

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, SS.

Board of Registration in Medicine

Adjudicatory Case No. 2021-008

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In the Matter of )  
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YASHWANT S. CHAUDHRI, M.D. )  
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**CONSENT ORDER**

Pursuant to Mass. Gen. Laws c. 30A, § 10, Yashwant S. Chaudhri, M.D. (the "Respondent" or "Licensee") and the Board of Registration in Medicine (the "Board") (hereinafter referred to jointly as the "Parties") agree that the Board may issue this Consent Order to resolve the above-captioned adjudicatory proceeding. The Parties further agree that this Consent Order will have all the force and effect of a Final Decision within the meaning of 801 CMR 1.01(11)(d). The Respondent admits to the findings of fact specified below and agrees that the Board may make the conclusions of law and impose the sanction set forth below in resolution of Investigative Docket Number 20-410.

**Findings of Fact**

1. The Respondent is a 1983 graduate of the Government Medical College Patiala in Punjab, India. He is not licensed by any medical specialty board. When he was licensed to practice medicine with this Board, he listed his practice specialty as Psychiatry. He was licensed to practice medicine in Massachusetts under certificate number 155100 beginning on July 30, 1997. His license to practice medicine in Massachusetts lapsed on December 28, 1997 due to his

failure to renew it. The Respondent resides and is currently licensed to practice medicine in California.

2. The Medical Board of California (CA Board) disciplined the Respondent due to his care and treatment of one patient (Patient A).

3. The CA Board disciplined the Respondent due to his failure to properly document multiple aspects of Patient A's care, including informed consent for treatment with psychiatric medications, the rationale for changes in the medication regimen, maintenance of comprehensive medical records, and timely dictation of admission evaluations.

4. The Respondent did not properly terminate his care of Patient A.

5. The Respondent did not timely review, consider, and/or clinically respond to pertinent information regarding Patient A's care and changes in condition as described in the CA Board's Accusation.<sup>1</sup>

6. The CA Board disciplined the Respondent with regard to his care for Patient A on the bases of Gross Negligence, Repeated Negligent Acts, Failure to Maintain Adequate and Accurate Medical Records, and General Unprofessional Conduct.

7. The CA Board reprimanded the Respondent's license and required that he complete a prescribing practices course, a medical records keeping course, and a clinical competence assessment program. See CA Board Order attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

8. The New York State Board for Professional Misconduct disciplined the Respondent based upon CA Board's disciplinary action.

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<sup>1</sup> The CA Board Accusation is akin to our Statement of Allegations.

### Conclusions of Law

9. Pursuant to 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)12, the Board may discipline a physician upon proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, that said physician has been disciplined in another jurisdiction in any way by the proper licensing authority for reasons substantially the same as those set forth in M.G.L. c. 112, § 5 or 243 CMR 1.03(5)—to wit:

- A. Levy v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 378 Mass. 519 (1979) and Raymond v. Board of Registration in Medicine, 387 Mass. 708 (1982), which provide for discipline where, by proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, a physician has engaged in conduct that undermines the confidence in the integrity of the medical profession;
- B. 243 CMR 2.07(13)(a), which requires physicians to maintain complete and accurate medical records;
- C. 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)18, which allows the Board to discipline a physician for misconduct in the practice of medicine; and
- D. M.G.L. c. 112, §5, eighth par. (c) and 243 CMR 1.03(5)(a)3, which allows the Board to discipline a physician upon proof satisfactory to a majority of the Board, that said physician engaged in conduct that places into question the physician's competence to practice medicine, including but not limited to gross misconduct in the practice of medicine, or practicing medicine fraudulently, or beyond its authorized scope, or with gross incompetence, or with gross negligence on a particular occasion or negligence on repeated occasions.

### Sanction and Order

The Respondent's license is hereby reprimanded.

### Execution of this Consent Order

Complaint Counsel, the Respondent, and the Respondent agree that the approval of this Consent Order is left to the discretion of the Board. The signature of Complaint Counsel, the Respondent, and the Respondent's counsel are expressly conditioned on the Board accepting this Consent Order. If the Board rejects this Consent Order in whole or in part, then the entire document shall be null and void; thereafter, neither of the parties nor anyone else may rely on these stipulations in this proceeding.

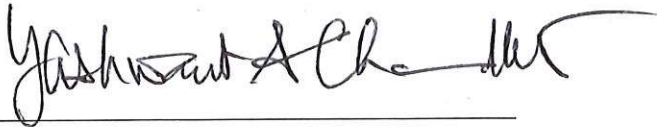
As to any matter in this Consent Order left to the discretion of the Board, neither the Respondent, nor anyone acting on his behalf, has received any promises or representations regarding the same.

The Respondent waives any right of appeal that he may have resulting from the Board's acceptance of this Consent Order.

The Respondent shall provide a complete copy of this Consent Order with all exhibits and attachments, within ten (10) days by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by hand delivery to the following designated entities: any in- or out-of-state hospital, nursing home, clinic, other licensed facility, or municipal, state, or federal facility at which he practices medicine; any in- or out-of-state health maintenance organization with whom he has privileges or any other kind of association; any state agency, in- or out-of-state, with which he has a provider contract; any in- or out-of-state medical employer, whether or not he practices medicine there; and the state licensing boards of all states in which he has any kind of license to practice medicine; the Drug Enforcement Administration Boston Diversion Group; and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Drug Control Program. The Respondent shall also provide this notification to any such designated

entities with which he becomes associated in the year following the date of imposition of this reprimand. The Respondent is further directed to certify to the Board within ten (10) days that he has complied with this directive.

The Board expressly reserves the authority to independently notify, at any time, any of the entities designated above, or any other affected entity, of any action it has taken.



Yashwant S. Chaudhri, M.D.  
Licensee

Date

10/08/2022



Robert E. Harvey  
Board Counsel

Date

10/26/2022

So ORDERED by the Board of Registration in Medicine this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, ~~2021~~ 2022.



Julian Robinson, M.D.  
Chair