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**BEFORE THE
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

(504) _____

No. 2019-I-648

IN THE MATTER OF:

CONSENT ORDER

ANSHUMAN JYOTI, M.D.

(Credential No. MD.204139),

Respondent

Anshuman Jyoti, M.D. ("Dr. Jyoti") is, and at all times present hereto has been, a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana, pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act ("the Act"), La. R.S. 37:1261 *et seq.*, as evidenced by credential No. MD.204139. Dr. Jyoti principally practices as a psychiatrist in and around Shreveport, Louisiana.

Dr. Jyoti had no prior history of disciplinary action before the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board"). The Board opened the above-captioned investigation when Dr. Jyoti's was arrested for solicitation, a violation of La. R.S. 14:83, while under a confidential monitoring contract with the Healthcare Professionals' Foundation of Louisiana ("HPFL"), Physicians' Health Program ("PHP").¹ In the course of the investigation, Dr. Jyoti submitted to a fitness for duty evaluation at a board-approved facility. The evaluation facility recommended that Dr. Jyoti participate in a monitoring agreement with the HPFL PHP and obtain additional testing and medical evaluation. Dr. Jyoti thereafter completed the recommended evaluations and provided reports to the Board and to the evaluation facility. The evaluation facility concluded that Dr. Jyoti did not appear to be medically impaired, and that with additional support and treatment he could return to work. Dr. Jyoti began outpatient treatment but experienced a relapse involving alcohol shortly after his treatment began.

Dr. Jyoti began relapse treatment at a Board-approved facility in April of 2021 and thereafter completed the facility's recommendation for six months of sober living.² In a letter provided to the HPFL in December 2021, Dr. Jyoti's treating physician stated his belief that Dr. Jyoti was now "qualified to practice his profession with skill and safety" pending approval of

¹ At the time of his arrest in 2019, Dr. Jyoti already was under a voluntary five-year agreement with the HPFL, executed on November 26, 2018, and this contract has remained in place throughout the investigation. Dr. Jyoti participated in a pretrial diversion program and the criminal charges against him were dismissed.

² Dr. Jyoti removed himself from practice while completing this six-month period of sober living.

HPFL and the Board and that Dr. Jyoti “appears to be in stable sobriety with a good prognosis for continued sobriety.”

Predicated upon the information outlined above, the Investigating Officer assigned by the Board with respect to this matter, determined that reasonable cause exists to pursue administrative proceedings against Dr. Jyoti for violation of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, La. R.S. 37:1285(A)(13) and (25).³

As evidenced by his subscription hereto, Dr. Jyoti acknowledges that the foregoing information would constitute probable cause for the institution of administrative proceedings against his medical licensure, pursuant to Administrative Complaint, and that proof of such information upon administrative evidentiary hearing may establish grounds under the Act for the suspension or revocation of his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana or other such action as the Board might deem appropriate.

Recognizing his right to written notification of any charges that may be asserted against him as a result of this investigation, as well as the right to administrative adjudication of such charges, at which time he would be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence in defense or in mitigation of the charges made and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:951 *et seq.*, Dr. Jyoti, nonetheless, hereby waives his rights to notice, formal adjudication and written decision and, pursuant to La. R.S. 49:955(D), consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. Furthermore, Dr. Jyoti acknowledges that he hereby waives any right to which he may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:951 *et seq.*, or to which he otherwise may be afforded by any law to contest his agreement to or the force and effect of the Board’s investigation or this document in any court or other forum relating to the matters referred to herein. Dr. Jyoti also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Consent Order to the Board for its consideration and to fully disclose and to discuss with the Board the nature and result of the investigation and waives any objection to such disclosures under La. R.S. 49:960. The disclosure of information to the Board by the Investigating Officer shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer’s authority to pursue formal administrative charges against him or to the Board’s capacity to adjudicate such charges should the Board decline to approve this Consent Order.

Based upon the information provided, and upon the recommendation of the Investigating Officer, the Board hereby concludes that, consistent with its mandate under La. R.S. 37:1261, the interests of public health, safety, and welfare will be effectively served by entry of the Order set forth hereinafter, by consent. Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. R.S. 37:1285 and La. R.S. 49:955(D);

³ La. R.S. 37:1285(A)(13) (“Unprofessional conduct”); La. R.S. 37:1285(A)(25) (“Inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill or safety to patients because of mental illness or deficiency; physical illness, including but not limited to deterioration through the aging process or loss of motor skills; and/or, excessive use or abuse of drugs, including alcohol.”).

IT IS ORDERED that Dr. Jyoti's license to practice medicine in the State of Louisiana as evidenced by credential No. MD.204139 is hereby placed ***ON PROBATION*** for a period of five (5) years (the "probationary period") from the date of this order, conditioned upon and subject to Dr. Jyoti's acceptance of and strict compliance with the following terms, conditions, and restrictions:

