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March 24, 2014

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Aaron Scott Goldfein, M.D.

REDACTED

Re: License No. 232882

Dear Dr. Goldfein:

Enclosed is a copy of the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (BPMC) Order No. 14-74. This modification order and any penalty provided therein goes into effect March 31, 2014.

Please direct any questions to: Board for Professional Medical Conduct, 90 Church Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10007-2919, telephone # 212-417-4445.

Sincerely,

REDACTED

Katherine A. Hawkins, M.D., J.D.
Executive Secretary
Board for Professional Medical Conduct

Enclosure

cc: Robert S. Harrison, Esq.
Robert Harrison & Associates, P.C.
200 East Long Lake Road, Suite 110
Bloomfield Hills, MIL 48304

IN THE MATTER
OF
AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.

MODIFICATION
ORDER

Upon the proposed Application for a Modification Order of AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D., (Respondent), that is made a part of this Modification Order, it is agreed and

ORDERED, that the attached Application and its terms are adopted and it is further

ORDERED, that this Modification Order shall be effective upon issuance by the Board, either by mailing, by first class mail, a copy of the Modification Order to Respondent at the address in the attached Application or by certified mail to Respondent's attorney or upon transmission via facsimile to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is earliest.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: 3/21/2014

REDACTED

ARTHUR S. HENGERER, 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	APPLICATION FOR
OF	MODIFICATION ORDER
AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.	

AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D., (Respondent) being duly sworn deposes and says:

That on or about June 18, 2004, I was licensed to practice medicine in the State of New York, having been issued license number 232882 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is REDACTED

I am currently subject to BPMC Order No. 11-95, (hereinafter "Original Order"), annexed hereto, made a part, hereof, and marked as Attachment I, that was issued on April 19, 2011. I have paid the \$2,500.00 fine discussed in Attachment I and have complied with the State of Michigan Orders that were the basis of BPMC Order No. 11-95.

I apply to the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct for a Modification Order (hereinafter "Modification Order"), modifying the Original Order, as follows: to delete the paragraphs in the Original Order that state:

"Censure and Reprimand;

Should Respondent return to the practice of medicine in the State of New York, he shall permanently restricted from prescribing controlled substances."

substituting for the above paragraphs: _

"I (Respondent) ask the Board to accept surrender of my license, and I agree to be bound by all of the terms set forth in the attached Exhibit "B."

The Modification Order to be issued will not constitute a new disciplinary action against me, but will substitute the proposed language for the above described language in the Original Order.

I make this Application of my own free will and accord and not under duress, compulsion or restraint, and seek the anticipated benefit of the requested Modification. In consideration of the value to me of the acceptance of the Board of this Application, I knowingly waive the right to contest the Original Order or the Modification Order for which I apply, both administratively and judicially, and ask that the Board grant this Application.

I understand and agree that the attorney for the Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct, the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct, and the Chair of the State Board for Professional Medical Conduct each retain complete discretion to either enter into the proposed Agreement and Modification Order, based upon my application, or to decline to do so. I further understand and agree that no prior or separate written or oral communication can limit that discretion.

AFFIRMED:

DATED: 3/3/14

~~REDACTED~~

~~AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN M.D.~~
Respondent

The undersigned agree to the attached Application of Respondent and to the proposed penalty based on the terms and conditions thereof.

DATE: 3/3/14

REDACTED

ROBERT S. HARRISON, Esq.
Attorney for Respondent

DATE: 3/5/14

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MICHAEL G. BASS
Assistant Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: 3/20/14

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KEITH W. SERVIS
Director
Office of Professional Medical Conduct

Attachment

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

IN THE MATTER
OF
AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.

CONSENT
ORDER
BPMC No. 11-95

Upon the application of AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D., (Respondent), in the attached Consent Agreement, that 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 or email transmission to Respondent or Respondent's attorney, whichever is first.

SO ORDERED.

DATED: 4/19/11

REDACTED

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

AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.
CO-10-03-1866-A

AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D., (Respondent), representing that all of the following statements are true, deposes and says:

That on or about June 18, 2004, I was licensed to practice medicine in the State of New York and issued license number 232882 by the New York State Education Department.

My current address is REDACTED, and I will advise the Director (Director) of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) of any change of my address within thirty (30) days, thereof.

I understand that the New York State Board for Professional Medical Conduct (Board) has charged me with four (4) Specifications of professional misconduct.

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

I do not contest the four (4) Specifications, and agree to the following sanction:

Censure and Reprimand;

Should Respondent return to the practice of medicine in the State of New York, he shall be permanently restricted from prescribing controlled substances;

Respondent shall pay a \$2,500.00 fine, to be paid within thirty (30) days of the effective date of the Consent Order to the NYS Department of Health, Bureau of Accounts Management, Revenue Unit, Empire State Plaza, Corning Tower, Room 1717, Albany, NY 12237-0016.

