STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE

IN THE MATTER OF:
GAYLE REBOVICH, M.D.
License Number MD15030
Controlled Substances Registration Number CMD15030
BMLD File Number C14-899

CONSENT ORDER

Gayle Rebovich, M.D. (hereinafter “Respondent”) has applied for a license as a physician in Rhode Island. The matter was assigned a case number due to a complaint under review in another jurisdiction, and the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter the “Board”) through its licensing committee reviewed that complaint and voted to recommend licensure with this Consent Order in place. The Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is being issued her Rhode Island physician license on May 13, 2015, contemporaneously with the ratification of this Consent Order. She graduated from Princeton University in 1998 and received her medical degree from Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons in 2005. Her specialty is neurology.
2. Respondent disclosed in her application to become licensed as a physician in Rhode Island that she had a pending complaint in another jurisdiction relating to her physician license there. This Board in the other jurisdiction has provided terms for a proposed Consent order, including terms for an evaluation and monitoring, but has not yet approved that proposed order.

3. The complaint is based upon a report to the National Practitioner Data Bank, the contents of which was available to the Rhode Island Board’s licensing committee, which found the following general allegations germane to their evaluation: (1) that Respondent had begun to enter information in a medical record for a patient who she was intending to examine that day, but Respondent did not examine and did not correct the record to reflect that fact; and (2) that Respondent was prescribing certain medications to herself after another physician had prescribed the medication originally. Respondent admitted to the Rhode Island Board’s licensing committee that these facts were accurate.

4. Respondent satisfactorily addressed with a healthcare provider the issues surrounding her writing prescriptions to herself.

5. Respondent is in civil violation of Rhode Island General Laws § 5-37-5.1(19) and Rules and Regulations § 11.4 for failure to make an accurate medical record and for prescribing medications to herself.

Based on the foregoing, the parties agree as follows:

1. Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board;

2. Respondent has reviewed this Consent Order and understands that it is subject to final approval of the Board; and this Consent Order is not binding on Respondent.

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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 is hereby granted an unrestricted license as a physician in Rhode Island contemporaneously with the ratification of this Consent Order.

5. Respondent hereby agrees to this Reprimand by the Board based on the findings above.

6. Respondent agrees to pay an administrative fee to the Board for costs associating with reviewing this complaint. Respondent shall submit to the Board within sixty (60) days a check made payable to the Rhode Island General Treasury for the amount of $650.00.

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7. Respondent will be permitted to begin practicing as a physician in Rhode Island. Respondent shall serve a reciprocal probation term in Rhode Island consistent with that of the other jurisdiction following ratification of the proposed order by the Board of the other jurisdiction. The Respondent shall provide quarterly reports to the Board in Rhode Island. The Respondent may petition to waive the requirement of probation and/or monitoring, which will be allowed solely at the discretion of the Board.

8. In the event the Board of the other jurisdiction denies the proposed Consent Order that will be presented, or the Respondent violates that Consent Order, the Respondent will provide notice to the Board within ten (10) days of same and the Rhode Island Board may take any action it deems appropriate, including requiring the Respondent inactivate her license without requesting a Hearing, until such time as the other jurisdiction approves a Consent Order.

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 further disciplinary action, including summarily suspending the Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Rhode Island. If the Director suspends such license, Respondent shall be given notice and shall have the right to request an administrative hearing within ten (10) days of the suspension. 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. The

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Administrative Hearing Officer may suspend Respondent's license for the remainder of Respondent's probationary period if the alleged violation is proven by a preponderance of evidence.

Signed this 6 day of May, 2015.

Gayle Robovich, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on the 12 day of May, 2015.

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