STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION:
OR REVOCATION OF THE LICENSE OF:

Saad Saad, M.D.
LICENSE NO. 25MA03618500

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY:
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action
INTERIM CONSENT ORDER

This matter was recently opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of information that Saad Saad, M.D. ("Respondent") was arrested and charged with endangering the welfare of a child, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4(a)(1), and criminal sexual contact, in violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:14-13(b). More specifically, the Board was notified that Respondent, a pediatric surgeon, was arrested on July 17, 2017, and charged with two counts alleging the improper and inappropriate touching of a minor patient. All of these charges stem from an investigation by the Eatontown Police Department and the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office.
These allegations, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent engaged in gross and/or repeated acts of negligence, professional misconduct, sexual misconduct and acts constituting crimes of moral turpitude and crimes which relate adversely to the practice of medicine, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (c), (d), (e), (f) and (h), specifically N.J.A.C. 13:35-6.3. Additionally, these allegations, if proven, would palpably demonstrate a clear and imminent danger to the public health, safety and welfare to the people of the State of New Jersey, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-22.

The parties being desirous of resolving this matter on an interim basis without the necessity of further proceedings and it appearing that Respondent has read the terms of the within Interim Consent Order and understands their meaning and effect and consents to be bound by same and has availed himself of the advice of counsel, and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety, and welfare;

IT IS, therefore, on this 15th day of AUGUST, 2017,

ORDERED THAT:

1. Respondent, Saad Saad, M.D., is hereby granted leave to, and shall, immediately surrender his license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey. Such surrender will be deemed a temporary suspension of his license to practice medicine and surgery pending the disposition of the criminal charges and until further order of the Board.
2. Respondent shall cease and desist all patient contact at any location and the rendering of medical care, including the issuance of any prescription for, or dispensation of, medications of any kind including but not limited to Controlled Dangerous Substances ("CDS"), to any patient pending the disposition of the criminal charges and until further order of the Board.

3. Respondent shall not charge, receive or share in any fee for professional services rendered by others. Respondent shall be permitted to collect account receivables with respect to professional services that he rendered prior to the signing of this Interim Consent Order.

4. Respondent shall only be in contact with the Directors of the K. Hovnanian Children’s Hospital ("Children's Hospital") at Jersey Shore Hospital for the limited purpose of offering administrative guidance to the Directors. This service will be provided to the Children's Hospital by Respondent via telephone or electronic communication. Respondent may not have any patient contact while offering these services to the Children's Hospital. For these services, Respondent may receive a Fixed Compensation from the Children’s Hospital.

5. Respondent shall not enter the premises of his medical practice during business hours or at any time when patients may be present.

6. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an admission of
liability on the part of Respondent.

7. Respondent shall immediately return his original New Jersey license and current biennial registration to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, Post Office Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183.

8. Respondent shall immediately advise the Drug Enforcement Agency (the "DEA") of this Order, specifically the temporary surrender of his physician license, and provide the Board within five days of proof of said notification to the DEA.

9. Respondent shall comply with the terms of the "Directives Applicable to Any Medical Board Licensee who is Disciplined or Whose Surrender of Licensure or Cessation of Practice has been Ordered or Agreed Upon," attached hereto and made a part hereof.

10. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Interim Consent Order is without prejudice to further action, investigation, prosecution, or restrictions upon reinstatement by this Board, the Attorney General, the Drug Control Unit, the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to the entry of this Order.

11. The Board shall retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Order. Upon receipt of any reliable information indicating that Respondent has violated any term of this Order, the Board reserves the right to bring further disciplinary action.
I have read and understood the within Interim Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

Saad Saad, M.D.  

Date  

Consent is hereby given as to the form and entry of this Order.

Robert A. Honecker, Jr., Esq.  
Attorney for Respondent  

Date