Respondent shall comply fully with the State of Michigan, Board of Medicine, Consent Order, dated February 5, 2010, and the State of Michigan, Board of Pharmacy, Consent Order, dated March 10, 2010, and any extensions or modifications thereof.

Respondent shall provide a written authorization for the Michigan Boards to provide the Director of the Office of Professional Medical Conduct (OPMC) with any/all information or documentation as requested by OPMC to enable OPMC to determine whether Respondent is in compliance with the Michigan Orders.

Respondent shall submit semi-annually a signed Compliance Declaration to the Director of OPMC, which truthfully attests whether Respondent has been in compliance with the Michigan Orders during the declaration period specified.

Should Respondent return to the practice of medicine in the State of New York or in any jurisdiction where that practice is predicated upon Respondent's New York State medical license, Respondent shall provide ninety (90) days notice in writing to the Director, OPMC. The Director in his sole discretion, may impose whatever limitations, or further conditions, he deems appropriate.

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

That Respondent shall remain in continuous compliance with all requirements of New York Education Law § 6502 including, but not limited to, the requirements that a licensee shall register and continue to be registered with the New York State Education Department (except during periods of actual suspension) and that a licensee shall pay all registration fees. Respondent shall not exercise the option provided in New York Education Law § 6502(4) to avoid registration and payment of fees. This condition shall take effect 30 days after the effective date of the Consent Order and will continue so long as Respondent remains a licensee in New York State; and

That Respondent shall cooperate fully with the OPMC in its administration and enforcement of the 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 Agreement. Respondent shall meet with a person designated by the Director, 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 the Consent Order shall constitute misconduct as defined by New York Education Law § 6530(29).

I agree that, if I am charged with professional misconduct in future, this Consent Agreement and the Consent 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 New York 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 the 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 or email transmission to me or my attorney, whichever is first. The Consent Order, this Consent Agreement, and all attached Exhibits shall be public documents, with only patient identities, if any, redacted. As public documents, they may be posted on the Department of Health website.

I stipulate that the proposed sanction and Consent Order are authorized by New York Public 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, administratively and/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, OPMC, and the Chair of the Board each retain complete discretion either to enter into the proposed Consent Agreement and Consent Order, based upon my application, or to decline to do so. I further understand and agree that no prior or separate written or oral communication can limit that discretion.

AFFIRMED:

DATED: 3/23, 2011

REDACTED
AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.
Respondent

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

DATE: 4/8/11, 2011

REDACTED
DESSIE ADAM MARKOS
Attorney for Respondent

DATE: 4/13/11, 2011

REDACTED
MICHAEL G. BASS
Assistant Counsel
Bureau of Professional Medical Conduct

DATE: 4/19, 2011

REDACTED
KEITH W. SERVIS
Director
Office of Professional Medical Conduct

EXHIBIT A

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

IN THE MATTER
OF
AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D.
CO-10-03-1866-A

STATEMENT
OF
CHARGES

AARON SCOTT GOLDFEIN, M.D., Respondent, was authorized to practice medicine in New York state on June 18, 2004, by the issuance of license number 232882 by the New York State Education Department.

FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

A. On or about February 5, 2010, the State of Michigan, Department Of Community Health Bureau Of Health Professions, Board Of Medicine, Disciplinary Subcommittee, (hereinafter "Michigan Board of Medicine"), by Consent Order, (hereinafter "Michigan Board of Medicine Order"), placed Respondent on Probation for a period of one (1) year and fined Respondent \$1,000. In the Michigan Board of Medicine Order, Respondent agreed that the Michigan Board of Medicine would treat the allegations set forth in the Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, as true. The Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, alleged that Respondent engaged in conduct that consisted of negligence or failure to exercise due care, including negligent delegation to or supervision of employees or other individuals, whether or not injury results, that Respondent's conduct evidenced a lack of good moral character, and that Respondent's conduct evidenced obtaining, possessing, or attempting to obtain or possess a controlled substance or drug without lawful authority, and/or selling, prescribing, giving away, or administering drugs for other than lawful diagnostic or therapeutic purposes.

B. On or about March 10, 2010, the State Of Michigan, Department Of Community Health, Bureau Of Health Professions, Board Of Pharmacy, Disciplinary Subcommittee, (hereinafter Michigan Board of Pharmacy) by Consent Order, (hereinafter "Michigan Board of Pharmacy Order"), placed Respondent on Probation for a period of one (1) year and fined Respondent \$2,500. In the Michigan Board of Pharmacy Order, Respondent agreed that the Michigan Board of Pharmacy would treat the allegations in the Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, as true. The Administrative Complaint of March 3, 2009, alleged that on July 18, 2008, Respondent prescribed 80 mg of Oxycontin to two (2) patients prior to examining them

and that on September 24, 2008, Respondent prescribed 80 mg of Oxycontin for a patient whose medical record lacked clinical evidence to support the use of the medication.

C. The conduct resulting in the Michigan Board of Medicine 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 Sec.6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion).
2. New York Education Law Sec. 6530(20) (moral unfitness).

