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December 3, 2002

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

Harsh Sharma, M.D. 2164 Ninth Street North, #214 Naples, FL 34103

RE: License No. 200235

Dear Dr. Sharma:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 02-365 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect December 3, 2002.

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 of 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.

Sincerely,

Ansel R. Marks, M.D., J.D. Executive Secretary Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

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

#### IN THE MATTER

SURRENDER

OF

ORDER

### HARSH SHARMA, M.D. CO-02-06-3084-A

BPMC No. 02-365

#### HARSH SHARMA, M.D., says:

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On or about July 20, 1995, I was licensed to practice medicine as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 200235 by the New York State Education Department. I currently reside at 2164 Ninth Street North, #214, Naples, FL 34103.

I am not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice as a physician in the State of New York.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct has charged me with one (1) specification of professional misconduct as set forth in the Statement of Charges, annexed hereto, made a part hereof, and marked as Exhibit "A."

I am applying to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct for an agreement to allow me to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York and request that the Board issue this Surrender Order.

I, hereby, agree not to contest the one (1) specification set forth in the Statement of Charges (Exhibit A).

I understand that in the event that this proposed agreement is not granted by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, nothing contained herein shall be binding upon me or construed to be an admission of any act of misconduct alleged or charged against me, such proposed agreement shall not be used against me in any way, and shall be kept in strict confidence during the pendency of the professional misconduct disciplinary proceeding; and such denial by the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct shall be made without prejudice to the continuance of any disciplinary proceeding and the final determination by a Committee on Professional Medical Conduct pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Law.

I agree that, in the event the Board grants my Application, as set forth herein, an order of the Chairperson of the Board shall be issued in accordance with same upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy of the Order to me at the address set forth above or to my attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to me or my attorney, whichever is first.

I am making this agreement of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint of any kind of manner.

Date: 2002

HAR HARMA, M.D. Respondent

AGREED TO:

2002 Date:\_ 22Nn

ROBERT BOGAN

Associate Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

Date: 1/4 Month ,2002

DENNIS J. GRAZIANO Director, Office of Professional Medical Conduct

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STATE OF NEW YORK

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT

CO-02-06-3084-A

# IN THE MATTER OF HARSH SHARMA, M.D.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

HARSH SHARMA, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on July 20, 1995, by the issuance of license number 200235 by the New York State Education Department.

# FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about May 1, 2002, the State of Florida, Board of Medicine (hereinafter "Florida Board"), by a Final Order (hereinafter "Florida Order "), reprimanded Respondent, required Respondent to pay a \$5,000.00 administrative fine and \$7,209.51 costs of investigation, and placed him on one (1) year probation with conditions that include that he practice only under the indirect supervision of a Florida Board approved physician, based on gross or repeated negligence or the failure to practice medicine with that level of care, skill, and treatment which is recognized by a reasonably prudent similar physician as being acceptable under similar conditions and circumstances, failing to keep legible records, and by exercising undue influence on the patient.

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(3) (negligence on more than one occasion);
- New York Education Law §6530(4) (gross negligence);
- 3. New York Education Law §6530(5) (incompetence on more than one occasion);
- New York Education Law §6530(6) (gross incompetence);
- 5. New York Education Law §6530(17) (exercising undue influence on the patient);

6. New York Education Law §6530(20) (moral unfitness); and/or

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

# SPECIFICATION

Respondent violated New York Education Law §6530(9)(d) by having had disciplinary action taken by a duly authorized professional 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 New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

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

DATED: November 1, 2002 Albany, New York

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PETER D. VAN BUREN Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

#### ORDER

Upon the proposed agreement of **HARSH SHARMA**, **M.D.**, to Surrender his license as a physician in the State of New York, which proposed agreement is made a part hereof, it is AGREED TO and

ORDERED, that the proposed agreement and the provisions thereof are hereby adopted; it is further

ORDERED, that the name of the Respondent be stricken from the roster of physicians in the State of New York; it is further

ORDERED, that this Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, which may be accomplished by mailing, by first class mail, a copy to Respondent at the addresses set forth in this agreement or to Respondent's attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is earliest.

DATED: 2002

WILLIAM P. DILLON, M.D. Chair State Board for Professional Medical Conduct