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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF | : | |
| | : | FINAL DECISION AND ORDER |
| PAUL N. GREENLAW, M.D., | : | FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION |
| LICENSEE. | : | |

ORDER 0008777

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 MED 345

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

Paul N. Greenlaw, M.D.
Green Bay, WI 54311

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

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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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. Licensee Paul N. Greenlaw, M.D., (Year of Birth 1964) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice medicine and surgery, having license number 49635-20, first issued on August 17, 2006, with registration current through October 31, 2023. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Green Bay, Wisconsin 54311.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Licensee practiced family medicine at an outpatient clinic for veterans in Green Bay, Wisconsin (Clinic).

3. On October 20, 2021, Patient A, a 64-year-old male, presented to Licensee complaining of anxiety attacks and chest pressure and burning that was exacerbated by lying down and exercise but did not radiate to his neck, shoulder, arm or back. Patient A's EKG was abnormal.

4. Licensee ordered a stress test-exercise for Patient A. However, because Patient A's EKG was abnormal, a nurse requested that a cardiologist review the EKG and make a recommendation. The nurse added a note to Patient A's chart to that effect and a notification was sent to Licensee via the Clinic's electronic alert/messaging system.

5. On October 22, 2021, the cardiologist reviewed Patient A's EKG and recommended ordering a stress test with imaging instead of just a stress test-exercise. The nurse cancelled Licensee's original order and sent a note with the cardiologist's recommendation to Licensee via the Clinic's electronic alert/messaging system. Licensee processed and deleted the alert on October 26, 2021, but failed to order the correct stress test with imaging for Patient A at this time.

6. Licensee maintains that he struggled with the Clinic's electronic alert/messaging system since he began practicing at the Clinic six months prior.

7. On December 2, 2021, Patient A returned to see Licensee with similar complaints. Licensee noted that the stress test-exercise had been ordered. After the visit, the nurse sent an electronic reminder to Licensee to review the previous comments regarding the stress test with imaging, which Licensee acknowledged on December 5, 2021. Licensee ordered the correct stress test for Patient A, but Patient A expired of a myocardial infarction before he could complete the test.

8. On March 8, 2022, the Clinic revoked Licensee's clinical privileges.

9. On July 31, 2022, Licensee completed 11 credit hours of education on the topic of "ECG Mastery: Yellow Belt Course."

10. This Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education does not constitute professional discipline and the Board has made no finding that Licensee engaged in unprofessional conduct.

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

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. The Board accepts the 11 credit hours of education already completed by Licensee as the equivalent of education it would have otherwise ordered. The 11 credit hours may not be used to satisfy Licensee's statutory continuing education requirements.

3. Within six (6) months of the date of this Order, Licensee shall at his own expense take and successfully complete the 27.5 hour course offered by the American Academy of Family Physicians entitled "Care of Cardiovascular Conditions," as follows:

- a. Licensee must take and pass any exam offered for the course.
- b. Licensee shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below.
- c. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department and may not be used in any future attempt to upgrade a credential.

4. Proof of successful course completion shall be sent by Licensee 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) 266-2112; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

Licensee may also submit this information online at: <https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov>.

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

WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

By: Sharon A. Wasson, MD
A Member of the Board

9/20/23
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

PAUL N. GREENLAW, M.D.,
LICENSEE.

STIPULATION

ORDER 0008777

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 22 MED 345

Licensee Paul N. Greenlaw, 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. Licensee consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

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

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Licensee, 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 Licensee;
- the right to call witnesses on Licensee's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Licensee'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 Licensee under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Licensee is aware of Licensee's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation. Licensee is represented by Attorney Kristen Nelson.

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

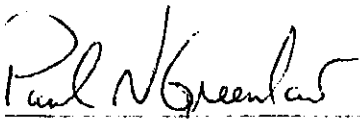
5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by 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 Licensee or Licensee'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 for Remedial Education.

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

8. Licensee is further informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education will be reported as required by the National Practitioner Databank (NPDB) Guidebook and as otherwise required by any licensure compact or any other state or federal law.

9. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Licensee in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education.



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License No. 49635-20

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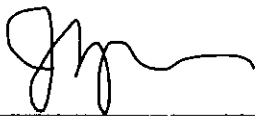
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8/11/2023

Date