

<b>IN THE MATTER OF</b>	*	<b>BEFORE THE</b>
<b>ETHAN SALES, M.D.</b>	*	<b>MARYLAND STATE</b>
<b>Respondent</b>	*	<b>BOARD OF PHYSICIANS</b>
<b>License Number: D0098507</b>	*	<b>Case Number: 2225-0131 B</b>

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**CONSENT ORDER**

In or around March 2025, the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”) opened an investigation of **ETHAN SALES, M.D.** (the “Respondent”), License Number D0098507. Based on its investigation, the Board determined it has grounds to charge the Respondent with violating the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the “Act”), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. (“Health Occ.”) §§ 14-101 *et seq.* (2021 Repl. Vol. & 2024 Supp.).

The pertinent provisions of the Act provide:

**Health Occ. § 14-404. Denials, reprimands, probations, suspensions, and revocations—Grounds.**

- (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 Veterans Administration for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under this section[.]

With respect to Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(21), the Respondent was disciplined for act(s) that would be grounds for disciplinary action under the following provisions of Health Occ. § 14-404(a):

- (1) Fraudulently or deceptively obtains or attempts to obtain a license for the applicant or licensee or for another;

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- (36) Willfully makes a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine[.]

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact:

1. The Respondent was originally licensed to practice medicine in Maryland on August 31, 2023, under License Number D0098507. The Respondent's license is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2025, subject to renewal.

2. The Respondent is board-certified in psychiatry. He has active licenses to practice medicine in Washington, D.C. and Ohio.

3. By email to the Board dated January 7, 2025, the Respondent self-reported discipline imposed upon his license by the State Medical Board of Ohio on or about December 11, 2024.

4. On or about December 11, 2024, the Respondent entered into a Consent Order before the State Medical Board of Ohio, which imposed the sanction of a reprimand for failing to disclose several disciplinary actions taken against him during his residency in Washington, D.C. on his New License Application to the State Medical Board of Ohio, and for failing to disclose the disciplinary actions taken against him during his residency

and while he was in medical school to the Federation Credentials Verification Service (“FCVS”).<sup>1</sup>

5. The Respondent submitted the New License Application to the State Medical Board of Ohio on or about April 11, 2023.

6. The disciplinary actions taken against the Respondent during his residency included but were not limited to the following:

- i. In or about July 2019, the Program Director for the residency program gave the Respondent a verbal warning after the Human Resources Department received a complaint regarding the Respondent’s unprofessional conduct.
- ii. On or about January 29, 2020, the residency issued a written warning to the Respondent based upon a finding that his performance in the areas of professionalism, patient care and interpersonal and communication skills during the Internal Medicine rotation were unacceptable and that his skills fell below the starting level of a PGY-1<sup>2</sup> postgraduate physician.
- iii. On or about August 5, 2020, the Respondent received a reprimand from the residency for unprofessional and otherwise unacceptable conduct and language at work;
- iv. On or about April 14, 2021, the Respondent received a three-workday suspension without pay from the residency due to an incident on or about October 21, 2020 in which the Respondent used offensive, unprofessional, or otherwise unacceptable language, and created a disturbance or disruption; and
- v. On or about October 25, 2022, the Respondent entered into a resolution agreement for a four-workday suspension without pay from the residency due to an incident in which the Respondent engaged in conduct that included the use of “abusive, offensive, unprofessional,

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<sup>1</sup> The FCVS is a service offered by the Federation of State Medical Boards that verifies and stores physician credentials in an electronic database.

<sup>2</sup> “PGY-1” stands for “post-graduate year one.” It refers to the first year of post-graduate medical training after the completion of medical school.

distracting, or otherwise unacceptable language, gestures, or other conduct; quarreling; creating a disturbance or disruption; or inappropriate horseplay.”

7. The disciplinary actions taken against the Respondent while he was in medical school included but were not limited to the following:

- i. The medical school placed the Respondent on an academic leave of absence after he experienced academic difficulty in the second year and repeated the year; and
- ii. The Respondent had to repeat the fourth year of medical school due to academic difficulty and difficulty with professional conduct.

8. According to the December 11, 2024 Consent Order before the State Medical Board of Ohio, the Respondent failed to report the disciplinary actions taken against him during residency and during medical school to the FCVS.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the Findings of Fact, Disciplinary Panel B of the Board concludes as a matter of law that the Respondent was disciplined by a licensing or disciplinary authority of another state for an act that would be grounds for disciplinary action under Health Occ. § 14-404(a) in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(21); *to wit*, for fraudulently or deceptively obtaining or attempting to obtain a license for the applicant or licensee or for another in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(1), and for willfully making a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine, in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(36).

### **ORDER**

It is, thus, by Disciplinary Panel B of the Board, hereby:

**ORDERED** that the Respondent is **REPRIMANDED**; and it is further

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

08/26/2025  
Date

*Signature on file*

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

## CONSENT

I, Ethan Sales, M.D., acknowledge that I have consulted with counsel before signing this document.

By this Consent Order, I agree to be bound by this Consent Order and all its terms and conditions and understand that the disciplinary panel will not entertain requests 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 this 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.

08/22/2025  
Date

*Signature on file*  
Ethan Sales, M.D.

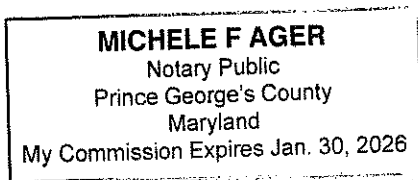
**NOTARY**

STATE OF Maryland

CITY/COUNTY OF Calvert

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 22nd day of August, 2025, before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Ethan Sales, M.D., and gave oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Order was his voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS, my hand and Notary Seal.



Michele F. Ager  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: Jan 30, 2026