BEFORE THE
NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

In re: 

Vamsee Prasad Paruchuri, M.D., 

Respondent. 

CONSENT ORDER 

This matter is before the North Carolina Medical Board ("Board") on the application of Vamsee Prasad Paruchuri, M.D. ("Dr. Paruchuri") for reinstatement of his license to practice medicine. Dr. Paruchuri admits and the Board finds and concludes that:

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

The Board is a body duly organized under the laws of North Carolina and is the proper party to bring this proceeding under the authority granted it in Article 1 of Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes and the rules and regulations promulgated thereto.

FINDINGS OF FACT

On February 14, 2012, Dr. Paruchuri entered into a Consent Order with this Board whereby Dr. Paruchuri was indefinitely suspended from the practice of medicine because of impairment from substances, the details of which are contained in that Consent Order.
Dr. Paruchuri now seeks reinstatement of his medical license.

On July 17, 2013, Dr. Paruchuri met with a panel of the Board to discuss his application for reinstatement.

Dr. Paruchuri has signed a monitoring contract with the North Carolina Physicians Health Program (“NCPHP”).

Dr. Paruchuri has successfully completed inpatient treatment for his substance abuse issue. In addition, Dr. Paruchuri has fully complied with the terms of his NCPHP monitoring contract and NCPHP advocates for his reinstatement.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

When abusing controlled substances, Dr. Paruchuri is unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients by reason of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of alcohol, drugs, chemicals, 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 grounds exist under that section of the North Carolina General Statutes for the Board to annul, suspend, revoke, or limit Dr. Paruchuri’s medical license issued by the Board or to deny any application he might make in the future.
PROCEDURAL STIPULATIONS

Dr. Paruchuri acknowledges and agrees that the Board has jurisdiction over him and over the subject matter of this case.

Dr. Paruchuri knowingly waives his right to any hearing and to any judicial review or appeal in this case.

Dr. Paruchuri acknowledges that he has read and understands this Consent Order and enters into it voluntarily.

Dr. Paruchuri would like to resolve this matter without the need for more formal proceedings.

The Board has determined that it is in the public interest to resolve this case as set forth below.

ORDER

Now, therefore, with Dr. Paruchuri’s consent, it is ORDERED that:

1. The Board shall issue Dr. Paruchuri a license to expire on the date shown thereon.

2. Dr. Paruchuri agrees to abide by all laws. Likewise, he shall obey all rules and regulations involving the practice of medicine.

3. Dr. Paruchuri shall maintain his contract with NCPHP and abide by its terms, including the timely payment of any fees required by NCPHP.

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4. Upon request by the Board, Dr. Paruchuri shall supply urine, blood, hair, or any other bodily fluid or tissue sample the Board might reasonably require for the purposes of analysis to determine if he has consumed any of the substances mentioned above. All costs of obtaining and analyzing such samples shall be borne by Dr. Paruchuri.

5. Unless lawfully prescribed for him by someone other than himself, Dr. Paruchuri shall refrain from the use or possession of all mind- or mood-altering substances and all controlled substances including but not limited to, sedatives, stimulants, and pain medications.

6. Dr. Paruchuri shall notify the Board in writing within ten (10) days of his use of such medication. This notice shall include, but shall not be limited to, identification of the prescribing physician and of the pharmacy filling the prescription.

7. Dr. Paruchuri shall notify the Board in writing of any change in his residence or practice addresses within ten (10) days of the change.

8. If Dr. Paruchuri fails to comply with any of the terms of this Consent Order, that failure shall constitute unprofessional conduct within the meaning of N.C. Gen. Stat. §
90-14(a)(6) and shall be grounds, after any required notice and hearing, for the Board to annul, suspend, revoke, condition, or limit Dr. Paruchuri's medical license or to deny any application he might make in the future or then have pending for a license.

9. Dr. Paruchuri shall meet with the Board or members of the Board for an informal interview at the Board's January 2014 meeting and at such other times as requested by the Board.

10. This Consent Order shall take effect immediately upon its execution by both Dr. Paruchuri and the Board and it shall continue in effect until specifically ordered otherwise by the Board.

11. Dr. Paruchuri hereby waives any requirement under any law or rule that this Consent Order be served on him.

12 Upon execution by Dr. Paruchuri and the Board, this Consent Order shall become a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and shall be subject to public inspection and dissemination pursuant to the provisions thereof. Additionally, it will be reported to persons, entities, agencies, and clearinghouses, as required and permitted by law, including, but not limited to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.
By Order of the North Carolina Medical Board this the 22nd day of August, 2013.

NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD

By: ____________________________
William A. Walker, M.D.
President
Consented to this the 20 day of August, 2013.

Vamsee Prasad Paruchuri, M.D.

State of North Carolina
County of Rockingham

I, Kimberly Ann Yates, a Notary Public for the above named County and State, do hereby certify that Vamsee Prasad Paruchuri, M.D. personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal this the 20 day of August, 2013.

Kimberly Ann Yates
Notary Public
My Commission expires: 3-2-2015