



North Carolina Medical Board

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January 3, 2024

Mohammad Farooque, M.D.
Craft Behavioral Health LLC
10175 Fortune Parkway; Unit 1106
Jacksonville, FL 32256

Dear Dr. Farooque:

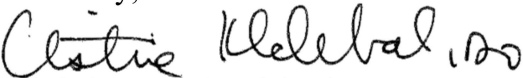
The North Carolina Medical Board (“Board”) has concluded its investigation related to the action taken against your Florida medical license by the Florida Board of Medicine (“Florida Board”). It is the Board’s decision not to commence formal proceedings against your North Carolina medical license at this time. However, the Board voted to issue you this public letter of concern. The Board does not consider a public letter of concern to be a disciplinary action or a limitation or restriction on your North Carolina medical license.

The Board is concerned that on August 28, 2023, the Florida Board executed a Final Order that issued a Letter of Concern, assessed a \$5,000.00 fine, and required your successful completion of five (5) hours of Continuing Medical Education (“CME”) in prescribing controlled substances and five (5) hours of CME in risk management. This action was based on your prescribing inappropriate amounts of Clonazepam and Adderall based on the patient’s medical history and failing to document justification for prescribing the combination of controlled substances. Additionally, the Florida Board cited two occasions, in June 2019 and January 2020, when the patient’s urine drug screens (“UDS”) were negative for all controlled substances, indicating the patient was not taking prescribed controlled medications, and you failed to investigate or failed to document investigating the cause of the negative UDS.

The Board urges you to take steps to ensure the conduct giving rise to the Board’s concerns does not happen again. Otherwise, the Board may take additional action against your North Carolina license to practice medicine. If that happens, this letter may be reviewed in determining the appropriate action.

This public letter of concern is a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and is subject to public inspection and dissemination as required by that law. It will be reported to the Federation of State Medical Boards.

Sincerely,


Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O., MHPE
President

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Consent and Waiver

I, Mohammad Farooque, M.D., would like to resolve this matter without the need for more formal proceedings and consent to the Board's issuance of this public letter of concern in resolution of the above matter. I hereby waive any requirement under any law or rule that this public letter of concern be served on me.

Consented to this the 26 day of December, 2023

Mohammad Farooque, M.D.

State of FL

County of Duval

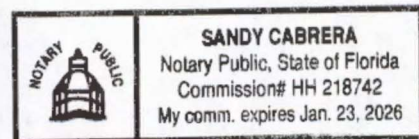
I, Sandy Cabrera, do hereby certify that Mohammad Farooque, M.D. personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal this the 26 day of December, 2023.

SCH
Notary Public

(Official Seal)

My Commission Expires: Jan 23, 2026



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