ORDER OF SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-240-125(8)(a), C.R.S.

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AS A PHYSICIAN IN THE STATE OF COLORADO OF NEELIMA PRADHAN, M.D., LICENSE NUMBER DR.34754,

Respondent.

TO: NEELIMA PRADHAN, M.D.:

THIS MATTER was reviewed by Inquiry Panel B ("Panel") of the Colorado Medical Board ("Board") during a regularly scheduled meeting of the Panel on December 19, 2024. The Panel finds that after reviewing all available information in relation to the above-captioned case:

- 1. Respondent was licensed to practice medicine in the state of Colorado on August 17, 1995, and was issued license number DR.34754 to practice medicine in the state of Colorado.
- 2. On or about October 10, 2024, the Board reviewed all matters set forth in case numbers 2024-7879-B and 2024-7880-B. Specifically, the Board reviewed materials indicating that Respondent has a mental or physical health condition that could potentially impair her ability to practice medicine.
- 3. On or about November 15, 2024, the Board issued an Order pursuant to section 12-240-125(8)(a), C.R.S. ("Order") requiring Respondent to submit to a mental or physical examination by the Colorado Physician Health Program ("CPHP"). The Order to CPHP, among other requirements, required Respondent:
 - a. To contact CPHP no later than November 22, 2024;
 - b. To execute, no later than November 22, 2024, all releases to allow unrestricted communication between CPHP and the Panel;
 - c. To appear for all appointments with CPHP;
 - d. To provide any information requested by CPHP;
 - e. To schedule timely appointments as requested or recommended by CPHP;
 - f. To schedule and attend an initial intake appointment with CPHP, which shall occur at CPHP's next available date but in no event later than December 27, 2024;
 - g. To otherwise cooperate fully with CPHP; and
 - h. To continue to cooperate fully with CPHP and to comply with any and all requests or recommendations CPHP deems appropriate to facilitate any and all examinations necessary to determine if Respondent is unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients because of a condition described in sections 12-

240-121(1)(e) or (i), C.R.S., or section 12-30-108(1), C.R.S.

- 4. On or about January 6, 2025, the Panel received communication from CPHP that Respondent had contacted CPHP on November 18, 2024, and that she had executed a Release of Information. However, despite CPHP outreach, Respondent has not re-contacted CPHP as instructed, to complete her new referral call, or schedule her intake appointment.
- 5. On January 16, 2025, the Board again reviewed all matters set forth in case numbers 2024-7879-B and 2024-7880-B.
- 6. Pursuant to the Order to CPHP and section 12-240-125(8)(a), C.R.S., Respondent's failure to comply with the requirements of the Order to CPHP is grounds for suspension. The Panel finds that Respondent has failed to comply with CPHP's requirements to re-contacting CPHP, completing a new referral call, and scheduling and attending an intake appointment. Respondent has thus failed to comply with the requirements of the Order to CPHP.
- 7. Pursuant to section 12-240-125(8)(a), C.R.S., the Panel is authorized to suspend Respondent's license to practice medicine in the state of Colorado until the required examinations are conducted and pending further disciplinary proceedings.

THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- A. Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state is hereby suspended in accordance with section 12-240-125(8)(a), C.R.S., effective at 4:00 p.m., February 25, 2025; and
- B. The suspension shall remain in effect until such time as Respondent has met the recommendations made by CPHP, Respondent has come into compliance with CPHP's evaluation efforts, CPHP has provided adequate confirmation to the Panel of Respondent's full compliance with the Board's Order to CPHP and Respondent has received written notice from the Board that the suspension has been terminated. The suspension shall not be terminated until the Panel has reviewed, at the next regularly scheduled meeting after submission, a final evaluation and report issued by CPHP establishing that Respondent has complied with the Panel's Order and is safe to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients.

ORDERED this 24th day of February, 2025.

FOR THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD INQUIRY PANEL B

Paula E. Martinez

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Program Director, Colorado Medical Board Delegated authority to sign on behalf of

INQUIRY PANEL B, COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD