

BOARD HEARING MEETING MINUTES

June 20-21, 2024

3127 Smoketree Court Raleigh, North Carolina

The North Carolina Medical Board held its scheduled June 2024 meeting at its offices at 3127 Smoketree Court, Raleigh, NC. Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O., MHPE, President and Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order on Thursday, June 20, 2024, at 8:13 a.m. Board members participating were: Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O., MHPE, Board President and Presiding Officer; Devdutta G. Sangvai, M.D., MBA, J.D.; Anuradha Rao-Patel, M.D.; W. Howard Hall, M.D.; N. Melinda Hill-Price, M.D., J.D.; Sharona Y. Johnson, Ph.D., FNP-BC; Joshua D. Malcolm, J.D.; Robert L. Rich, Jr., M.D.; and David P. Sousa, J.D., MBA. Also attending was Fred Morelock, Independent Counsel who assisted the Board.

Presidential Remarks:

Dr. Khandelwal commenced the meeting by reminding the Board members of their duty to avoid conflicts of interest with respect to any matters coming before the Board as required by the State Government Ethics Act.

No recusals were noted for the record.

HEARINGS

IKRAMELAHAI, SASHA MELISSA – Locust Grove, Georgia

The Board was represented by Mr. Gary "Adam" Moyers. Ms. Ikramelahai did not appear, and the matter was heard in absentia.

Ms. Ikramelahai was charged with immoral and dishonorable conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(1), having made false statements or representations to the Board or willfully concealed from the Board material information in connection with an application for a license within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(3), having committed unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6), and by false representations having obtained or attempted to obtain practice, money, or anything or value within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(8.).

Following a hearing, the Board found that:

- 1. Ms. Ikramelahai committed immoral and dishonorable conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(1);
- 2. Ms. Ikramelahai made false statements or representations to the Board or willfully concealed from the Board material information in connection with an application for a license within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(3);
- 3. Ms. Ikramelahai committed unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6); and
- 4. Ms. Ikramelahai by false representations obtained or attempted to obtain practice, money, or anything or value within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(8.).

The Board voted to annul Ms. Ikramelahai's license to practice as a physician assistant in North Carolina.

MOHOMED, FASIL FERRIS, M.D. – Lumberton, NC

The Board was represented by Mr. Robert Patchett. Dr. Mohomed did not appear, and the matter was heard in absentia.

Dr. Mohomed was charged with being unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of alcohol, drugs, chemical or any other type of material or by reason of any physical or mental abnormality within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(5) and unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6).

Following a hearing, the Board found that:

- 1. Dr. Mohomed's conduct, constituted him being unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of alcohol, drugs, chemical or any other type of material or by reason of any physical or mental abnormality within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(5); and
- 2. Dr. Mohomed committed unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6) including, but not limited to, a departure from, or the failure to conform to the ethics of the medical profession, or the committing of any act contrary to honesty, justice, or good morals.

The Board voted to indefinitely suspend Dr. Mohomed's license to practice medicine in North Carolina.

FARRAG, TARIK YAHIA, M.D. – Panama City, Florida

The Board was represented by Mr. Marcus Jimison. Dr. Farrag did not appear.

Mr. Jimison presented communications from Dr. Farrag requesting a continuance of the hearing.

The Board President and Presiding Officer, in consultation with Independent Counsel, granted a continuance of the hearing until the October 2024 hearing session.

SURRINDER, DHAWAN, M.D. – Sanford, North Carolina

The Board was represented by Ms. Bettina Roberts. Dr. Dhawan was represented by Landon White.

The Board heard presentations by Mr. White and Ms. Roberts regarding Dr. Dhawan's Motion for Relief Pursuant to Rule 60(b).

The Board voted to deny Dr. Dhawan's Motion for Relief Pursuant to Rule 60(b) and proceed with the hearing on the January 26, 2024 Notice of Charges and Allegations.

Dr. Dhawan was charged with failure to comply with a Board Order within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(14) and unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6).

Following a hearing, the Board found that:

Dr. Dhawan's failure to submit to a comprehensive examination as specified in the 2023
Consent Order constituted his failure to comply with a Board Order within the meaning of N.C.
Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(14) and also constituted unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 90-14(a)(6).

The Board voted to indefinitely suspend Dr. Dhawan's license to practice medicine in North Carolina. Further, Dr. Dhawan shall not apply for reinstatement of his medical license until such time as he submits for a comprehensive examination.

Adjournment:

This meeting was adjourned at 8:55 a.m., Friday, June 21, 2024.

Anuradha Rao-Patel, M.D. Secretary/Treasurer

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