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March 16, 2010

***CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED***

David G. Amamoo, M.D.

Redacted Address

Re: License No. 140906

Dear Dr. Amamoo:

Enclosed is a copy of BPMC #10-38 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect March 23, 2010.

**If the penalty imposed by this Order is a surrender, revocation or suspension, you are required to deliver your license and registration within five (5) days of receipt of this Order** and return it to the Office of Professional Medical Conduct, New York State Department of Health, 433 River Street, Suite 303, Troy, NY 12180-2299

Sincerely,

Redacted Signature

Katherine A. Hawkins, M.D., J.D.  
Executive Secretary  
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Debra Young, Esq.  
20 Corporate Woods Boulevard  
Albany, NY 12211

IN THE MATTER  
OF  
DAVID AMAMOO, M.D.

CONSENT  
ORDER

BPMC No. 10-38

Upon the application of (Respondent) DAVID AMAMOO, M.D., in the attached Consent Agreement and Order, which is made a part of this Consent Order; it is

ORDERED, that the Consent Agreement, and its terms, are adopted; and it is further

ORDERED, that this Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, either

- by mailing of a copy of this Consent Order, either by first class mail to Respondent at the address in the attached Consent Agreement or by certified mail to Respondent's attorney, OR
- upon facsimile transmission to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is first.

SO ORDERED.

DATE: 3-12-2010

Redacted Signature

KENDRICK A. SEARS, M.D.  
Chair  
State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

IN THE MATTER  
OF  
DAVID AMAMOO, M.D.

CONSENT  
AGREEMENT  
AND  
ORDER

DAVID AMAMOO, M.D., represents that all of the following statements are true:

That on or about December 21, 1979, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York, and issued License No. 140906 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is Redacted Address, and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of address.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with five specifications of professional misconduct.

A copy of the Statement of Charges, marked as Exhibit "A", is attached to and part of this Consent Agreement.

I do not contest to the First Specification, in full satisfaction of the charges against me, and agree to the following penalty:

My license to practice medicine shall be limited, pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a, to preclude patient contact and any practice of medicine, clinical or otherwise. I shall be precluded from diagnosing, treating, operating, or prescribing for any human disease, pain, injury, deformity, or physical condition. I shall also be precluded from further reliance upon my license to practice medicine to exempt me from the licensure, certification or other requirements set forth in statute or regulation for the practice of any other profession licensed,

regulated or certified by the Board of Regents, Department of Education, Department of Health or the Department of State.

I further agree that the Consent Order for which I apply shall impose the following conditions:

- That Respondent shall, within 30 days of the issuance of the Consent Order, notify the New York State Education Department, Division of Professional Licensing Services, that Respondent's license status is "inactive," and shall provide proof of such notification to the Director of OPMC within 30 days of having done so; and
- That Respondent shall return any and all official New York State prescriptions to the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement, and shall surrender Respondent's Controlled Substance Registration Certificate to the United States Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, within 15 days of the Order's effective date. Further, within 30 days of returning these prescriptions and surrendering the registration, Respondent shall provide documentary proof of these transaction(s) to the Director of OPMC; and
- That Respondent shall cooperate fully with the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) in its administration and enforcement of this Order and in its investigations of matters concerning Respondent. Respondent shall respond in a timely manner to all OPMC requests for written periodic verification of Respondent's compliance with this Order. Respondent shall meet with a person designated by the Director of OPMC, as directed. Respondent shall respond promptly and provide all documents and information within Respondent's control, as directed. This condition shall take effect upon the Board's issuance of the Consent Order and will continue so long as Respondent remains licensed in New York State; and
- That Respondent shall comply with all conditions set forth in attached Exhibit "B" ("Guidelines for Closing a Medical Practice").

I stipulate that my failure to comply with any conditions of this Order shall constitute misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(29).

I agree that if I am charged with professional misconduct in future, this Consent Agreement and Order **shall** be admitted into evidence in that proceeding.

I ask the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement.

I understand that if the Board does not adopt this Consent Agreement, none

of its terms shall bind me or constitute an admission of any of the acts of alleged misconduct; this Consent Agreement shall not be used against me in any way and shall be kept in strict confidence; and the Board's denial shall be without prejudice to the pending disciplinary proceeding and the Board's final determination pursuant to the Public Health Law.

