

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

IN THE MATTER
OF
AUGUSTINE EGBUNIKE, M.D.

COMMISSIONER'S
ORDER OF
SUMMARY
ACTION

TO: AUGUSTINE EGBUNIKE, M.D.
[REDACTED]
Federal Correctional Institution at Bastrop
1341 Highway 95
Bastrop, TX 78602

The undersigned, Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D., Commissioner of Health, pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law §230, upon the recommendation of a Committee on Professional Medical Conduct of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct, has determined that Augustine Egbunike, M.D. (henceforth "Respondent"), has pleaded or been found guilty or convicted of committing an act constituting a felony under New York State law, federal law, or the law of another jurisdiction which, if committed within this state, would have constituted a felony under New York State law, as is more fully set forth in the Statement of Charges attached to the Notice of Referral Proceeding or Notice of Hearing and made a part hereof.

It is therefore:

ORDERED, pursuant to N.Y. Public Health Law §230(12)(b), that effective immediately, Respondent shall not practice medicine in the State of New York, or practice in any setting under the authority of Respondent's New York license.

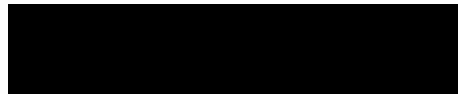
Any practice of medicine in violation of this Order shall constitute Professional Misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law §6530(29) and may constitute unauthorized medical practice, a Felony defined by N.Y. Educ. Law §6512.

This Order shall remain in effect until the final conclusion of a hearing which shall commence within ninety days of the service of this order and shall end within ninety days

thereafter. The hearing will be held pursuant to the provisions of N.Y. Pub. Health Law §230, and N.Y. State Admin. Proc. Act §§301-307 and 401. The hearing will be conducted before a committee on professional conduct of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct on a date and at a location to be set forth in a written Notice of Hearing or Notice of Referral Proceeding provided to the Respondent contemporaneously with this Order.

THESE PROCEEDINGS MAY RESULT IN A DETERMINATION THAT YOUR LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN NEW YORK STATE BE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED, AND/OR THAT YOU BE FINED OR SUBJECT TO OTHER SANCTIONS SET FORTH IN NEW YORK PUBLIC HEALTH LAW §230-a. YOU ARE URGED TO OBTAIN AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU IN THIS MATTER.

DATED: Albany, New York
February 27, 2017



Howard A. Zucker, M.D., J.D.
Commissioner of Health
New York State Department of Health

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STATEMENT
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CHARGES

Augustine Egbunike, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on or about October 18, 1994, by the issuance of license number 197552 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about January 16, 2015, Respondent pleaded guilty to one count of Conspiracy to Commit Health Care Fraud [18 U.S.C. §§ 1349 and 1347], a felony, in the United States District Court, Southern District of Texas.

On or about June 10, 2016, Respondent was convicted and sentenced in the same court to 57 months imprisonment with 3 years supervised release, and must pay restitution of \$2,024,032.69 with a \$100.00 assessment.

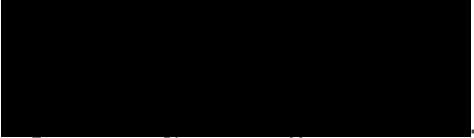
SPECIFICATION OF CHARGES

CRIMINAL CONVICTION

Respondent is charged with committing professional misconduct as defined in N.Y. Educ. Law § 6530(9)(a)(ii) by having been convicted of an act constituting a crime (felony) under federal law as alleged in the facts of the following:

1. The facts as alleged in Paragraph A.

DATE: February 27, 2017
Albany, New York


MICHAEL A. HISER
Deputy Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct