

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

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October 5, 1992

C. Maynard Guest, M.D. Executive Secretary

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Arthur Adler, M.D. 63 South Main Street Spring Valley, New York 10977

RE: License No. 074981

Effective 10/07/92

Dear Dr. Adler:

Enclosed please find Order #BPMC 92-77 of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct. This Order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect upon receipt of this letter or seven (7) days after the date of this letter, whichever is earlier.

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.

Board for Professional Medical Conduct New York State Department of Health Empire State Plaza Tower Building-Room 438 Albany, New York 12237-0614

Sincerely,

C. Maynard Guest, M.D.

Executive Secretary

Board for Professional Medical Conduct

C. Maynard Guest

Enclosure

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT			
IN THE MATTER	: APPLICATION TO		
OF	SURRENDER		
ARTHUR ADLER, M.D.	LICENSE		
STATE OF NEW YORK) ss.: COUNTY OF ROCKLAND)			

ARTHUR ADLER, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

On or about April 27, 1954, I was licensed to practice as a physician in the State of New York having been issued License No. 074981 by the New York State Education Department.

I am not currently registered to practice as a physician in the State of New York. My mailing address is 63 South Main Street, Spring Valley, NY 10977.

I understand that I have been charged with four 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 permission to surrender my license as a physician in the State of New York on the grounds that I do not contest the the allegations and Specifications, as charged.

I hereby make this application to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct and request that it be granted.

I understand that, in the event that the application 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 application 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 State Board for Professional Medical Conduct grants my application, an order shall be issued striking my name from the roster of physicians in the State of New York without further notice to me.

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

> ARTHUR ADLER, M.D. Respondent

Sworn to before me this

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NOTARY PUBLIC
BENJAMIN E. STLIG
Notary Public State of New York
No. 3589375
Qualified in Rockland County 93
Commission Expires Aug. 31, 19

STATE OF NEW YORK : DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL CONDUCT IN THE MATTER APPLICATION TO OF SURRENDER ARTHUR ADLER, M.D. LICENSE The undersigned agree to the attached application of the Respondent to surrender his license Date: SFPT 3 , 1992 ARTHUR ADLER, M.D. Respondent Date: $\hat{\beta} \in \mathcal{F}_{1}$ 8 , 1992 BENJAMIN E. SELAG, ESQ. Attorney for Respondent Date: 5-7- 14 , 1992 ROY NEMERSON Deputy Counsel Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

ARTHUR ADLER, M.D.

Date: Oct 2 , 1992

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KATHLEEN M. TANNER
Director, Office of Professional
Medical Conduct

Date: / October, 1992

CHARLES J. VACANTI, M.D. Chairperson, State Board for Professional Medical Conduct EXMBIT "A"

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IN THE MATTER

: STATEMENT

OF

OF

ARTHUR ADLER, M.D.

CHARGES

ARTHUR ADLER, M.D., the Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York State on April 27, 1954 by the issuance of license number 074981 by the New York State Education Department. The Respondent is not currently registered with the New York State Education Department to practice medicine. Upon information and belief, his mailing address is 63 S. Main Street, Spring Valley, NY 10977.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. Beginning approximately on or about March 7, 1977 and continuing until on or about February 20, 1990, Respondent treated Patient A, (identified in Appendix A) a woman who was 50 years old at the beginning of such treatment, for weight loss, at Respondent's medical office at 63 South Main Street, Spring Valley, New York 10977.

- On more than 50 separate occasions
 occurring between 1978 and 1990,
 Respondent inappropriately dispensed
 Synthroid to the Patient, which was not
 indicated by her condition.
- 2. The doses of Synthroid dispensed upon each of those occasions was inappropriately high, with daily doses of .6 mg being dispensed between August 1979 and May 1982, daily doses of .5 mg being dispensed between May 1982 and April 1984, daily doses of .6 mg being dispensed between April 1984 and November 1986, and daily doses of .45 mg being dispensed between November 1986 and February 1990.
- 3. On each of these occasions, Respondent failed to perform or order appropriate tests to establish any initial or continuing need for this drug.
- 4. On each of these occasions, Respondent failed to adequately monitor the patient for known adverse effects of the drug.

SPECIFICATIONS

FIRST SPECIFICATION

NEGLIGENCE

- 1. Respondent is charged with Professional Misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law sec. 6530(3) (McKinney Supp. 1992) by practicing the profession of medicine with negligence on more than one occasion in that Petitioner charges:
 - 1) The facts in paragraphs A and A1-4, with regard to two or more of the fifty occasions described.

SECOND SPECIFICATION

INCOMPETENCE

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law sec. 6530(5) (McKinney Supp. 1992) by practicing the profession of medicine with incompetence on more than one occasion in that Petitioner charges:

2) The facts in paragraphs A and Al-4, with regard to two or more of the fifty occasions described.

THIRD SPECIFICATION GROSS NEGLIGENCE

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law sec. 6530(4) (McKinney Supp. 1992) by practicing the profession of medicine with gross negligence, in that Petitioner charges:

3) The facts in paragraphs A and A1-4.

FOURTH SPECIFICATION UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT UNNECESSARY TREATMENT

Respondent is charged with professional misconduct within the meaning of N.Y. Educ. Law sec. 6530(35) (McKinney Supp. 1992) by ordering excessive treatment not warranted by the condition of the patient in that Petitioner charges:

4) The facts in paragraphs A and Al.

DATED: New York, New York December , 1990

CHRIS STERN HYMAN
Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical
Conduct

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

IN THE MATTER : ORDER

ARTHUR ADLER, M.D. : BPMC 92-77

Upon the Application of ARTHUR ADLER, M.D. (Respondent) to Surrender his license as a physician in the State of New York, which application is made a part hereof, it is

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

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

ORDERED, that Respondent shall not apply for the restoration of Respondent's license until at least one year has elapsed from the effective date of this order; and it is further

ORDERED, that this order shall take effect as of the date of the personal service of this order upon Respondent, upon receipt by Respondent of this order via certified mail, or seven days after mailing of this order via certified mail, whichever is earliest.

SO ORDERED,

DATED: 1 October 1992

Charles J. Vacanti, M.D.

Chairperson

State Board for Professional

Medical Conduct