

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD
IN THE MATTER OF: SHAILESH CHHOTALAL VORA, M.D.

EMERGENCY ORDER OF SUSPENSION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to ACA §25-15-201, and ACA§25-15-211, both of the Administrative Procedure Act, and ACA §17-95-410 of the Medical Practices Act, the Arkansas State Medical Board issues the following Emergency Order of Suspension and Notice of Hearing, charging Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D., with alleged violation of the Medical Practices Act, more specifically:

1. ACA §17-95-409(a)(2)(p), that is, violating a rule or regulation of the Board, more specifically, Regulation 32 prohibiting a licensed physician from utilizing words or acts which sexually harass patients within the clinic or hospital setting.
2. ACA §17-95-409(a)(2)(s), that is, committing an ethical violation as determined by the Board, more specifically Regulation 32D, prohibiting a licensed physician from utilizing words or acts which sexually harass patients within the clinic or hospital setting.

The allegations upon which the above charges are based are as follows:

I.

Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D. is licensed to practice medicine in the State of Arkansas pursuant to the provisions of the Medical Practices Act.

II.

Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D. sexually harassed a patient identified as ET in his clinic setting and he engaged in sexual contact with the patient.

III.

Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D., sexually harassed a patient identified as NS in his clinic setting.

IV.

Pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, A.C.A. § 25-15-211(c) and upon an affirmative vote of the majority of the Arkansas State Medical Board, the Board finds that the acts of Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D. described hereinabove, presents a danger to the public health, safety, and welfare; and therefore the license to practice medicine in the State of Arkansas of Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D. is suspended on an emergency basis pending a disciplinary hearing in this matter or further orders of the Board.

WHEREFORE, it is CONSIDERED, ORDERED and ADJUDGED by the Arkansas State Medical Board that the license to practice medicine in the State of Arkansas of Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D., is suspended on an emergency basis pending a disciplinary hearing or further orders of the Board.

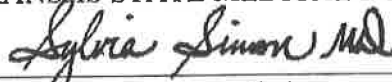
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the Arkansas State Medical Board that a hearing should be conducted to determine whether Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D. has violated the Medical Practices Act, and the Rules and Regulations of the Board. If it is found that he has, in fact, violated the Medical Practices Act and the Rules and Regulations of the Board, then the Board should determine whether the license of Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D. to practice medicine in the State of Arkansas should be revoked or suspended, or whether other sanctions should be given as punishment, pursuant to the authority granted to the Board in A.C.A. §17-95-410. Said hearing will be conducted at 2:15 pm o'clock on the 6 day of June, 2019, at

the offices of the Arkansas State Medical Board, 1401 Wet Capitol, Suite 340, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201.

Shailesh Chhotalal Vora, M.D., is hereby advised that he may be represented by counsel at the hearing, and that he will be given the opportunity to examine all evidence offered to the Board, cross-examine witnesses, and offer evidence and witnesses in his own behalf.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

ARKANSAS STATE MEDICAL BOARD




Sylvia D. Simon, M.D., Chairman

4/17/2019

Date

Approved as to Form:


Kevin M. O'Dwyer
Attorney for the Arkansas State Medical Board