

BEFORE THE MEDICAL LICENSING  
BOARD OF INDIANA  
CAUSE NUMBER 2018 MLB 0017

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF )  
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VIJAYALAKSHMI JAYACHANDRAN, M.D. )  
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LICENSE NO: 01041792A (Active) )



**AMENDED ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT**

The State of Indiana (“Petitioner”), by counsel, Deputy Attorney General Ryan P. Eldridge, on behalf of the Office of the Indiana Attorney General, and pursuant to Ind. Code § 25-1-7-7, Ind. Code ch. 25-1-5, Ind. Code § 25-23-1-7, the Administrative Orders and Procedures Act, Ind. Code ch. 4-21.5-3, and Ind. Code ch. 25-1-9, files its Amended Administrative Complaint against the Medical license of Vijayalakshmi Jayachandran (“Respondent”), and in support alleges and states the following:

**FACTS**

1. Respondent’s address on file with the Medical Licensing Board of Indiana (“Board”) is Confidential Care, 720 45<sup>th</sup> Street, Munster, Indiana 46321.
2. Respondent is a Physician in the State of Indiana having been issued license number 01041792A by endorsement on August 26, 1993.
3. On September 3, 2015, F.L. went to see Respondent. Respondent noted that F.L. suffered from depression, suffered from self-esteem issues, and self-harmed.
4. Respondent performed a mental status examination and determined F.L. suffered from Major Depressive Disorder and Generalized Anxiety Disorder.
5. Respondent noted in the medical record that she prescribed Prozac to F.L. and had F.L. sign a medical informed consent form for Prozac 20mg.

6. The Prescription slip associated with the September 3, 2015 visit was actually written for Lexapro 10mg.

7. On September 9, 2015, F.L. called Respondent to say that the "Prozac" was making her feel jittery, highly anxious, and very dizzy. F.L. said she was only taking a fourth of the pill each time.

8. On October 22, 2015, F.L. went to see Respondent. F.L. told Respondent she was unable to tolerate "Prozac" and felt very depressed.

9. Respondent performed a mental status examination and determined that F.L.'s depression worsened since her last appointment. Respondent decided to stop "Prozac" and prescribed Lexapro.

10. The prescription slip associated with the October 22, 2015 visit was written for Lexapro 10mg.

11. On November 19, 2015, F.L. went to see Respondent. F.L. disclosed to Respondent that after taking Lexapro for a week she experienced suicidal thoughts and decided to stop taking Lexapro.

12. Respondent noted that she suggested other medication, but F.L. did not want another prescription. This was F.L.'s last visit to Respondent's office. Her case was closed, and referrals were given.

13. On August 5, 2016, F.L.'s mother called Respondent stating that both prescriptions from September 5, 2015 and October 22, 2015, were for Lexapro and F.L. never received a prescription for Prozac.

14. F.L.'s mother requested a prescription for Prozac, but Respondent refused to provide a prescription until F.L. scheduled an appointment. Respondent decided to keep F.L.'s

case closed and recommended F.L. seek care from another provider.

### VIOLATIONS

15. By her conduct in writing two prescriptions for Lexapro, instead of one prescription for Lexapro and one prescription for Prozac as documented, Respondent has failed to exercise reasonable care and diligence in the treatment of patients based upon generally accepted scientific principles, methods, treatments, and current professional theory and practice, in violation of 844 IAC 5-2-5, and knowingly violated any state statute or rule, or federal statute or regulation, regulating the profession in question and is subject to discipline pursuant to Ind. Code § 25-1-9-4(a)(3).

16. By her failure to keep accurate records of prescriptions actually written, Respondent has failed to exercise reasonable care and diligence in the treatment of patients based upon generally accepted scientific principles, methods, treatments, and current professional theory and practice, in violation of 844 IAC 5-2-5, and knowingly violated any state statute or rule, or federal statute or regulation, regulating the profession in question and is subject to discipline pursuant to Ind. Code § 25-1-9-4(a)(3).

**ACCORDINGLY**, Petitioner demands this Board enter an order finding that:

1. Respondent is subject to discipline according to Ind. Code § 25-1-9;
2. Imposes an appropriate disciplinary sanction;
3. Directs the Respondent to immediately pay all cost incurred in the prosecution of this case; and
4. Provides any further relief that the Board deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a copy of the foregoing "Amended Administrative Complaint" has been served upon the Respondent at the address listed below, by United States First Class Mail on this 2nd day of October, 2018.

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