I agree that, if the Board adopts this Consent Agreement, the Chair of the Board shall issue a Consent Order in accordance with its terms. I agree that this Order shall take effect upon its issuance by the Board, either by mailing of a copy of the Consent Order by first class mail to me at the address in this Consent Agreement, or to my attorney by certified mail, OR upon facsimile transmission to me or my attorney, whichever is first. The Order, this agreement, and all attached Exhibits shall be public documents, with only patient identities, if any, redacted. As public documents, they may be posted on the Department's website.

I stipulate that the proposed sanction and Order are authorized by N.Y. Pub. Health Law §§ 230 and 230-a, and that the Board for Professional Medical Conduct and the Office of Professional Medical Conduct have the requisite powers to carry out all included terms. I ask the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement of my own free will and not under duress, compulsion or restraint. In consideration of the value to me of the Board's adoption of this Consent Agreement, allowing me to resolve this matter without the various risks and burdens of a hearing on the merits, I knowingly waive my right to contest the Consent Order for which I apply, whether administratively or judicially, I agree to be bound by the Consent Order, and ask that the Board adopt this Consent Agreement.

I am aware and agree that, regardless of prior communication, the attorney for the Department, the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct, and the Chairperson of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct each reserve full discretion to enter into the Consent Agreement that I propose in this application, or to decline to do so.

DATE: 2/28/2010

Redacted Signature

~~DAVID AMAMOO, M.D.~~  
Respondent

The undersigned agree to Respondent's attached Consent Agreement and to its proposed penalty, terms and conditions.

DATE: 3/5/10

Redacted Signature

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
DEBRA YOUNG, ESQ.  
Attorney for Respondent

DATE: 3/9/10

Redacted Signature

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JUDE B. MULVEY, ESQ.  
Associate Attorney  
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: 3/11/10

Redacted Signature

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KEITH W. SERVIS  
Director  
Office of Professional Medical Conduct

## EXHIBIT "B"

### **GUIDELINES FOR CLOSING A MEDICAL PRACTICE**

1. Respondent shall immediately cease the practice of medicine in compliance with the terms of the Consent Order. Respondent shall not represent that Respondent is eligible to practice medicine and shall refrain from providing an opinion as to professional practice or its application.
2. Within 15 days of the Consent Order's effective date, Respondent shall notify all patients that Respondent has ceased the practice of medicine, and shall refer all patients to another licensed practicing physician for their continued care, as appropriate.
3. Respondent shall arrange for the transfer and maintenance of all patient medical records. Within 30 days of the Consent Order's effective date, Respondent shall notify OPMC of these arrangements, including the name, address, and telephone number of an appropriate contact person, acceptable to the Director of OPMC, who shall have access to these records. Original records shall be retained for patients for at least 6 years after the last date of service, and, for minors, at least 6 years after the last date of service or 3 years after the patient reaches the age of majority, whichever time period is longer. Records shall be maintained in a safe and secure place that is reasonably accessible to former patients. The arrangements shall ensure that all patient information is kept confidential and is available only to authorized persons. When a patient or authorized representative requests a copy of the patient's medical record, or requests that the original medical record be sent to another health care provider, a copy of the record shall be promptly provided or sent at reasonable cost to the patient (not to exceed 75 cents per page.) Radiographic, sonographic and like materials shall be provided at cost. A qualified person shall not be denied access to patient information solely because of inability to pay.
4. Within 15 days of the Consent Order's effective date, if Respondent holds a Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) certificate, Respondent shall advise the DEA in writing of the licensure action and shall surrender Respondent's DEA controlled substance certificate, privileges, and any unused DEA #222 U.S. Official Order Forms Schedules 1 and 2, to the DEA.
5. Within 15 days of the Consent Order's effective date, Respondent shall return any unused New York State official prescription forms to the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement of the New York State Department of Health. Respondent shall have all prescription pads bearing Respondent's name destroyed. If no other licensee is providing services at Respondent's practice location, Respondent shall dispose of all medications.



