

BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALING ARTS OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

KS State Board of Healing Arts

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) KSBHA Docket No. 15-HA00025

ORDER GRANTING RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL ORDER AND APPOINTING BOARD MEMBER TO ISSUE AN INITIAL ORDER

NOW on this the 13th day of February, 2015, comes before the Kansas State Board of Healing Arts ("Board") the Petition for Reconsideration of Final Order filed by Whitney L. Vinzant M.D. ("Licensee") in the above-captioned matter pursuant to K.S.A. 77-529 of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act.

Upon a review of the Petition for Reconsideration and the agency record in this matter, the Board finds and concludes as follows:

- 1. On or about August 9, 2014, Licensee entered into a Consent Order which limited his scope of practice in that he was prohibited from performing surgery, except those procedures specified in paragraph 30 of the Consent Order. The Consent Order also required Licensee to submit to a clinical skills assessment performed by the Center of Personalized Education for Physicians ("CPEP").
- 2. The Consent Order further provided that the Board would review the CPEP assessment report once received and could modify the Consent Order's provisions to address the findings and recommendations of CPEP.
 - 3. Licensee obtained a clinical skills assessment by CPEP in June of 2014.

4. On September, 12, 2014, Litigation Counsel for the Board filed a Motion to

Incorporate CPEP Recommendations. The Motion further requested that the Board impose

additional requirements and practice limitations based on the CPEP report's findings and

recommendations.

5. Licensee requested that, in considering incorporating CPEP's recommendations,

the Board also expand the list of permitted surgical procedures beyond those contained in the

Consent Order. In support of his request, Licensee offered Exhibit A, which set forth the

additional surgical procedures that Licensee requested he be permitted to perform.

6. A conference hearing was held in the matter on December 11, 2014, at which both

Litigation Counsel and Licensee's counsel presented arguments and Licensee testified.

7. On December 22, 2014, the Board issued a Final Order Denying Modification of

Consent Order. The Board found that the based on the evidence presented, the limitations and

requirements of the Consent Order as written were adequate to address CPEP's findings and

recommendations. Additionally, the Board found that the underlying basis for limiting

Licensee's surgical procedures had not changed.

8. On or about January 9, 2015, Licensee filed a timely Petition for Reconsideration

of Final Order requesting that the Board reconsider its decision on the basis that the evidence

presented at the conference hearing demonstrated a change in the underlying basis for limiting

Licensee's surgical procedures.

9. The Board concludes that reconsideration of the Final Order is warranted to allow

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for a more in-depth presentation of evidence on the Motion to Incorporate CPEP

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Recommendations and Licensee's request that any such modification include additional surgical

procedures that Licensee is permitted to perform.

10. The Board concludes that Board Member Joel Hutchins, M.D. should be

appointed to reconsider the matter and issue an Initial Order which will then be reviewed by the

full Board.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Board hereby grants Licensee's Petition for

Reconsideration of the Final Order and sets the matter for further proceedings.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Board member Joel Hutchins, M.D. is hereby

appointed as a Presiding Officer pursuant to K.S.A. 77-526, with authority to issue an Initial

Order on Licensee's Petition for Reconsideration which shall then be reviewed by the full Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of all agency filings shall be served on the

Presiding Officer at the Board offices to the attention of Stacy Bond, Assistant General Counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 17th day of february, 2015, in the city of

TOPEKA, COUNTY OF SHAWNEE, STATE OF KANSAS.

KANSAS BOARD OF HEALING ARTS

Kathleen Selzler Lippert, Executive Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that on this 17th day of February, 2015, a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing ORDER GRANTING RECONSIDERATION OF FINAL ORDER AND APPOINTING BOARD MEMBER TO ISSUE INITIAL ORDER was served by U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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And the original was filed with the office of the Executive Director.

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