STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

In the Matter of
Richard Anderson, M.D.
License Number MD 12555

Consent Order

Pursuant to R.I. General Laws §5-37-5.2, 1956, as amended, (2004 Reenactment) the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter referred to as “Board”) has received information from the RI Physicians Health Committee indicating that the Respondent has discontinued treatment for opioid and cocaine dependence prior to completing treatment in violation of RIGL § 5-37-5.1. The following constitutes the Investigating Committee’s Findings:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Richard Anderson, M.D. is a 1993 graduate of the Brown University Medical School and has practiced medicine in Rhode Island since 2007.

2. The respondent voluntarily sought treatment for opiate and cocaine addiction but subsequently discontinued treatment prior to completion.

3. The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline was notified of this action by the PHC.
The parties agree as follows:

The Respondent is a physician with an active allopathic license No. 12555
Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board.

(1) Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands that it is a proposal of an Investigating Committee of the Board and is subject to the final approval of the Board. This Consent Order is not binding on Respondent until final ratification by the Board.

(2) 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 examine witnesses;

d. The right to have subpoenas issued by the Board;

e. The right to further procedural steps except for 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 Board for consideration and review;

h. Any objection to the fact that it will be necessary for the Board to become acquainted with all evidence pertaining to this matter in order to review adequately 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.

(3) Acceptance of this Consent Order constitutes an admission by the Respondent of the facts set forth in paragraphs 1 through 4, inclusive, of the Findings of Fact section herein.

(4) This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and by the Board.

(5) Failure to comply with this Consent Order, when signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.

(6) The Respondent agrees to the Voluntary Surrender of his License to Practice Medicine.

Signed this 19 day of May, 2009.

Richard Anderson, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline at a meeting held on

May 20, 2009

David R. Gifford, M.D., MPH
Director of Health