

IN THE MATTER OF * **BEFORE THE MARYLAND**
Hazem Hawasli, M.D. * **STATE BOARD OF**
Respondent * **PHYSICIANS**
License Number: D0074477 * **Case Number: 2225-0025**

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CONSENT ORDER

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

The Maryland Board of Physicians (the “Maryland Board”) received information that Hazem Hawasli, M.D., (the “Respondent”) License Number D0074477, was disciplined by the Michigan Board of Medicine (the “Michigan Board”). In a Consent Order and Stipulation dated June 18, 2024, the Michigan Board disciplined the Respondent by assessing a fine and placing the Respondent on probation with terms and conditions.

Based on the above referenced Michigan Board sanction, the Maryland Board has grounds to charge the Respondent with violating the following provisions of the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the “Act”), under H. O. § 14-404(a):

- (a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 14-405 of this subtitle, a disciplinary panel, on the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum of the disciplinary panel, may reprimand any licensee, place any licensee on probation, or suspend or revoke a license if the licensee:
 - (21) Is disciplined by a licensing or disciplinary authority or convicted or disciplined by a court of any state or country or disciplined by any branch of the United States uniformed services or the Veteran’s Administration for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under this section,

Disciplinary Panel A ("Panel A") has determined that the acts for which the Respondent was disciplined in Michigan would be grounds for disciplinary action under H.O. § 14-404(a). The grounds for disciplinary action under H.O. § 14-404(a) is as follows:

(43) Except for the licensure process described under Subtitle 3A of this title, violates any provision of this title, any rule or regulation adopted by the Board, or any State or federal law pertaining to the practice of medicine:

According to Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR 10.32.01):

.08 Renewals

H. A licensee applying for renewal shall complete the CME requirements as defined in Regulation .10 of this chapter.

.10 Continuing Medical Education

C. Requirements.

(1) In accordance with the requirements specified in §C(2) of this regulation, an applicant shall earn at least 50 credit hours of Category 1 CME during a 2-year period.¹

D. On the application form for renewal or reinstatement, the applicant shall attest to the fact that the applicant has completed the CME requirement.

Based on the action taken by the Michigan Board, the Respondent agrees to enter into this Consent Order with Panel A, consisting of Procedural Background, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order and Consent.

¹ "2-year period" means: (i) For license renewal, the 2 years preceding the expiration of the physician license or (ii) For license reinstatement, the 2 years preceding the date of the submission of the application for reinstatement of the physician license. COMAR 10.32.01.10A(2)(a).

FINDINGS OF FACT

Panel A makes the following findings of fact:

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was initially licensed in Maryland on or about June 20, 2012.

2. In its June 18, 2024, Consent Order and Stipulation, the Michigan Board found that the Respondent failed to submit proof of compliance with respect to the continuing education and Implicit Bias requirements.

3. By Consent Order and Stipulation dated June 18, 2024, the Michigan Board disciplined the Respondent by assessing a fine and placing the Respondent on probation with terms and conditions.

A copy of the Michigan Board Consent Order and Stipulation is attached hereto.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, Panel A concludes as a matter of law that the Respondent is subject to discipline under Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(21) for the disciplinary action taken by the Michigan Board against the Respondent for an act or acts that would be grounds for disciplinary action under Health Occ. §14-404(a)(43).

ORDER

It is, thus, by Panel A, hereby:

ORDERED that the Respondent's license to practice medicine in the State of Maryland is hereby **REPRIMANDED**; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent is placed on **PROBATION** until the terms and conditions of the Michigan Board Consent Order and Stipulation are met.

ORDERED that the effective date of the Consent Order is the date the Consent Order is signed by the Executive Director of the Board or her designee. The Executive Director or her designee signs the Consent Order on behalf of the disciplinary panel which has imposed the terms and conditions of this Consent Order; and it is further

ORDERED that the Respondent is responsible for all costs incurred in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this Consent Order; and it is further

ORDERED that, if the Respondent allegedly fails to comply with any term or condition imposed by this Consent Order, the Respondent shall be given notice and an opportunity for a hearing. If the disciplinary panel determines 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 followed by an exceptions process before a disciplinary panel; and if the disciplinary panel determines there is no genuine dispute as to a material fact, the Respondent shall be given a show cause hearing before a disciplinary panel; and it is further

ORDERED that, after the appropriate hearing, if the disciplinary panel determines that the Respondent has failed to comply with any term or condition imposed by this Consent Order, the disciplinary panel may reprimand the Respondent, place the Respondent on probation with appropriate terms and conditions, or suspend Respondent's license with appropriate terms and conditions, or revoke the Respondent's license. The disciplinary panel may, in addition to one or more of the sanctions set forth above, impose a civil monetary fine on the Respondent; and it is further

ORDERED that this Consent Order is a public document. *See* Health Occ. §§1-607, 14-411.1(b)(2) and Gen. Prov. §4-333(b)(6).

08/15/2024
Date

Signature On File

Christine A. Farrelly
Executive Director
Maryland Board of Physicians

CONSENT

I, _____, acknowledge that I have consulted with legal counsel before signing this document.

[OR]

I, Hazem Hawasli, acknowledge that I am aware of my right to consult with and be represented by counsel in considering this Consent Order. I have chosen to proceed without counsel and I acknowledge that the decision to proceed without counsel is freely and voluntarily made.

By this Consent, I agree to be bound by this Consent Order and all its terms and conditions and understand that the disciplinary panel will not entertain any request for amendments or modifications to any condition.

I assert that I am aware of my right to a formal evidentiary hearing, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 14-405 and Md. Code Ann., State Gov't §§ 10-201 *et seq.* concerning the pending charges. I waive this right and have elected to sign this Consent Order instead.

