IN THE MATTER OF

MARIA SHESIUK, PA-C

Respondent

License No: C04925

\* BEFORE THE

\* MARYLAND STATE

\* BOARD OF PHYSICIANS

\* Case No: 7718-0065B

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## ORDER TERMINATING SUSPENSION AND IMPOSING PROBATION

On December 14, 2017, Maria Shesiuk, PA-C, license number C04925, and Disciplinary Panel B ("Panel B") of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") entered into a Consent Order. Under the terms of the Consent Order, Panel B suspended Ms. Shesiuk's license and required her to enroll in the Maryland Professional Rehabilitation Program ("MPRP") for evaluation and treatment with monitoring from MPRP. On February 6, 2018, the Consent Order was amended to fix an administrative error. The amended Consent Order provides that if MPRP determines that Ms. Shesiuk is safe to return to the practice as a Physician Assistant and if she has complied with MPRP's recommendations and requirements she may petition Panel B to lift the suspension of her license. The Consent Order also provides that if the suspension is terminated Panel B may impose any terms and conditions it deems appropriate on her return to practice.

On February 2, 2018, MPRP provided a written update to Panel B on Ms. Shesiuk's ongoing participation in and compliance with MPRP's programs. MPRP determined that Ms. Shesiuk is safe to return to the practice of medicine and has complied with MPRP's recommendations. On February 2, 2018, Ms. Shesiuk sent an

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the February 6, 2018, amended Consent Order is incorporated by reference and available on request.

email to the Board seeking termination of her suspension. Ms. Shesiuk appeared before Panel B for consideration of her petition on February 28, 2018.

Panel B finds that Ms. Shesiuk has complied with the terms of the amended Consent Order and is safe to return to practice as a physician assistant. It is, thus, hereby

ORDERED that the suspension imposed under the February 6, 2018, amended Consent Order is **TERMINATED** and Ms. Shesiuk's physician assistant license (license # C04925) is **REINSTATED**; and it is further

ORDERED that Ms. Shesiuk is placed on PROBATION for a minimum period of THREE (3) YEARS.<sup>2</sup> During the probationary period, Ms. Shesiuk shall fully and satisfactorily comply with the following probationary terms and conditions:

1. Ms. Shesiuk shall remain enrolled in MPRP for the length of time recommended by MPRP and shall continue Participant Rehabilitation Agreement(s) and Participant Rehabilitation Plan(s) or be entered into amended Participant Rehabilitation Agreement(s) and Participant Rehabilitation Plan(s) as determined by MPRP. Ms. Shesiuk shall fully and timely cooperate and comply with all of MPRP's referrals, rules, and requirements, including but not limited to, the terms and conditions of the Participant Rehabilitation Agreement(s) and Participant Rehabilitation Plan(s) entered into with MPRP, and shall fully participate and comply with all therapy, treatment, evaluations, and toxicology screenings as directed by MPRP;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If Ms. Shesiuk's license expires while she is on probation, the probationary period and any probationary conditions will be tolled.

- 2. Ms. Shesiuk shall sign and update the written release/consent forms as requested by the Board and MPRP. Ms. Shesiuk shall sign the release/consent forms to authorize MPRP to make verbal and written disclosures to the Board, including disclosure of any and all MPRP records and files possessed by MPRP. Ms. Shesiuk shall also sign any written release/consent forms to authorize MPRP to exchange with (i.e., disclose to and receive from) outside entities (including all of Ms. Shesiuk's current therapists and treatment providers) verbal and written information concerning Ms. Shesiuk and to ensure that MPRP is authorized to receive the medical records of Ms. Shesiuk, including, but not limited to, mental health and drug or alcohol treatment records;
- 3. A positive result on any toxicology screening contrary to the MPRP Rehabilitation Agreement or Rehabilitation Plan or any other violation of any term or condition of the MPRP Rehabilitation Agreement or Rehabilitation Plan may be a violation of Ms. Shesiuk's probation and this Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation;
- 4. Ms. Shesiuk shall comply with the Maryland Physician Assistants Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 15-101 through 15-502, and all laws and regulations governing the practice of medicine in Maryland.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Ms. Shesiuk allegedly fails to comply with any term or condition of probation or this Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation, Ms. Shesiuk shall be given notice and an opportunity for a hearing. If there is a genuine dispute as to a material fact, the hearing shall be before an Administrative

Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings and if there is no genuine dispute as to a material fact, Ms. Shesiuk shall be given a show cause hearing before the Board or Panel B; and it is further

ORDERED that, after the appropriate hearing, if the Board or Panel B determines that Ms. Shesiuk has failed to comply with any term or condition of probation or this Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation, the Board or Panel B may reprimand Ms. Shesiuk, place Ms. Shesiuk on probation with appropriate terms and conditions, or suspend or revoke Ms. Shesiuk's license to practice medicine in Maryland. The Board or Panel B may, in addition to one or more of the sanctions set forth above, impose a civil monetary fine upon Ms. Shesiuk; and it is further

ORDERED that Panel B will consider a petition for early termination of probation if Ms. Shesiuk enters into a disposition agreement with the Board or Panel B that would require her to remain enrolled in monitoring through MPRP and in compliance with conditions identical to Conditions 1-4 as set forth in this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that if Ms. Shesiuk has not petitioned for early termination through the provision above, after a minimum period of THREE (3) YEARS, Ms. Shesiuk may submit a written petition to the Board requesting termination of probation. After consideration of the petition, the probation may be terminated through an order of the Board or Panel B. Ms. Shesiuk may be required to appear before the Board or Panel B to discuss her petition for termination. The Board or Panel B will grant the petition to terminate the probation if Ms. Shesiuk has fully and satisfactorily complied with all of the probationary terms and conditions and there are no pending complaints related to the charges; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Ms. Shesiuk is responsible for all costs incurred in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that, unless stated otherwise in the Order, any time period prescribed in this Order begins when this Order goes into effect. This Order goes into effect upon the signature of the Board's Executive Director, who signs on behalf of Panel B; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order is a public document pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4–101 *et seq.* 

03/09/2018 Date

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director Maryland State Board of Physicians