

October 23, 2024

Zinia Sue Thomas, MD

Email Address:

Re: License Number: DR.0065524 Case Number: 2022-8356-B

Dear Dr. Thomas,

The Colorado Medical Board has concluded its inquiry into the aforementioned matter. It was the Panel's decision not to commence with formal proceedings against your professional license. However, the Panel did determine disciplinary action in the form of this letter of admonition is warranted.

As you recall, on or about January 20, 2023, the Board issued an order directing you to undergo an evaluation with the Colorado Physician Health Program ("CPHP"). You were required to contact CPHP and sign any releases by January 27, 2023, and schedule and attend an initial intake appointment. On February 28, 2023, your license to practice medicine in Colorado was suspended due to your non-compliance with the order to CPHP. You remain non-compliant with the order to CPHP. On or about April 30, 2023, your Colorado license expired.

After consideration of the information in this case, the Panel finds that you committed unprofessional conduct in violation of section 12-240-121(1)(n) of the Colorado Revised Statutes. Specifically, you violated a valid board order, the January 20, 2023, CPHP Order. You did not contact CPHP, complete releases, or complete an evaluation by the deadlines established in the order or at any time after those dates. Since your license is currently expired, this letter is being issued to admonish you for non-compliance with the CPHP Order. If you apply for reinstatement of your license in the future, you may be required to undergo an evaluation at that time.

By this letter, the Board takes the formal disciplinary action of admonishing you for the conduct specified above and warns you that repetition of such practice may lead to imposition of more severe disciplinary action. This letter is an open public record and a reportable action to individuals or entities requesting disciplinary information. The Board strongly encourages you to review and understand the Medical Practice Act requirements and obligations for the practice of medicine in Colorado.

In accordance with section 12-20-404(4)(b), C.R.S., the Board advises you that you have the right to make a written request that the Board initiate formal disciplinary proceedings in order to adjudicate the conduct or acts upon which this letter is based. You must make your written request within twenty (20) days after receipt of this letter and address your request to Paula Martinez, Program Director at paula.martinez@state.co.us. If you make a timely request, the Board will deem this letter of admonition vacated and may proceed with disciplinary and/or injunctive proceedings in accordance with section 12-20-404(4)(b)(II), C.R.S. and applicable rules.

A Letter of Admonition, when accepted, becomes a permanent, public portion of your record. It is not, however, a restriction on your practice as a professional physician.

If you have further questions or concerns, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/dora/dpo">https://www.colorado.gov/dora/dpo</a> or you can contact our office at dora\_medicalboard@state.co.us or by calling (303) 894-7716.



Sincerely,

FOR THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD WITH DELEGATED AUTHORITY FROM INQUIRY PANEL B

Paula Martinez

**Program Director** 

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