STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE
AND DISCIPLINE

In the matter of:
ERIK PURINS, M.D.
License Number MD 07641
Complaint Number C13-207, C16-002

CONSENT ORDER

Erik Purins (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. After a review of the above-referenced matter, the Board of Medical Licensure & Discipline makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent has been licensed as a physician in Rhode Island since October 4th, 1989. His practice was located at 340 Main Street, Worcester, Massachusetts. He is a 1985 graduate of the Wayne State School of Medicine.

2. A report was made to the Board by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration in Medicine indicating that Respondent's health condition was interfering with his ability to practice medicine. Respondent's practice was restricted to medical record reviews for disability claims. Respondent did not examine patients or prescribe medications.
3. Respondent has been compliant with a program from the Mass Physicians Health Committee and remains committed to this program. Respondent did experience a relapse in 2015 which caused the suspension of his Massachusetts physician license.

4. Respondent had an agreement with the Rhode Island Board of Medical Licensure & Discipline from 2005 which mirrored the Massachusetts order.

5. Respondent enters into this Consent Order agreeing to an active and restricted license. Respondent will be allowed to practice medicine within the confines of his current practice of medical record reviews of disability evaluations. Respondent will not prescribe medications and not apply for a controlled substance registration.

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

2. Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal and is subject to the final approval of the Board. This Consent order is not binding on Respondent until signed by the Director.

3. 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 in his behalf
at a hearing;
c. The right to cross examines 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;
g. Any objection to the fact that it may be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to review adequately this Voluntary Agreement Not to Practice Medicine;
h. Any objection to the fact that potential bias against the Respondent may occur as a result of any presentation of this Consent Order.

4. This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is approved by the Director, and it shall be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Federation of State Medical Boards.

5. Failure to comply with this Consent Order, when approved by the Director, shall subject the Respondent to disciplinary action.

6. Respondent agrees not to seek licensure or practice medicine in any other jurisdiction while this agreement is in effect, unless receiving approval from the Board.

7. Respondent will continue to follow the recommendations of the Massachusetts
physician health committee for the next 5 years.

8. Respondent agrees to remain on probation for 5 years.

9. In the event that any conditions of this Consent Order are violated after it is ratified, the Director of the Department of Health shall have the discretion to impose disciplinary action, including summary suspension of Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Rhode Island. If the Director suspends such license or imposes other summary discipline, Respondent shall be given notice and shall have the right to request an administrative hearing within ten (10) days of the summary action. The Director of the Department of Health shall also have the discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of any violation of this Consent Order.

Signed this 6th day of May, 2016.

[Signature]

Erik Purins

Approved this 6th day of June, 2016.
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