GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HEALTH REGULATION LICENSE ADMINISTRATION



IN THE MATTER OF:

FIDELIS DOH, MD,

Respondent.

NOTICE OF SUMMARY ACTION TO SUSPEND LICENSE

To: Fidelis Doh, M.D. 108 Farmgate Lane Silver Spring, MD 20905

In accordance with the provisions of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, D.C. Code § 2-509(a), and the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, D.C. Code § 3-1205.15(b), the Health Regulation Licensing Administration (HRLA) hereby gives you notice of the summary suspension of your license to practice medicine in the District of Columbia, License No. MD21818, 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 written 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 receipt 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 by email to Suzanne M. Fenzel, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Health, Board of Medicine at suzanne.fenzel3@dc.gov. The request may also be submitted by mail to Suzanne M. Fenzel, 899 North Capitol Street, N.E., Sixth Floor, Washington, D.C. 20002.

The District of Columbia is represented by the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia in these proceedings. A copy of your hearing request and any pleading or other written communication addressed to the HRLA should also be delivered to Assistant Attorney General Jessica Krupke, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, Civil Enforcement Section, 441 Fourth Street, N.W., Suite 630 South, Washington, D.C. 20001. Jessica Krupke can be reached by email at jessica.krupke@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 on your behalf, to crossexamine witnesses against you, to examine evidence produced, and to have subpoenas issued on your behalf to require the production of witnesses and evidence.

All hearings are conducted before an administrative judge 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.

The basis of the contemplated action is certain information received by the agency which, if proven to be true, justifies taking the proposed action under D.C. Code § 3-1205.15.

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

Charge I:

Your medical license was revoked or suspended in another jurisdiction and has not been reinstated within that jurisdiction, for which the Board may summarily suspend your license in the District of Columbia under D.C. Code § 3-1205.15(a)(1)(A).

The Maryland Board of Physicians (Maryland Board) summarily suspended your license to practice as a physician in Maryland in a May 26, 2020 Order in Case Nos. 2219-0156A and 2220-0260A.

The May 26, 2020 Order was based on findings resulting from investigations focused on your prescribing and prescription medication dispensing practices. The investigations included two peer reviews of medical records for ten of your patients, Maryland Office of Controlled Substances Administration (OCSA) reports from two on-site inspections, and interviews and your written responses. The peer reviewers found that you did not meet the standard of quality care for all ten patients for reasons including that you prescribed and maintained non-cancer patients on high doses of opioids ranging from approximately 90 to 390 Morphine Milligram Equivalence per day. One Maryland OCSA inspection of your office found, among other things, that expired medications were mixed in with regular stock, staff was unable to locate a record of all controlled dangerous substances stock on hand, and you did not provide written prescriptions to patients.

In a June 10, 2020 Order, the Maryland Board affirmed the suspension of your license following a post-deprivation summary

suspension hearing that you attended on June 10, 2020. Your license to practice medicine remains suspended in Maryland.

A request for a hearing will not stay this summary suspension. Please note that under 17 DCMR § 4103.2, your failure to appear at the time and place set for the hearing, either in person or through counsel, or both, will not preclude the administrative law judge from proceeding in this matter.

June 25, 2020 Date

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Sharon Williams Lewis, DHA, RN-BC, CPM Senior Deputy Director Department of Health Health Regulation and Licensing Administration