

# New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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November 1, 2005

# CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Hanimi Reddy Challa, M.D. 9401 SW State Road 200 Bldg. 700, Suite 701 Ocala, FL 34481

RE:

License No. 139884

Dear Dr. Challa:

Enclosed is a copy of Order #BPMC 05-243 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect November 8, 2005.

If the penalty imposed by the Order is a surrender, revocation or suspension of this license, you are required to deliver to the Board the license and registration within five (5) days or receipt of the Order to:

Board for Professional Medical Conduct New York State Department of Health Hedley Park Place, Suite 303 433 River Street Troy, New York 12180

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 1258
Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12237

Sincerely,

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D.

**Executive Secretary** 

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT		• • •
IN TI	HE MATTER	CONSENT
	OF	ORDER
HANIMI F	REDDY CHALLA, M.D.	BPMC No. #05-243

Upon the application of **HANIMI REDDY CHALLA, M.D.,** (Respondent) 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 of by certified mail to Respondent's attorney OR upon facsimile transmission to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is first.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: 10-28-05

KENDRICK A. SEARS, M.D.

Chair

State Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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

#### IN THE MATTER

CONSENT

OF

**AGREEMENT** 

# HANIMI REDDY CHALLA, M.D. CO-05-02-0778-A

AND ORDER

HANIMI REDDY CHALLA, M.D., (Respondent) representing that all of the following statements are true, deposes and says:

That on or about October 5, 1979, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York, and issued License No. 139884 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is 9401 SW Staet Road 200, Bldg. 700-Suite 701, Ocala, FL 34481, and I will advise the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct of any change of my address thirty (30) days, thereof.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with two (2) specifications of professional misconduct, based solely on the State of Florida, Board of Medicine, August 5, 2005, Final Order.

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

I do not contest Factual Allegations A and B(2) and the Second Specification, in full satisfaction of the charges against me, and agree to the following sanction:

To pay \$1,000.00.

The \$1,000.00 is to be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of this Order to the NYS Department of Health, Bureau of Accounts Management, Revenue Unit, Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower, Room 1258, Albany, NY 12237-0016.

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

That Respondent shall maintain active registration of Respondent's license with the New York State Education, Department Division of Professional Licensing Services (except during periods of actual suspension), and shall pay all registration fees. This condition shall take effect thirty (30) days after the Consent Order's effective date and will continue so long as Respondent remains licensed in New York State; 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.

I stipulate that my failure to comply with any conditions of this Order shall constitute misconduct as defined by New York State Education 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 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.

I stipulate that the proposed sanction and Order are authorized by Public Health Law Sections 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 the Board to adopt this Consent Agreement.

AFFIRMED:

DATED: 10 17.05

HANIMI REDDY CHALLA, M.D. Respondent

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

DATE:

ROBERT BOGAN

Associate Counsel

Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: 21e (Delos 2006)

DENNIS J. GRAZIANO

Director

Office of Professional Medical Conduct

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

IN THE MATTER

**STATEMENT** 

OF

OF

HANIMI REDDY CHALLA, M.D. CO-05-02-0778-A

**CHARGES** 

HANIMI REDDY CHALLA, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on October 5, 1979, by the issuance of license number 139884 by the New York State Education Department.

### **FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- A. On or about August 5, 2005, the State of Florida, Board of Medicine (hereinafter "Florida Board"), by a Final Order (hereinafter "Florida Order"), issued to Respondent a Letter of Concern, required him to attend a full day of a future meeting of the Florida Board, and required him to pay \$3,438.32 costs, based on inappropriately prescribing, dispensing, administering, mixing, or otherwise preparing a legend drug, including any controlled substance, other than in the course of the physician's professional practice; and by holding or offering for sale a drug (the unapproved influenza) that was adulterated because it had been sold or distributed by a person not authorized under federal or state law to do so; and by failing to perform any statutory or legal obligation placed upon a licensed physician.
- B. The conduct resulting in the Florida Board disciplinary action against Respondent would constitute misconduct under the laws of New York state, pursuant to the following sections of New York state law:
- 1. New York Education Law §6530(2) (practicing the profession beyond its authorized scope);
- 2. New York Education Law §6530(16) (a willful or grossly negligent failure to comply with substantial provisions of federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations governing the practice of medicine); and/or

3. New York Education Law §6539(24) (practicing or offering to practice beyond the scope permitted by law).

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### FIRST SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York State Education Law §6530 (9)(b) by having been found guilty of improper professional practice or professional misconduct by a duly authorized professional disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct upon which the finding was based would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

1. The facts in Paragraphs A and/or B.

#### **SECOND SPECIFICATION**

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(d) by having disciplinary action taken by a duly authorized disciplinary agency of another state, where the conduct resulting in the disciplinary action would, if committed in New York state, constitute professional misconduct under the laws of New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

2. The facts in Paragraphs A and/or B.

DATED: September 1, 2005

Albany, New York

Alex D. Van Buren
PETER D. VAN BUREN

Deputy Counsel

**Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct**