GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HEALTH PREPARDNESS AND SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION

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IN THE MATTER OF:		
JONATHAN RATLIFF, M.D.		
Respondent.		

NOTICE OF SUMMARY ACTION TO SUSPEND LICENSE

To: Jonathan Ratliff, M.D.

In accordance with the provisions of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, D.C. Code § 2-509; the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, D.C. Code § 3-1205.15(a); and 17 DCMR § 4118, the District of Columbia Department of Health (D.C. Health) gives you notice of the summary suspension of your medical license, MD043052, under D.C. Code § 3-1205.15(a).

Your license is summarily suspended effective immediately upon receipt of this notice. If you wish to appeal this summary suspension of your license, you must file a request for a hearing within 72 hours after service of this notice. Should you request a hearing, one will be held within 72 hours of a timely request, and a decision will be rendered within 72 hours after the close of the hearing. The request for a hearing must be submitted in writing to Suzanne Fenzel, Senior Assistant General Counsel, D.C. Health. The request may be submitted by email to Suzanne.Fenzel3@dc.gov or by mail to 2201 Shannon Place, SE, 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20020. Ms. Fenzel can be reached at (202) 724-8915.

The District of Columbia (the District) is represented by the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia. A copy of your hearing request and any pleading or other written communication addressed to D.C. Health must also be delivered to Alycia Hogenmiller, Assistant Attorney General (AAG), Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, Civil Enforcement Section, 400 Sixth Street, NW, Suite 10100, Washington, DC 20001. AAG Hogenmiller can be reached at (202) 256-9692 or by email at Alycia.Hogenmiller@dc.gov.

You may appear personally at the hearing, and you may be represented by legal counsel. You have the right to produce witnesses and evidence, to cross-examine witnesses against you, to examine evidence produced, and to have subpoenas issued to require the production of witnesses and evidence.

All hearings are conducted in the English language. If you or any witnesses to be called are deaf, have a hearing impediment, or cannot readily understand or communicate the spoken English language, an application may be made to the Administrative Law Judge for the appointment of a qualified interpreter.

A request for a hearing will not stay the suspension of your license.

The summary suspension is based upon the following charge as set forth below.

Charge:

The State of Maryland suspended your medical license, for which D.C. Health can summarily suspend your license under D.C. Code § 3-1205.15(a)(1)(A).

On November 22, 2024, the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the Maryland Board) suspended your license to practice medicine in Maryland, License No. D0082519, Case No. 2225-0066. The Maryland Board suspended your license after your former employer reported that you were terminated because you were unable to practice medicine safely. The Maryland Board's investigation found that you had missed work and had been suffering from alcohol dependency, which led to multiple hospitalizations starting in 2021. To date, the Maryland Board has not reinstated your license to practice medicine.

Please note under 1 DCMR § 2818, your failure to appear at the time and place set for the hearing, either in person or through counsel, or both, will not preclude D.C. Health proceeding in this matter.

Dar. 19, 2024

J. SAM HURLEY, MPH, EMPS

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District of Columbia Department of Health Health Systems and Preparedness Administration