

IN THE MATTER OF	*	BEFORE THE MARYLAND
JAMES M. KIELY, M.D.	*	STATE BOARD OF
RESPONDENT	*	PHYSICIANS
Maryland License Number: D0102703	*	Case Number: 2226-0028

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ORDER

PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

The Maryland Board of Physicians (the “Maryland Board”) received information that James M. Kiely, M.D. (the “Respondent”), Maryland License Number D0102703, a physician licensed to practice medicine in Maryland via the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact (the “Compact”), was disciplined by the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board (the “Wisconsin Board”). In a Final Decision and Order (the “Order”), dated July 16, 2025, the Wisconsin Board reprimanded the Respondent’s medical license, recognized the completion of continuing education credits completed by the Respondent, and ordered the Respondent to pay costs in the amount of \$447.00. A copy of the Wisconsin Board Order is attached hereto.

Based on the above-mentioned Wisconsin Board sanction, the Maryland Board is authorized to discipline the Respondent, pursuant to Health Occ. §14-3A-01, Section 10.

Health Occ. §14-3A-01, Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, Section 10 Disciplinary Actions provides:

- (a) Any disciplinary action taken by any member board against a physician licensed through the Compact shall be deemed unprofessional conduct that may be subject to discipline by other member boards, in addition to any violation of the Medical Practice Act or regulations in that state.

....

(c) If disciplinary action is taken against a physician by a member board not in the state of principal license, any other member board may deem the action conclusive as to matter of law and fact decided; and

(1) Impose the same or lesser sanction(s) against the physician so long as such sanctions are consistent with the Medical Practice Act of that state[.]

Maryland Board Disciplinary Panel B (“Panel B”) has determined that the acts for which the Respondent was disciplined in Wisconsin would be grounds for disciplinary action under H.O. §14-404(a)(22) and is further deemed unprofessional conduct under Health Occ. 14-3A-01, Section 10(a).

FINDINGS OF FACT

Under Health Occ. § 14-3A-01 Section 10(c), a compact member board may deem the facts in any disciplinary action taken against a physician by a member board to be conclusive as a matter of fact decided. Accordingly, Panel B makes the following findings of fact:

1. The Respondent was licensed to practice medicine in the State of Maryland on or about February 5, 2025, under License Number D0102703.

2. On or about July 22, 2023, Patient A arrived at the emergency department of a medical center in Americus, Georgia, “exhibiting altered mental status, aphasia, right upper extremity weakness, and the inability to gaze to his right.” An emergency department physician “placed an order for a ‘CT brain attack STROKE Stat.’”

3. The Respondent was contacted for a tele-neurology consult, reviewed the CT scan, recommend not giving thrombolytics, and noted that the “patient is outside the time window and presented with seizure making postictal Todd’s paralysis and aphasia more likely than acute stroke.”

4. The Respondent conducted an “NIH Stroke Scale,” and indicated a score of 13, “even though [the Respondent] noted right upper extremity weakness, partial facial paralysis and severe aphasia. He diagnosed a seizure but did not exclude stroke, and recommended an MRI, EGG, and Keppa 500mg IV.”

5. Another consulted neurologist “recommended a CTA head neck with and without contrast ... [which] showed a complete occlusion of the M1 segment of the left middle cerebral artery.”

6. The Wisconsin Board found that “the standard of minimally competent medical practice required that Respondent appreciate that Patient A’s symptoms could have been a stroke and recommend imaging of the intracranial vessels by either CTA or MRA in his initial workup.”

7. By Order dated July 16, 2025, the Wisconsin Board reprimanded the Respondent’s medical license, recognized the completion of continuing education credits completed by the Respondent, and ordered the Respondent to pay costs in the amount of \$447.00.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, based on the Wisconsin Board’s Conclusions of Law, and based on Health Occ. §14-3A-01 Section 10(a) and (c), Panel B concludes as a matter of law that the Respondent “[f]ails to meet appropriate standards as determined by appropriate peer review for the delivery of quality medical and surgical care performed in an outpatient surgical facility, office, hospital, or any other location in this State,” in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(22).

SANCTION

Pursuant to Health Occ. §14-3A-01, Interstate Medical Licensure Compact, Section 10(c)(1), the Maryland Board may impose the same or lesser sanction against the physician so long as such sanctions are consistent with the Maryland Medical Practice Act. Panel B will impose a sanction of a reprimand.

ORDER

It is, thus, by Panel B, hereby:

ORDERED that the Respondent's medical license in the State of Maryland is **REPRIMANDED**, and it is further

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

09/11/2025
Date

Signature on file

Christine A. Farrelly
Executive Director
Maryland Board of Physicians

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO PETITION FOR JUDICIAL REVIEW

Pursuant to Health Occ. §14-408, the Respondent has the right to seek judicial review of this Final Order. Any petition for judicial review shall be filed within thirty (30) days from the date of mailing of this Final Order. The cover letter accompanying this Final Order indicates the date the decision is mailed. Any petition for judicial review shall be made as provided for in the Administrative Procedure Act, Md. Code Ann., State Gov't §10-222 and Title 7, Chapter 200 of the Maryland Rules of Procedure.

If the Respondent files a petition for judicial review, the Board is a party and should be served with the court's process at the following address:

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Notice of any petition should also be sent to Board Counsel at the following address:

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