- (1) Maintenance of Complete Abstinence.** Dr. Jyoti shall maintain complete and total abstinence from the use of alcohol, controlled and any mood-altering substance for the duration of the probationary period, except as may be prescribed by a treating physician other than himself for a *bona fide* medical condition. Dr. Jyoti shall personally inform the PHP and the Board's Compliance Officer, both orally and in writing, within forty-eight (48) hours of the prescription or administration of any controlled or mood-altering substance received by him from any physician for treatment of a *bona fide* medical condition. If the prescription is from another physician, he shall also inform his treating/monitoring physician in this same manner.
- (2) Continuing Treatment, Participation in PHP, Reports to Board.** Dr. Jyoti shall continue to maintain a monitoring agreement with the HPFL PHP during the probationary period. Dr. Jyoti shall continue in, abide by and strictly adhere to all recommendations for ongoing treatment and monitoring which are contained in his current PHP monitoring agreement executed on November 26, 2018 and any amendments thereto, or any subsequent agreement or amendments thereto which may be recommended by the PHP as well as those recommended by his treating physicians and those prescribed by any other health care provider involved in his care to the extent that they continue to follow him. Dr. Jyoti shall, in addition, authorize and cause his treating and monitoring physicians and/or the PHP to submit to the Board or its designee, not less frequently than quarterly, written reports and/or oral reports, should the Board or its designee desire the latter, on his then-current treatment diagnosis, prognosis, course of treatment, his fitness and ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients, and his compliance with the terms, conditions and restrictions of this Order and his PHP monitoring agreement.
- (3) Drug Screens.** Dr. Jyoti shall submit to periodic, unannounced blood, urine, saliva and/or hair collection for testing for the presence of alcohol and/or controlled and other mood-altering substances by the PHP or its designee. Unless and until this condition is modified or rescinded by the Board or its designee, he shall authorize and cause such physician or testing facility and/or the PHP to report the results of such drug screens to the Board or its designee not less frequently than quarterly throughout the probationary period.
- (4) Board Access to Treatment Records and Reports.** Dr. Jyoti shall and does by his subscription hereto authorize any physician, healthcare professional or any institution at which he undergoes treatment, as well as any physician under whose care he may

come at such an institution, who has or may hereafter evaluate, diagnose, treat or monitor him, to provide the Board or its designee with copies of all medical reports relating to Dr. Jyoti's history, examination, evaluation, diagnosis, treatment and prognosis and to provide the Board or its designee with written and oral reports relative thereto. Dr. Jyoti expressly waives any privilege that may otherwise be afforded the disclosure of such records pursuant to state or federal law and acknowledges that he shall immediately provide the Board or its designee written authorization to obtain such records upon request.

- (5) Notification of Order and Authorization.** Dr. Jyoti shall provide a copy of this Consent Order to each hospital, clinic, facility or other employer or prospective employer at which or for whom he provides services as a physician in this state, and upon request of the Board's probation officer Dr. Jyoti shall immediately execute and provide, as may be necessary, authorization to obtain any and all peer review records or other employment records pertaining to Dr. Jyoti from any hospital, institution or other health care entity where Dr. Jyoti has or has had privileges.
- (6) Course on Ethics/Professionalism.** Within twelve (12) months of the effective date of this Order, Dr. Jyoti shall attend and successfully complete a course (or courses) on Ethics/Professionalism. The course shall be approved in advance by the Board or its designee. On or before the expiration of twelve (12) months from the effective date of this Order, Dr. Jyoti shall cause to be submitted to the Board or its designee written certification of satisfaction of the requirements of this provision.
- (7) Probation Monitoring Fee.** For each year of the probation, Dr. Jyoti shall pay the Board an annual probation monitoring fee of Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars. Payment of the initial fee shall be due not later than sixty (60) days from the date of this order. All subsequent annual payments shall be due on or before the anniversary date of the initial fee payment.
- (8) Cooperation with Board's Probation and Compliance Officer.** Dr. Jyoti shall immediately notify the Board's Probation and Compliance Officer of any change in his current home and professional addresses and telephone numbers and he shall direct all matters required pursuant to this consent Order to the attention of the Probation and Compliance Officers, with whom he shall cooperate on all matters and inquiries pertaining to his compliance with the terms and conditions of this Consent Order.
- (9) Effect of Violation/Sanction.** By his subscription hereto, Dr. Jyoti acknowledges that his receipt of written notification that the Board has received reliable information indicating his failure to comply with the requirements set forth by this Consent Order in any respect shall, without the need for formal hearing or for providing him with any right to which he may otherwise be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act, La. R.S. 49:951, *et seq.*, or which otherwise may be afforded to him by

law, constitute his irrevocable consent to the immediate or continued suspension of his license to practice medicine in this state pending a hearing before the Board and the conclusion of the administrative proceeding by issuance of a final decision following administrative adjudication of such charges.

(10) Certification of Compliance with Probationary Terms. At least sixty (60) days prior to the conclusion of the probationary period imposed herein, Dr. Jyoti shall provide the Board with an affidavit certifying that he has complied with each of the terms of probation imposed by this Order. The probationary period and all of its terms and conditions shall be, and shall be deemed to be, extended and continued in full force and effect pending Dr. Jyoti's compliance with the requirements of this provision.

(11) Effective Date. This Consent Order shall be effective as of the date it is approved and accepted by the Board as shown by the signature of the Board's representative below.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation of or failure to strictly comply with this Order by Dr. Jyoti shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for such action against Dr. Jyoti's license to practice medicine in this state as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violation were enumerated among the causes provided in La. R.S. 37:1285.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 24th day of January, 2022.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By: 
LESTER W. JOHNSON, M.D.
President

Acknowledgment and Consent on Following Page

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSENT**

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF Caddo

I, ANSHUMAN JYOTI, M.D., hereby acknowledge that I have had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Consent Order and that all of its terms and conditions have been fully explained to me and/or that I fully understand them. I further acknowledge that I approve, accept, and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order without duress and of my own free will and accord, this 13th day of January, 2022.

Anshuman Jyoti MD
ANSHUMAN JYOTI, M.D.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this
13th day of January, 2022, in the
presence of the two stated witnesses.

Patricia Covington
Notary Public (Signature)

Name: Patricia Covington
Notary/Bar No.: 38136
Commission expires: upon death

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Notary Public, State of Louisiana
Parish of Caddo
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