I acknowledge the validity and enforceability of this Consent Order as if entered after the conclusion of a formal evidentiary hearing in which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my behalf, and to all other substantive and procedural protections as provided by law. I waive those procedural and substantive protections. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the disciplinary panel to initiate these proceedings and to issue and enforce this Consent Order.

I voluntarily enter into and agree to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the Consent Order as a resolution of the charges. I waive any right to contest the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and Order set out in the Consent Order. I waive all rights to appeal this Consent Order.

I sign this Consent Order, without reservation, and fully understand the language and meaning of its terms.

Signature On File

8/12/2024
Date

Hazem Hawasli, M.D.
Respondent

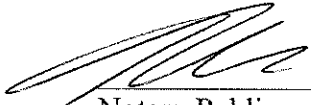
NOTARY

STATE OF Michigan

CITY/COUNTY OF Oakland

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 12th day of August, 2024, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, Hazem Hawasli, M.D. and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Order was his voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal.

 Timothy Muraeky
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 09/13/2029

TIMOTHY MURAEKY
Notary Public, State of Michigan
County of Macomb
My Commission Expires 09-13-2029
Acting in the County of Oakland

~~(10/28/2020)~~

Attachment 1

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING
BOARD OF MEDICINE
DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

In the Matter of

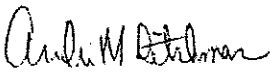
HAZEM HAWASLI, M.D.
License No. 4301090368
Respondent.

File No. CEA24-007684
CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

STIPULATION

Respondent acknowledges the facts and violations of the Public Health Code, MCL 333.1101 *et seq.*, as set forth in the Administrative Complaint; voluntarily waives the opportunity to show compliance, to have a hearing, to be represented by an attorney, and to have the appearance of witnesses; and agrees to the sanctions set forth in the following Consent Order.

The Department and Respondent agree that the Michigan Board of Medicine may enter an Order as stipulated above.



Andria Ditschman, Manager
CE Audit Section
Enforcement Division
Bureau of Professional Licensing



HAZEM HAWASLI, Respondent

Date: 6/18/24

Date: 6/16/2024

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CONSENT ORDER

IT IS FOUND that Respondent violated the continuing education requirements for license renewal, contrary to MCL 333.17033, and Mich Admin Code, R 338.2441, R 338.2413, R 338.7004, and R 338.3135 in violation of MCL 333.16221(h); accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED that Respondent is:

1. FINED \$420.00, to be paid to the State of Michigan within 60 days from the effective date of this Order. The fine shall be paid electronically through Respondent's MIPLUS account or by check or money order made payable to the state of Michigan and shall clearly display file number **CEA24-007684**; license number **4301090368**; and name **HAZEM HAWASLI**. Respondent shall mail the fine to **Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Enforcement Division, Compliance Section, P.O. Box 30189, Lansing, MI 48909**.
2. Placed on PROBATION for a minimum period of one day and not to exceed a period of one year until the Respondent has completed the hours of continuing education and

Implicit Bias training that Respondent was deficient in during the audit period. The continuing education and implicit bias training hours utilized to satisfy the sanctions herein shall not apply in computing Respondent's compliance with current continuing education and implicit bias training requirements for license renewal.

Probation shall automatically terminate upon completion of the required deficient hours and payment of the fine.


After the final order is effective, Respondent shall submit proof of completed hours to BPL-Monitoring@michigan.gov or by mail to Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Enforcement Division, Compliance Section, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

Failure to pay the fine or complete the deficient hours within the time allotted shall result in suspension of the license. The suspension shall be automatically lifted if the fine is paid in full and the deficient hours are completed within six months of the suspension. However, if the license remains suspended for more than six months due to failure to pay the fine or complete the deficient hours, the licensee must apply for reinstatement of the license in accordance with MCL 333.16245 and MCL 333.16247.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be effective on the date signed by the Disciplinary Subcommittee's Chairperson or authorized representative, as set forth below.

MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE
DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

Date: 6/18/24

By: 
Andria Ditschman, Manager
CE Audit Section
Enforcement Division
Bureau of Professional Licensing

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ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, by Andria Ditschman, CE Audit Section Manager, Enforcement Division, Bureau of Professional Licensing, complains against Respondent as follows:

1. The Michigan Board of Medicine is an administrative agency established by the Public Health Code, MCL 333.1101 *et seq.* Pursuant to MCL 333.16226, the Board's Disciplinary Subcommittee is empowered to discipline licensees for violations of the Code.
2. Respondent is licensed as a Medical Doctor in the state of Michigan.
3. The Department audited Respondent's compliance with Respondent's continuing education and Implicit Bias requirements and determined that Respondent failed to submit proof of compliance with the requirements. A copy of the Department's audit results, marked Exhibit A, is attached and incorporated.

COUNT I

Respondent failed to comply with the continuing education and Implicit Bias requirements for license renewal, contrary to Mich Admin Code, R 338.2441, R 338.2443 and R 338.7004(2), in violation of MCL 333.16221(h).

RESPONDENT IS NOTIFIED that, pursuant to MCL 333.16231(8), Respondent has 30 days from the date of receipt of this Complaint to submit a written response to the allegations contained in this Complaint. Pursuant to MCL 333.16192(2), Respondent is deemed to be in receipt of the complaint 3 days after the date of mailing. Respondent shall submit the response by email to BPL-Audit@michigan.gov or by mail to the **Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Professional Licensing, CE Audit, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.**

Respondent's failure to submit an answer within 30 days is an admission of the allegation in this Complaint. If Respondent fails to answer, the Department shall transmit this Complaint directly to the Board's Disciplinary Subcommittee to impose a sanction, pursuant to MCL 333.16231(9).

Date: May 29, 2024



Andria Ditschman, CE Audit Section Manager
Enforcement Division
Bureau of Professional Licensing

Attachment