

IN THE MATTER OF
ANTHONY R. JOSEPH, M.D.

Respondent

License Number: D47529

*** BEFORE THE**
*** MARYLAND STATE**
*** BOARD OF PHYSICIANS**
*** Case Number: 7720-0118**

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ORDER

On May 11, 2020, Disciplinary Panel A (the “Panel”) of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the “Board”) and Anthony R. Joseph, M.D., entered into a Consent Order wherein the Panel concluded, as a matter of law, that Dr. Joseph had failed to meet the standards of care for the delivery of quality medical services and failed to keep adequate medical records. The Consent Order terminated the summary suspension of Dr. Joseph’s license, reprimanded him, suspended his license for 90 days, retroactive to January 8, 2020, and provided certain terms and conditions that Dr. Joseph would have to comply with upon termination of the suspension.

On May 15, 2020, the Panel issued an Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Terms and Conditions that terminated the suspension of Dr. Joseph's license, reiterated the reprimand, permanently prohibited him from prescribing and dispensing all opioids and benzodiazepines, required that he pay a fine of \$5,000.00, and required that he take a Panel-approved course in medical record keeping.¹ Dr. Joseph has paid the \$5,000.00 fine and taken the required recordkeeping course. It is thus hereby

ORDERED that the fine and course conditions of the May 15, 2020 Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Terms and Conditions are **SATISFIED**; and it is further

ORDERED that the reprimand remains in effect; and it is further

¹ The Consent Order and Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Terms and Conditions are incorporated by reference and available upon request.

ORDERED that the condition permanently prohibiting Dr. Joseph from prescribing and dispensing all opioids and benzodiazepines under Criminal Law § 5-401 *et seq.* remains in effect; and it is further

ORDERED that the condition permanently prohibiting Dr. Joseph from certifying patients for the medical use of cannabis remains in effect; and it is further

ORDERED that on every January 31st thereafter if Dr. Joseph holds a Maryland medical license, he shall provide the Board with an affidavit verifying that he has not prescribed or dispensed any opioids and/or benzodiazepines or certified patients for the medical use of cannabis in the past year; and it is further

ORDERED that if Dr. Joseph fails to provide the required annual verification of compliance with these conditions:

1. There is a presumption that he has violated these permanent conditions; and
2. The alleged violation will be adjudicated pursuant to the procedures of a Show Cause Hearing; and it is further

ORDERED that Dr. Joseph agrees that the Controlled Dangerous Substances (“CDS”) Registration issued by the Office of Controlled Substances Administration will be restricted to the same categories of CDS as limited by this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that the disciplinary panel may issue administrative subpoenas to the Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program on a quarterly basis for Dr. Joseph’s CDS prescriptions. The administrative subpoenas will request the Respondent’s CDS prescriptions from the beginning of each quarter; and it is further

ORDERED that this is a public document.

03/29/2022
Date

Signature On File

Christine A. Farrelly
Executive Director
Maryland State Board of Physicians