IN THE MATTER OF

BEFORE THE

JASON E. GOODMAN, M.D.

MARYLAND STATE

Respondent

BOARD OF PHYSICIANS

License Number: D55846

Case Number: 7719-0022A

## ORDER TERMINATING SUSPENSION AND IMPOSING PROBATION

On October 18, 2018, Jason A Goodman, M.D. and Disciplinary Panel A ("Panel A") of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") entered into a Consent Order. Under the terms of the Consent Order, Panel A suspended Dr. Goodman's medical license for a minimum period of eighteen months, required Dr. Goodman to enroll in the Maryland Professional Rehabilitation Program ("MPRP"), comply with MPRP's requirements, and pay a civil fine of \$5,000.1 The Consent Order provides that after eighteen months, if MPRP determined that Dr. Goodman was safe to practice medicine and complied with the terms of the suspension he could petition Panel A to lift the suspension and, if Panel A agreed that Dr. Goodman was safe to return to practice, the Panel would terminate the suspension and impose conditions on his return to practice.

On July 22, 2020, Dr. Goodman filed a written Petition to Terminate Suspension. Dr. Goodman paid the civil fine and, on July 29, 2020, MPRP provided a written update to Panel A stating that Dr. Goodman complied with MPRP's recommendations and that he is safe to return to the practice of medicine with certain terms and conditions. Dr. Goodman appeared before Panel A for consideration of his Petition on October 7, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the October 18, 2018 Consent Order is incorporated by reference and available on request.

Panel A finds that Dr. Goodman complied with the terms of the Consent Order and is safe to practice medicine if certain probationary terms and conditions are in place. It is, thus, by Panel A, hereby

**ORDERED** that the suspension imposed under the October 18, 2018 Consent Order is **TERMINATED**; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is **PERMANENTLY PROHIBITED** from practicing medicine as a solo practitioner. Dr. Goodman shall work in a practice with at least one other physician who has the ability to provide clinical support and oversight to Dr. Goodman; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is **PERMANENTLY PROHIBITED** from conducting house calls; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is **PERMANENTLY PROHIBITED** from practicing medicine in a concierge practice; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is **PERMANENTLY PROHIBITED** from prescribing and dispensing all Controlled Dangerous Substances (CDS) under Criminal Law § 5-401 *et seq.*; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is **PERMANENTLY PROHIBITED** from certifying patients for the medical use of cannabis; and it is further

ORDERED that on every January 31st thereafter if Dr. Goodman holds a Maryland medical license, Dr. Goodman shall provide the Board with an affidavit verifying that he has not practiced medicine as a solo practitioner, has not conducted house calls, has not practiced medicine in a concierge practice, has not prescribed any of the prohibited CDS and has not certified patients for Cannabis in the past year; and it is further

**ORDERED** that if Dr. Goodman fails to provide the required annual verification of compliance with the permanent conditions:

- (1) there is a presumption that Dr. Goodman has violated the permanent conditions; and
- (2) the alleged violation(s) will be adjudicated pursuant to the procedures of a Show Cause Hearing; 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. Goodman's Controlled Dangerous Substances ("CDS") prescriptions. The administrative subpoenas will request Dr. Goodman's CDS prescriptions from the beginning of each quarter; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is placed on **PROBATION** for a minimum period of **FIVE YEARS.**<sup>2</sup> During the probationary period, Dr. Goodman shall comply with the following probationary terms and conditions:

- 1. Dr. Goodman shall remain enrolled in the Maryland Professional Rehabilitation
  Program (MPRP) and shall:
- (a) continue his Participant Rehabilitation Agreement and Participant Rehabilitation Plan with MPRP or be entered into an amended Participant Rehabilitation Agreement and Participant Rehabilitation Plan as determined by MPRP;
- (b) fully and timely cooperate and comply with all MPRP's referrals, rules, and requirements, including, but not limited to, the terms and conditions of the Participant Rehabilitation Agreement and Participant Rehabilitation Plan entered with MPRP, and shall fully participate and comply with all therapy, treatment, evaluations, and screenings as directed by MPRP;
- (c) sign and update the written release/consent forms requested by the Board and MPRP, including release/consent forms to authorize MPRP to make verbal and written disclosures to the Board and to authorize the Board to disclose relevant information from MPRP records and files in a public order. Dr. Goodman shall not withdraw his release/consent;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If Dr. Goodman's license expires while Dr. Goodman is on probation, the probationary period and any probationary conditions will be tolled.

- (d) sign and update the written release/consent forms as requested by the Board and MPRP. Dr. Goodman shall sign the release/consent forms to authorize MPRP to make verbal and written disclosures to the Board, including disclosure of any and all MPRP records and files possessed by MPRP. Dr. Goodman shall also sign any written release/consent forms to authorize MPRP to exchange with (i.e., disclose to and receive from) outside entities (including all of Dr. Goodman's current therapists and treatment providers) verbal and written information concerning Dr. Goodman and to ensure that MPRP is authorized to receive the medical records of Dr. Goodman, including, but not limited to, mental health and drug or alcohol treatment records. Dr. Goodman shall not withdraw his release/consent.
- 2. Before Dr. Goodman practices medicine in Maryland, Dr. Goodman must obtain Panel A's approval of any practice setting at which Dr. Goodman intends to practice medicine, and upon request by the Board, Dr. Goodman shall provide the Board with any information and material available to Dr. Goodman pertaining to the proposed practice setting and Dr. Goodman's anticipated duties.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that there shall be no early termination of probation; and it is further

ORDERED that, after a minimum period of FIVE YEARS, Dr. Goodman may submit a written petition to the Board requesting termination of probation. After consideration of the petition, the probation may be terminated through an order of Panel A. Dr. Goodman may be required to appear before Panel A to discuss his petition for termination. Panel A will grant the petition to terminate the probation if Dr. Goodman has fully and satisfactorily complied with all of the probationary terms and conditions and there are no pending complaints related to the charges; and it is further

**ORDERED** that Dr. Goodman is responsible for all costs incurred in fulfilling the terms and conditions of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that if Dr. Goodman allegedly fails to comply with any term or condition of probation or this Order Terminating Suspension and Imposing Probation, Dr. Goodman shall be given notice and an opportunity for a hearing. If 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 and if there is no genuine dispute as to a material fact, Dr. Goodman shall be given a show cause hearing before Panel A; and it is further

ORDERED that, after the appropriate hearing, if Panel A determines that Dr. Goodman has failed to comply with any term or condition of probation or this Consent Order, Panel A may reprimand Dr. Goodman, place Dr. Goodman on probation with appropriate terms and conditions, or suspend or revoke Dr. Goodman's license to practice medicine in Maryland. Panel A may, in addition to one or more of the sanctions set forth above, impose a civil monetary fine upon Dr. Goodman; and it is further

**ORDERED** that, unless stated otherwise in the order, any time period prescribed in this order begins when this Order goes into effect. This Order goes into effect upon the signature of the Board's Executive Director, who signs on behalf of Panel A; and it is further

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

10/23/2020 Date Signature on File

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