IN THE MATTER OF

ANDREW S. CRUZ, MD

Respondent

LICENSE NUMBER: D95396

BEFORE THE

MARYLAND BOARD

OF PHYSICIANS

**CASE NUMBER: 2224-0045B** 

## CONSENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made between Disciplinary Panel B of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board") and Andrew S. Cruz, MD (the "Respondent"):

WHEREAS, the Respondent is a physician licensed to practice medicine in the State of Maryland, initially licensed on or about August 17, 2022;

WHEREAS, the Maryland Board received information that, on or about August 16, 2023, the Arizona Medical Board (the "Arizona Board") prohibited the Respondent from practicing medicine in the State of Arizona, based upon allegations that the Respondent consumed alcohol in violation of his Stipulated Rehabilitation Agreement of March 9, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Respondent agrees that his license to practice as a physician in the State of Maryland is hereby SUSPENDED until such time as the Respondent's ability to practice medicine in the state of Arizona is restored/reinstated by the Arizona Board; and

The Respondent further agrees that this Agreement is a public document. See Health Occ. §§1-607, 14-411.1(b)(2) and Gen. Prov. §4-333(b)(6).

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Signature On File

Andrew S. Cruz, MD

Signature On File

Christine A. Farrelly **Executive Director** 

## **CONSENT**

I, Andrew S. Cruz, MD, acknowledge that I am aware of my right to consult with and be represented by counsel in considering this Consent Agreement. 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 Agreement 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. I waive this right and have elected to sign this Consent Agreement instead.

I acknowledge the validity and enforceability of this Consent Agreement 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 Agreement.

I voluntarily enter into and agree to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the Consent Agreement as a resolution of the charges. I waive all rights to appeal this Consent Agreement.

I sign this Consent Agreement, without reservation, and fully understand the language and meaning of its terms.

Signature On File

Date

Andrew S. Cruz, MD Respondent

## **NOTARY**

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| I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this | lb day or |
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023, before me, a Notary Public of the State and City/County aforesaid, personally Andrew S. Cruz, MD, and made oath in due form of law that the foregoing Consent Agreement was her voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and notarial seal.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: 17797078

