 6. In the event Respondent violates any term of this Order, Respondent's license (no. 24285-20), 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 and action.
  - 7. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

by: Stellin A. Wararm, ms	18 November 2020
A Member of the Board	Date

## STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

CINDY WOOD, M.D., RESPONDENT. **STIPULATION** 

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 18 MED 313

Respondent Cindy Wood, 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. Respondent is represented by Attorney Jason Prekop.
- 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.

- If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not 5. be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division 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.
- The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the 6. 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 or Respondent's attorney, 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

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8. The Division of Legal Services and Comrecommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issu	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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