STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS	: :	
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES	: : :	EMS File 00-008B
vs.	:	
ALAN R. FORTES	:	

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to Chapter 23-4.1 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, 1956, as Amended and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, the Rhode Island Department of Health, Division of Emergency Medical Services (hereinafter ("Department"), has investigated a complaint charging Alan R. Fortes, EMT-Cardiac (hereinafter Respondent), with a violation of the Rules and Regulations Relating to Emergency Medical Services (R23-4.1-EMS).

After careful consideration by the Department, the following constitutes the Findings of Fact with respect to the professional performance of the Respondent:

1) Respondent is an Emergency Medical Technician-Cardiac licensed to practice emergency medical services in the State of Rhode Island.

2) That at all pertinent times Respondent was employed by the Providence Fire Department, Providence, Rhode Island.

3) That on or about January 13, 2000, Respondent failed to provide complete and adequate documentation on the Rhode Island EMS Ambulance Run Reports bearing lithocode numbers 885910 and 885902 per his treatment of Patient A on or about January 13, 2000.

4) That the conduct described in paragraph three (3) herein constitutes unprofessional conduct as defined in Section 16.1 (e) of the Rules and Regulations Relating to Emergency Medical Services (R23-4.1-EMS).

The parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent is an Emergency Medical Technician-Cardiac and able to conduct business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Rhode Island. Respondent's mailing address is 30 Lecia Drive, Providence, R.I. 02909.

2. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Department and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Department.

3. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of the Department and is subject to final ratification by the Department. This Consent Order and the contents thereof are not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Department.

4. Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:

   a) The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Department;

   b) The right to produce witnesses and evidence in his behalf at a hearing;

   c) The right to cross-examine witnesses;

   d) The right to have subpoenas issued by the Department;

   e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;

   f) Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order;

   g) Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Department for consideration and review;

h) Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Department to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to adequately review this Consent Order;

i) Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of the presentation of this Consent Order to the Department.

5. This Consent Order shall become a part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties.

6. Acceptance by the Respondent and approval by the Department of this Consent Order constitutes an admission of the facts contained herein.

7. Failure to comply with the Consent Order, once signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.

8. Respondent voluntarily accepts the Sanction of a Reprimand.

9. That this Consent Order shall obviate the necessity for a hearing on the matters forming the basis for this Consent Order.

Signed this 27th day of July 2002.

Alan R. Fortes, EMT-C

Ratified as an order of the Department on this 1st day of August.

Dated: 8/1/02

Nikki Samaras Deary, Chief
Health Professions Regulation

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