

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**BOARD OF MEDICAL
LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE**

**IN THE MATTER OF:
Chi-Kuang Lai, M.D.
License Number MD09870
Complaint Numbers C13-833**

CONSENT ORDER

Chi-Kuang Lai, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter the "Board") found after the investigative committee's review of the complaint, the records, and the Respondent's written reply to the complaint that Respondent committed unprofessional conduct. The Board further makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a physician who has been licensed in Rhode Island since August 6, 1998. He graduated from Taipei Medical College on June 1, 1969.
2. While practicing at a previous employment, Respondent was asked to consult on Patient A, who presented with a complaint of "follow up gastroenteritis and complaint of genital pain". Exam revealed that Patient A had an enlarged testicle.
3. Respondent told Patient A to stop taking ciprofloxacin, an antibiotic the patient was taking for gastroenteritis and Respondent prescribed another antibiotic Septra DS. Respondent ordered an ultrasound of the testicle and urged Patient A to have

the test performed right away, however Patient A's parent objected to the ultrasound being done that day because Patient A had an important exam to study for. Respondent therefore ordered the ultrasound of the testicle for the next day, which occurred.

4. Respondent's practice was notified the following day that Patient A's ultrasound was consistent with torsion of the testicle. Patient was referred for surgical consultation, where the testicle was found to have lost all blood supply and was damaged.
5. Respondent should have sent patient A for an emergency urological consultation.
6. Respondent failed to recognize a urological emergency and secure an emergent referral for definitive care to remedy the condition.
7. Respondent has violated Rhode Island General Laws §5-37-5.1(19) for failure to meet minimum standards of care.

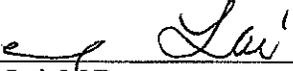
Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board.
2. Respondent does not challenge the findings of 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 \$600 dollars made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasurer for costs associated with investigating the above-referenced complaint.
 5. Within six months from the ratification of this Consent Order, Respondent agrees to complete an additional (over and above usual CME requirements) eight (8) hours of Board approved CME regarding urologic emergencies.
 6. Respondent hereby agrees to this reprimand on his physician license.
 7. Respondent shall serve a two (2) year probation following ratification of this order by the Board. Respondent is permitted to continue practicing as a physician in Rhode Island with no interruption in such practice.
 8. 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 suspend the Respondent's license and/or impose further disciplinary action. If the Director suspends the license and/or imposes further disciplinary action, Respondent shall be given notice and shall have the right to request an

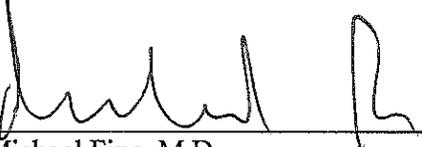
administrative hearing within twenty (20) days of the suspension and/or further discipline. The Director of the Department of Health shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of a violation of any term of this Consent Order. The Administrative Hearing Officer may suspend Respondent's license, or impose further discipline, for the remainder of Respondent's licensing period if the alleged violation is proven by a preponderance of evidence.

Signed this 31 day of July, 2014.



Chi-Kuang Lai, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 13 day of ~~July~~ ^{August} 2014.



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