D. The conduct resulting in the Michigan Board of Pharmacy 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 Sec. 6530(3) (negligence on more than one occasion).
2. New York Education Law Sec. 6530(32) (failure to maintain a record).

SPECIFICATIONS

FIRST AND SECOND SPECIFICATIONS

Respondent violated New York Education Law Sec. 6530(9)(b) by having been found guilty of improper 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 C.
2. The facts in Paragraphs B and D.

THIRD AND FOURTH SPECIFICATIONS

Respondent violated New York Education Law Sec. 6530(9)(d) by having 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 of New York state, in that Petitioner charges:

3. The facts in Paragraphs A and C.

4. The facts in Paragraphs B and D.

DATED: *January 6*, 2011
Albany, New York

REDACTED

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

EXHIBIT "B"

**REQUIREMENTS FOR CLOSING A MEDICAL PRACTICE FOLLOWING A
REVOCATION, SURRENDER OR SUSPENSION (of six months or more)
OF A MEDICAL LICENSE**

1. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from engaging in the practice of medicine (in New York State) in accordance with the terms of the Order. In addition, Respondent shall refrain from providing an opinion as to professional practice or its application and from representing himself as being eligible to practice medicine.
2. Respondent shall have delivered, to OPMC at Riverview Center, Suite 355, 150 Broadway, Albany, NY 12204, Respondent's original license to practice medicine in New York State and current biennial registration within five (5) days of the effective date of the Order.
3. Respondent shall within fifteen (15) days of the Order, notify all patients of the cessation of his medical practice and will refer all patients to another licensed practicing physician for their continued care, as appropriate.
4. Respondent shall make arrangements for the transfer and maintenance of the medical records of his patients. Within thirty days of the effective date of the Order, Respondent shall notify OPMC of these arrangements including the appropriate and acceptable contact person's name, address, and telephone number who shall have access to these records. Original records shall be retained for at least six years after the last date of service rendered to a patient or, in the case of a minor, for at least six years after the last date of service or three years after the patient reaches the age of majority, whichever time period is longer. Records shall be maintained in a safe and secure place that is reasonably accessible to former patients. The arrangements shall include provisions to ensure that the information on the record is kept confidential and made available only to authorized persons. When a patient and/or his/her authorized representative requests a copy of the patient's medical record, or requests that the original medical record be forwarded to another health care provider, a copy of the record shall be promptly provided or forwarded at a reasonable cost to the patient (not to exceed seventy-five cents per page.) Radiographic, sonographic, and like materials shall be provided at cost. A qualified person shall not be denied access to patient information solely because of his/her inability to pay.
5. In the event that Respondent holds a Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) certificate for New York State, Respondent shall, within fifteen (15) days of the Order's effective date, advise the DEA, in writing, of the licensure action and shall surrender his/her DEA controlled substance privileges for New York State to the DEA. Respondent shall promptly surrender any unused DEA #222 U.S. Official Order Forms Schedules 1 and 2 for New York State to the DEA. All submissions to the DEA shall be addressed to Diversion Program Manager, New York Field Division, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, 99 Tenth Avenue, New York, NY 10011.
6. Respondent shall within fifteen (15) days of the Order's effective date, return any unused New York State official prescription forms to the Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement, New York State Department of Health at Riverview Center, 150 Broadway, Albany, NY 12204. Respondent shall cause all prescription pads bearing his/her name to be destroyed. If

no other licensee is providing services at Respondent's practice location, all medications shall be properly disposed of.

7. Respondent shall not share, occupy or use office space in which another licensee provides health care services. Respondent shall cause all signs to be removed within fifteen (15) days and stop all advertisements, professional listings whether in telephone directories, on the internet or otherwise, professional stationery or billings by which his/her eligibility to practice is represented.
8. Respondent shall not charge, receive or share any fee or distribution of dividends for professional services rendered (by Respondent or others) while barred from engaging in the practice of medicine. Respondent may be compensated for the reasonable value of services lawfully rendered and disbursements incurred on a patient's behalf prior to the effective date of this Order.
9. If Respondent is a shareholder in any professional service corporation organized to engage in the practice of medicine and if Respondent's license is revoked, surrendered or suspended for a term of six months or more under the terms of this Order, Respondent shall divest himself/herself of all financial interest in the professional services corporation in accordance with New York Business Corporation Law. Such divestiture shall occur within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Order. If Respondent is the sole shareholder in a professional services corporation, the corporation must be dissolved or sold within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this Order.
10. Failure to comply with the above directives may result in a civil penalty or further criminal penalties as may be authorized pursuant to the law. Under Section 6512 of the Education Law it is a Class E Felony, punishable by imprisonment of up to 4 years, to practice the profession of medicine when such professional license has been suspended, revoked or annulled. Such punishment is in addition to the penalties for professional misconduct set forth in Section 230-a of the Public Health Law, which includes fines of up to \$10,000 for each specification of charges of which Respondent is found guilty and may include revocation of a suspended license.