

KATHY HOCHUL Governor JAMES V. McDONALD, M.D., M.P.H. Acting Commissioner **MEGAN E. BALDWIN**Acting Executive Deputy Commissioner

April 14, 2023

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Craig A. Silver, D.O.

RE: License No. 219406

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed is a copy of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (BPMC) Order No. 23-082. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect April 21, 2023.

If the penalty imposed by the Order is a fine, please write the check payable to the New York State Department of Health. Noting the BPMC Order number on your remittance will assist in proper crediting. Payments should be directed to the following address:

Bureau of Accounts Management New York State Department of Health Corning Tower, Room 2784 Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12237

Please direct any questions to: Board for Professional Medical Conduct, Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, Suite 355, Albany, New York, 12204, telephone # 518-402-0846.

Sincerely,

David Besser, M.D. Executive Secretary Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

CC:

Shea Fitzekam, Esq.

Daniels, Porco and Lusardi, LLP.

One Memorial Avenue Pawling, New York 12564

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER
OF
CRAIG A. SILVER, D.O.

BPMC No. 23-082 CONSENT ORDER

Upon the application of (Respondent) CRAIG A. SILVER, D.O. 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 Consent 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: 4/13/2023

THOMAS T. LEE, M.D. Chair State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER OF CRAIG A. SILVER, D.O.

CONSENT AGREEMENT

CRAIG A. SILVER, D.O., represents that all of the following statements are true:

That on or about October 3, 2000, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York and issued License No. 219406 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is 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 (Board) has charged me with one or more specifications of professional

misconduct, as set forth in a Statement of Charges, marked as Exhibit "A", attached to and
part of this Consent Agreement.

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

 Pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a(1), I shall be subject to a Censure and Reprimand. Pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law §§ 230-a(7) and (9), I shall be subject
to a fine in the amount of \$7,500.00, to be paid in full within 60 days of the
effective date of this Order. Payments must be submitted to:

Bureau of Accounts Management New York State Department of Health Corning Tower, Room 2784 Empire State Plaza Albany, New York 12237

In making such payment, Respondent shall indicate the order number of this

Order both on the payment check submitted and on the cover letter

accompanying payment. Additionally, Respondent shall simultaneously mail

a photocopy of the check and cover letter to:

Physician Monitoring Program
Office of Professional Medical Conduct
Riverview Center
150 Broadway, Suite 355
Albany, New York 12204-2719.

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

That Respondent shall comply with each and every penalty imposed by this Order pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a.

Respondent shall comply fully with the December 20, 2021 Final Order of the Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine and any extension or modification thereof.

Respondent shall provide a written authorization for the Florida Board of

Osteopathic Medicine to provide the Director of OPMC with any/all information or documentation as requested by OPMC to enable OPMC to determine whether Respondent is in compliance with the Florida Order.

Respondent, by making this application, asserts that Respondent does not currently practice medicine in New York State or in any setting or jurisdiction where that practice is predicated upon Respondent's New York State medical license ("New York Practice"). As a condition of this Order, should Respondent decide to resume practicing medicine in New York, Respondent shall, before beginning such practice, provide 90 days advance written notice to the Director of OPMC. Respondent may not begin practicing medicine in New York until after Respondent receives the Director's written acknowledgment that this condition has been satisfied, and shall be subject to any further conditions the Director may impose upon Respondent's New York Practice based on matters underlying this Consent Agreement and/or any circumstances or information known to the Director at the time of Respondent's proposed return to New York Practice. Respondent, by making this Application, stipulates that the Director shall be authorized in the Director's sole discretion to impose whatever further conditions the Director deems appropriate upon Respondent's return to practice in New York, and Respondent further stipulates that Respondent's failure to comply with these conditions shall constitute misconduct as defined by N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(29).

Respondent shall report to OPMC within thirty days:

- Any restriction or termination of Respondent's professional training,
 employment, or privileges by any hospital or licensed facility, or any
 voluntary or involuntary resignation or withdrawal from association with
 any hospital or licensed facility to avoid the imposition of any action to
 restrict or terminate Respondent's professional training, employment, or
 privileges due to professional misconduct, unprofessional conduct,
 incompetency, or negligence.
- Any charges pending against the Respondent in any jurisdiction for any sort of professional misconduct.
- Any criminal charges pending against the Respondent in any court.
- Any licensing or disciplinary authority that revoked, annulled, cancelled, accepted surrender of, suspended, placed on probation, or refused to issue or renew a professional license or certificate held by the Respondent now or previously, or any licensing or disciplinary authority that fined, censured, reprimanded, or otherwise disciplined the Respondent.
- Any finding of guilt after trial, or guilty plea, or plea of no contest or nolo contendere to a crime (felony or misdemeanor) in any court.