6. Within 15 days of the Consent Order's effective date, Respondent shall remove from the public domain any representation that Respondent is eligible to practice medicine, including all related signs, advertisements, professional listings whether in telephone directories or otherwise, professional stationery or billings. Respondent shall not share, occupy or use office space in which another licensee provides health care services.
7. Respondent shall not charge, receive or share any fee or distribution of dividends for professional services (other than for Respondent's duties as a coroner's physician, set forth at pages "1" and "2" of the Consent Agreement herein) rendered (by Respondent or others) while barred from practicing medicine. Respondent may receive compensation for the reasonable value of services lawfully rendered, and disbursements incurred on a patient's behalf, prior to the Consent Order's effective date.
8. If Respondent is a shareholder in any professional service corporation organized to engage in the practice of medicine and Respondent's license is revoked, surrendered or suspended for 6 months or more pursuant to this Consent Order, Respondent shall, within 90 days of the Order's effective date, divest all Respondent's financial interest in such professional services corporation in accordance with New York Business Corporation Law. If Respondent is the sole shareholder in a professional services corporation, the corporation must be dissolved or sold within 90 days of the Consent Order's effective date.
9. Failure to comply with the above directives may result in civil or criminal penalties. Practicing medicine when a medical license has been suspended, revoked or annulled is a Class E Felony, punishable by imprisonment for up to four years, under N.Y. Educ. Law § 6512. Professional misconduct may result in penalties including revocation of the suspended license and/or fines of up to \$10,000 for each specification of misconduct, under N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a.

IN THE MATTER  
OF  
DAVID AMAMOO, M.D.

STATEMENT  
OF  
CHARGES

DAVID AMAMOO, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about December 21, 1979, by the issuance of license number 140906 by the New York State Education Department.

**FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- A. Respondent treated Patient A, a 76 year old female, at Kingston Hospital, Kingston, New York ("Kingston Hospital") from on or about November 26, 2001 through on or about December 29, 2001. Respondent's care of Patient A did not meet acceptable standards of care in that:
1. Respondent performed a salpingo-oophorectomy without adequate medical justification and/or failed to document such.
- B. Respondent treated Patient B, a 92 year old female, at Kingston Hospital from on or about July 1, 2000 to on or about July 19, 2000. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient B did not meet acceptable standards of care in that:
1. Respondent performed a resection of the adnexa on Patient B without adequate medical justification and/or failed to document such.
  2. Respondent failed to adequately document the surgical procedures performed on Patient B.
- C. Respondent treated Patient C, a 68 year old female, at Kingston Hospital from

on or about January 9, 2002 to on or about February 14, 2002. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient C did not meet acceptable standards of care in that:

1. Respondent performed a Hartman resection with an end colostomy on Patient C without first attempting non-operative alternatives.
2. Respondent failed to adequately document the surgical procedure performed on Patient C and/or adequately document her stoma management.

D. Respondent treated Patient D, a 77 year old male, at Kingston Hospital, from on or about April 22, 2002 to on or about May 20, 2002. Respondent's care and treatment of Patient D did not meet acceptable standards of care in that:

1. Respondent failed to obtain and/or document Patient D's medical history;
2. Respondent failed to obtain specific imaging of Patient D's remnant colon.
3. Respondent failed to adequately document Patient D's surgery and/or findings from the surgery.

**SPECIFICATION OF MISCONDUCT**

**FIRST SPECIFICATION**

**PRACTICING WITH NEGLIGENCE ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION**

The Respondent is charged with practicing the profession with negligence on more than one occasion within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530 (3) in that the Petitioner charges Respondent committed two or more of the following:

1. The facts in Paragraph A and A.1, B and B.1, B and B.2, C and C.1, C and C.2, D and D.1, D and D.2 and/or D and D.3.

**SECOND THROUGH FIFTH SPECIFICATIONS**

**FAILURE TO MAINTAIN PATIENT RECORDS**

The Respondent is charged with failing to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the evaluation and treatment of the patient within the meaning of New York Education Law § 6530 (32) in that Petitioner charges:

2. The facts in Paragraph A and A.1;
3. The facts in Paragraph B and B.1 and/or B and B.2;
4. The facts in Paragraph C and C.2; and/or
5. The facts in Paragraph D and D.1, D and D.3.

DATE: ~~January~~ *March* 9, 2010  
Albany, New York

Redacted Signature

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Peter VanBuren  
Deputy Counsel  
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct