

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE**

IN THE MATTER OF:

Stephen Groskin, M.D.

License Number MD12995

BMLD Case Number C11-872

CONSENT ORDER

Stephen Groskin, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent") is licensed as a physician in Rhode Island. The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline (hereinafter the "Board") found that Respondent committed unprofessional conduct arising from his inability to complete medical records and made the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a licensed physician in Rhode Island and was issued his license on March 14, 2007. He graduated from the medical school at State University of New York at Buffalo in 1975. His primary specialty is family practice, in which he was first board certified in 1978.
2. Respondent was employed by Thundermist Health Center from January 25, 2011 until August 29, 2011. Additional areas of patient care responsibility were added to his duties during his tenure. At the conclusion of Respondent's employment, 1234 medical reports in the center's electronic medical records ("EMR") system remained incomplete. It was the Center's policy that the EMR be completed within 72 hours. Since the conclusion of his employment with Thundermist,

Respondent has been current with medical record keeping in subsequent employment over the past two years

3. Respondent is in civil violation of Rhode Island General Laws § 5-37-5.1(19) for nonconformance with minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing medical practice for producing functional medical records.

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 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 this Reprimand by the Board based on the above findings.
5. Respondent shall cooperate fully and promptly with Thundermist Health Center in responding to any patient care problems arising from his failures to complete medical records while employed there.
6. Respondent shall pay the sum of \$1500.00 to the Rhode Island General Treasury for an administrative fee in connection with the investigation and review of this complaint within 60 days of ratification of this order.
7. Respondent shall take further continuing education regarding medical records in addition to the regular credits that will be required at the time of renewal of his physician license. Such education shall be approved in advance by the Board unless the course is offered by Case Western Reserve University or Vanderbilt University. Such course shall be completed within six months of the execution of this Consent Order.
8. In the event that any conditions of this Consent Order are violated after it is signed and accepted, 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 twenty (20) days of the suspension. The Director of the Department of Health shall also have the

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discretion to request an administrative hearing after notice to Respondent of any violation of this Consent Order.

Signed this 7th day of December, 2013.


Stephen Groskin, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline on 11th day of December, 2013.



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