STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF:
ANTHONY ROTELLI, M.D.
License Number MD04945
BMLD Complaint Number C12-522

CONSENT ORDER

Anthony Rotelli, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter the "Board") received a patient complaint in 2012, reviewed the matter fully, and found no concern about Respondent's medical treatment or care of the patient. However, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a physician who has been licensed in Rhode Island since October 29, 1975. His business address is 1524 Atwood Avenue, Johnston, Rhode Island. He graduated from Creighton University School of Medicine in 1974.

2. A patient filed a complaint in 2012 which has been reviewed thoroughly by the investigative committee, which determined that the Respondent provided proper medical treatment and care of the patient. However, during the review, the committee found that the patient's in-office medical chart was illegible in places and did not adequately convey information about the patient's conditions.

3. Within a year after the medical record in question, Respondent converted his
practice’s recordkeeping system to electronic medical records, which has alleviated the Board’s concern with regard to Respondent’s current medical recordkeeping.

4. Based on the deficiency in the patient’s 2012 medical record, Respondent has violated Rhode Island General Laws §5-37-5.1(19) and Section 11.4 of the Rhode Island Rules and Regulations for the Licensure and Discipline of Physicians based on the failure to meet minimum standards of care regarding sufficient medical recordkeeping.

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board.

2. Respondent has agreed to this Consent Order and understands that it is subject to final approval of the Board, and this Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.

3. If ratified by the Board, Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
   
   a. The right to appear personally or by counsel or both before the Board;
   
   b. The right to produce witnesses and evidence on his behalf at a hearing;
   
   c. The right to cross examine witnesses;
   
   d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;
   
   e. The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
   
   f. Any and all rights of appeal of this Consent Order; and
g. Any objection to the fact that this Consent Order will be presented to the Board for consideration and review.

4. Respondent agrees to pay within sixty (60) days of the ratification of this Consent Order an administrative fee to the Board with a check for $1000.00 made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer for costs associated with investigating the above-referenced complaint.

5. Respondent agrees to enroll in a Board-approved course in medical records within six months of ratification of this Order, and shall complete such course and provide results to the Board.

6. Based on the deficiency in the 2011 office chart in this matter, Respondent hereby agrees to this reprimand on his physician license.

7. In the event that any term of this Consent Order is violated, after signed and accepted, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to summarily impose further disciplinary action. If the Director summarily imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent shall be given notice and shall have the right to request an administrative hearing within twenty (20) days of the disciplinary action. The Director of the Department of Health shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. The Administrative Hearing Officer may suspend Respondent’s license, or impose further discipline, if the alleged violation is proven by a preponderance of evidence.
Signed this 23rd day of July, 2014.

Anthony J. Rotelli, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 13th day of August, 2014.

Michael Fine, M.D.
Director
Rhode Island Department of Health