

STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC LICENSURE

In re:) CONSENT AGREEMENT
LYNN BUCHANAN, D.O.)
Complaint No. CR2017 30)

This document is a Consent Agreement, effective when signed by all parties, regarding disciplinary action against the license to practice osteopathic medicine in the State of Maine held by Lynn Buchanan, D.O. The parties to the Consent Agreement are: Lynn Buchanan, D.O. (“Dr. Buchanan”), the State of Maine Board of Osteopathic Licensure (“the Board”), and the State of Maine Department of the Attorney General. This Consent Agreement is entered into pursuant to 10 M.R.S. § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S. § 2591-A.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

1. Dr. Buchanan held a locum tenens license to practice medicine in the State of Maine during the period December 19, 2016 through June 19, 2017 (license number LT16038), and specializes in family/general practice medicine.

2. On November 20, 2017, the Board issued a complaint following a mandated report from Maine Coast Memorial Hospital (“MCMH”) that MCMH terminated Dr. Buchanan’s locum tenens contract based upon failure to sign orders, poor or inadequate medical recordkeeping that impeded transfer of patient care, concerns regarding clinical knowledge and decisionmaking, preparedness for patient rounds, and issues regarding communications. The

Board docketed the complaint as CR2017 30 and sent it to Dr. Buchanan for a response.

3. By letter dated January 15, 2018, Dr. Buchanan responded to the complaint. In her response, Dr. Buchanan described a difficult relationship with the medical director at the facility, and denied that she was ever unprepared for rounds.

4. Pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2591-A(2)(F), the Board may impose discipline if the licensee has engaged in unprofessional conduct. A licensee is considered to have engaged in unprofessional conduct if the licensee violates a standard of professional behavior that has been established for the practice of medicine.

5. On April 12, 2018, the Board reviewed Complaint CR2017 30, and voted to set this matter for an adjudicatory hearing. In addition, the Board voted to offer Dr. Buchanan this Consent Agreement to resolve this matter without further proceedings. Absent Dr. Buchanan's acceptance of this Consent Agreement by signing and dating it in front of a notary and mailing it to Board of Osteopathic Licensure, 142 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0137 on or before July 30, 2018, the matter shall proceed to an adjudicatory hearing.

COVENANTS

6. Dr. Buchanan admits the facts stated above and agrees that such conduct constitutes grounds for discipline pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2591-A(2)(F) for engaging in unprofessional conduct.

7. As discipline for the foregoing conduct, Dr. Buchanan agrees that she will not seek to reinstate or apply to obtain a Maine medical license.

8. Violation by Dr. Buchanan of any of the terms or conditions of this Consent Agreement shall constitute grounds for discipline, including but not limited to modification, suspension, or revocation of licensure or the denial of re-licensure.

9. This Consent Agreement is not appealable and is effective until modified or rescinded in writing by the parties hereto.

10. The Board and the Department of the Attorney General may communicate and cooperate regarding Dr. Buchanan or any other matter relating to this Consent Agreement.

11. This Consent Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 408-A.

12. This Consent Agreement constitutes discipline and is an adverse licensing action that is reportable to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB), the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB), and other licensing jurisdictions.

13. Nothing in this Consent Agreement shall be construed to affect any right or interest of any person not a party hereto. If any clause of this Consent Agreement is deemed illegal or invalid, then that clause shall be deemed severed from this Consent Agreement.

14. Dr. Buchanan acknowledges by her signature hereto that she has read this Consent Agreement, that she has had an opportunity to consult with an attorney before executing this Consent Agreement, that she executed this Consent Agreement of her own free will and that she agrees to abide by all terms and conditions set forth herein.

15. For the purposes of this Consent Agreement, the term "execution" means the date on which the final signature is affixed to this Consent Agreement.

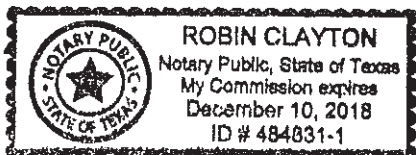
I, LYNN BUCHANAN, D.O., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, THAT I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT ANY THREAT OR PROMISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND, VERBAL, WRITTEN OR OTHERWISE.

DATED: July 2, 2018 Julie PO
LYNN BUCHANAN, D.O.

STATE OF TEXAS
COMAL, S.S. (County)

Personally appeared before me the above-named Lynn Buchanan, D.O., and swore to the truth of the foregoing based upon her own personal knowledge, or upon information and belief, and so far as upon information and belief, she believes it to be true.

DATED: 7/2/18 Robin Clayton
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COMMISSION ENDS: 12/10/18



DATED:

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MAINE BOARD OF
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DATED:

July 12, 2018



MICHAEL MILLER, AAG
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