

**IN THE MATTER OF**  
**ROBIN A. ELY, M.D.**

**Respondent**

**License Number: D22724**

**\* BEFORE THE**  
**\* MARYLAND STATE**  
**\* BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**  
**\* Case Number: 2219-0160B**

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**CONSENT ORDER**

On January 28, 2020, Disciplinary Panel B (“Panel B”) of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”) charged Robin A. Ely, M.D. (the “Respondent”) with violating the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the "Act"), Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 14-101 *et seq.* (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2019 Supp.)

Specifically, the Respondent was charged with violating the following:

**§ 14-404. Denials, reprimands, probations, suspensions, and revocations – Grounds.**

- (a) *In general.* -- 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:
  - (3) Is guilty of:
    - (ii) Unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine; [and]
  - (36) Willfully makes a false representation when seeking or making application for licensure or any other application related to the practice of medicine[.]

On June 24, 2020, Panel B was convened as a Disciplinary Committee for Case Resolution (“DCCR”) in this matter. Based on negotiations occurring as a result of this

DCCR, the Respondent agreed to enter into this Consent Order, consisting of Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and Consent.

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

Panel B finds the following:

1. At all times relevant hereto, the Respondent was and is licensed to practice medicine in the State of Maryland. The Respondent was initially licensed to practice medicine in Maryland on July 21, 1978, under License Number D22724. The Respondent's license is set to expire on September 30, 2020.

2. On or about July 18, 2018, the Respondent filed an online Application for Renewal (the "2018 Renewal Application") of her Maryland medical license.

3. In her 2018 Renewal Application, the Respondent certified and affirmed that she had earned at least 50 credit hours of Category I Continuing Medical Education ("CME") during the two-years period preceding the expiration of her license, which was September 30, 2018.

4. The Respondent's 2018 Renewal Application was included in a routine audit by the Board to determine whether she complied with the Board's CME requirements. As part of the audit, the Board requested the Respondent to provide documentation of at least 50 Category I CME credit hours within the two years immediately preceding the expiration of her license.

5. On or about January 10, 2019, the Respondent provided the Board documentation with respect to fifteen credit hours of Category I CME. The Respondent was unable to provide documentation for any additional Category I CME credits.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, Disciplinary Panel B of the Board concludes as a matter of law that the Respondent: is guilty of unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, in violation of Health Occ. § 14-404(a)(3)(ii); and willfully made 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, on the affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum of Board Disciplinary Panel B, hereby

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

**ORDERED** that the Respondent's Maryland medical license will not be renewed unless the Respondent obtains the 50 CME Category I credits required for the 2020 Maryland medical license renewal application and the 35 CME Category I credits outstanding from her 2018 Renewal Application, all to be earned and documented prior to the Respondent submitting her 2020 Maryland medical license renewal application to the Board. The Respondent shall send to the Board verification of all the CME credits required for license renewal prior to her submitting her 2020 Maryland medical license renewal application with the Board. All credits must be ACCME approved or otherwise obtained and documented in accordance with the Board's regulations. COMAR 10.32.01.10C, E; and it is further

**ORDERED** that, within 30 days of the effective date of this Consent Order, the Respondent shall pay a civil fine of **\$3,500.00**. The payment shall be by money order or

bank certified check made payable to the Maryland Board of Physicians and mailed to P.O. Box 37217, Baltimore, Maryland 21297. The Board will not renew or reinstate the Respondent's license if the Respondent fails to timely pay the fine to the Board; 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 the Respondent is responsible for all costs incurred in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this Consent Order; 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).

07/23/2020  
Date

***Signature on File***

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

**CONSENT**

I, Robin A. Ely, M.D., assert that I am aware of my right to consult with and be represented by counsel in considering this Consent Order and in any proceedings that would otherwise result from the charges currently pending. 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*

7/20/20  
Date

Robin A. Ely, M.D. 

### NOTARY

STATE OF: MARYLAND

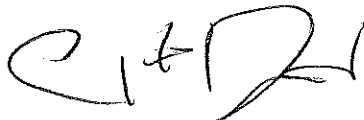
CITY/COUNTY OF: MONTGOMERY

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020,

before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Robin A. Ely, M.D. and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Order

was her voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS, my hand and Notary Seal.



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Notary Public

**NOTARY SEAL**  
Chet Raymond, Notary Public  
Montgomery County, Potomac, Maryland  
My Commission Expires May 24, 2021

My commission expires: 05/24/2021