

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
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**BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND
DISCIPLINE**

No. C03-001

In the matter of:
Anthony V. Rocha, M.D.
License number: MD 5196

Consent Order

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §5-37-5.2, 1956, as amended, (1999 Reenactment) notifications were received by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline that the Respondent had been diagnosed with certain medical problems that may effect his ability to practice. The following are the Board's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

1. The Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline has reviewed reports from outside public agencies and treatment providers that indicate the Respondent's need for medical attention.
2. The Respondent's failure to participate in appropriate treatment when recommended would constitute a violation of § 5-37-5.1 of the General Laws.
3. The Respondent has agreed to treatment though the supervision of the Physician's Health Committee of the Rhode Island Medical Society.

The parties agree as follows:

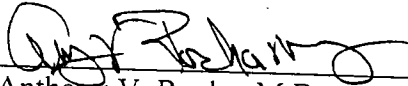
The Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of the Board and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

- (1) 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.
- (2) Acceptance of this Consent Order constitutes an admission by the Respondent of the facts set forth herein.
- (3) This Consent Order shall become part of the public record of this proceeding once it is accepted by all parties and by the Board.
- (4) Failure to comply with this Consent Order, when signed and accepted, shall subject the Respondent to further disciplinary action.
- (5) The Respondent's license shall be suspended until the Board received a satisfactory report from his in-patient treatment providers concerning his ability to return to practice.

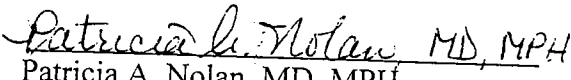
- (6) The Respondent shall sign a contract with the Physician Health Committee of the Rhode Island Medical Society and agrees to participate in each and every recommendation of the committee.
- (7) The Respondent shall submit to all laboratory testing required by the committee and each test result shall be reported to the Board.
- (8) The Respondent agrees to waive all rights to confidentiality of his assessment, treatment records and recommendations in favor of the Board only even though these records may be protected by federal and state laws.
- (9) It is the sole responsibility of the Respondent to insure that each and every aspect of this Order and the Agreements with the physician health committee are fulfilled. A failure to fulfill these agreements may result in the denial of reinstatement or the suspension of the license to practice medicine.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 2003.



Anthony V. Rocha, M.D.

Ratified by the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline at a meeting held on March 12, 2003.



Patricia A. Nolan, MD, MPH
Director of Health