In the event Respondent registers with the New York State Education Department, Respondent shall remain in compliance with, for the entirety of the registration period and any subsequent registration period, all requirements of N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 2995-a(4) and 10 NYCRR 1000.5, including but not limited to the requirements that a licensee shall: report to the Department all information required by the Department to develop a public physician profile for the licensee; continue to notify the Department of any change in profile information within 30 days of any change (or in the case of optional information, within 365 days of such change); and, in addition to such periodic reports and notification of any changes, update the Licensee's profile information within six months prior to the expiration date of the licensee's registration period. Licensee shall submit changes to the Licensee's physician profile information either electronically using the Department's secure web site or on forms prescribed by the Department, and licensee shall attest to the truthfulness, completeness and correctness of any changes licensee submits to the Department. This condition shall take effect 30 days after the Order's effective date and shall continue so long as Respondent remains a licensee in New York State. Respondent's failure to comply with this condition, if proven and found at a hearing pursuant to N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230, shall constitute professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(21) and N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(29). Potential penalties for failure to comply with this condition may include all penalties for

professional misconduct set forth in N.Y. Pub. Health Law § 230-a, including but not limited to: revocation or suspension of license, Censure and Reprimand, probation, public service and/or fines of up to \$10,000 per specification of misconduct found; and

That Respondent shall provide the Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC), Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, Suite 355, Albany, New York 12204-2719, with the following information, in writing, and ensure that this information is kept current: a full description of Respondent's employment and practice; all professional and residential addresses and telephone numbers within and outside New York State; and all investigations, arrests, charges, convictions or disciplinary actions by any local, state or federal agency, institution or facility. Respondent shall notify OPMC, in writing, within 30 days of any additions to or changes in the required information. This condition shall take effect 30 days after the Order's effective date and shall continue at all times until Respondent receives written notification from the Office of Professional Medical Conduct, Physician Monitoring Program, that OPMC has determined that Respondent has fully complied with and satisfied the requirements of the Order, regardless of tolling; and

That Respondent shall cooperate fully with the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) in its administration and enforcement of this Consent 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 Consent 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.

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

I agree that, if I am charged with professional misconduct in the 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 N.Y. Pub. 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 Consent 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 Consent Order, this agreement, and all attached Exhibits shall be public documents, with only patient identities or other confidential information, if any, redacted. As public documents, they may be posted on the Department's website. OPMC shall report this action to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Federation of State Medical Boards, and any other entities that the Director of OPMC shall deem appropriate.

I stipulate that the proposed sanction and Consent Order are authorized by N.Y. Pub. Health Law §§ 230 and 230-a, and that the Board and OPMC 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 I ask that the Board adopt this Consent Agreement.

I understand and agree that the attorney for the Department, the Director of OPMC and the Chair of the Board each retain complete discretion either to enter into the

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CRAIG A SILVER, DEX RESPONSEME

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

DATE: April 5, 2023

SHEA FITZEKAM, ESQ. Attorney for Respondent

DATE: _ April 7, 2023

NATHANIAL WHITE Associate Counsel **Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct**

DATE: 4-12-23

SHELLY/WANG BANDAGO Director

Office of Professional Medical Conduct

EXHIBIT A

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

IN THE MATTER

STATEMENT

OF

CHARGES

OF

CRAIG A. SILVER, D.O.

CRAIG A. SILVER, D.O., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about October 3, 2000 by the issuance of license number 219406 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

- A. On or about December 17, 2021, the Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine ("Florida Board") issued a Final Order ("Florida Order") which resolved an Administrative Complaint filed by the Florida Department of Health against the Respondent. The Florida Order constituted disciplinary action against the Respondent in the form of a Letter of Concern, \$3,000 fine, reimbursement of \$6,500 to the Florida Department of Health, among other conditions. The Administrative Complaint alleged that between December 2013 and May 2017, Respondent violated provisions of Florida law in his treatment of one patient, including failing to keep sufficient medical records to justify the course of treatment, and for failing to practice medicine in accordance with the level of care, skill and treatment recognized in general law related to health care licensure.
- B. The conduct resulting in the Florida disciplinary action against the Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York State pursuant to the following sections of New York law:
 - 1. New York Education Law section 6530(3) (practicing the profession with negligence on more than one occasion).

2. New York Education Law section 6530(32) (failing to maintain a record for each patient which accurately reflects the evaluation and treatment of the patient).

SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(9)(d) by having the Respondent's license to practice medicine revoked, suspended or having other disciplinary action taken, or having the Respondent's application for a license refused, revoked or suspended or having voluntarily or otherwise surrendered the Respondent's license after a disciplinary action was instituted by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the revocation, suspension or other disciplinary action involving the license or refusal, revocation or suspension of an application for a license or the surrender of the license would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state (namely N.Y. Educ. Law §§ 6530[3] and/or [32]) as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. Paragraphs A, B and B.1 and/or B.2.

DATE: April 7, 2023 Albany, New York

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Deputy Director
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct