

**STATE OF TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF:</b>	)	<b>BEFORE THE TENNESSEE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS</b>
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<b>NASREEN A. BEGUM, M.D. RESPONDENT</b>	)	<b>CASE NO: 2017058011</b>
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<b>ANTIOCH, TENNESSEE</b>	)	
<b>TENNESSEE LICENSE NO.: 480</b>	)	

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**CONSENT ORDER**

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Come now the Division of Health Related Boards of the Tennessee Department of Health (hereinafter the "Division"), by and through the Office of General Counsel, and Respondent Nasreen A. Begum, M.D. (hereinafter "Respondent"), who would respectfully move the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners (hereinafter the "Board") for approval of this Consent Order affecting Respondent's medical license in the State of Tennessee.

The Board is responsible for the regulation and supervision of medical doctors licensed to practice in the State of Tennessee. *See* Tennessee Medical Practice Act, Tennessee Code Annotated Section (hereinafter "TENN. CODE ANN. §") 63-6-101, *et seq.* It is the policy of the Board to require strict compliance with the laws of this State, and to apply the laws so as to preserve the quality of medical care provided in Tennessee. It is the duty and responsibility of the Board to enforce the Tennessee Medical Practice Act in such a manner as to promote and protect the public health, safety and welfare in every practicable way, including disciplining medical doctors who violate the provisions of TENN. CODE ANN. § 63-6-101, *et seq.* or the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Board and recorded in the Official Compilation Rules and Regulations of the State of Tennessee (hereinafter "TENN. COMP. R. & REGS.").

Respondent, by her signature to this Consent Order, waives the right to a contested case hearing and any and all rights to judicial review in this matter. Respondent agrees that presentation to and consideration of this Consent Order by the Board for ratification and all matters divulged during that process shall not constitute unfair disclosure such that the Board or any of its members shall be prejudiced to the extent that requires their disqualification from hearing this matter should this Order not be ratified. Likewise, all matters, admissions and statements disclosed or exchanged during the attempted ratification process shall not be used against Respondent in any subsequent proceeding unless independently entered into evidence or introduced as admissions.

Respondent expressly waives all further procedural steps and expressly waives all rights to seek judicial review of or to challenge or contest the validity of this Consent Order. Respondent understands that by signing this Consent Order, Respondent is allowing the Board to issue its order without further process. Respondent acknowledges that this is a formal disciplinary action and will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank and/ or similar agency. In the event that the Board rejects this Consent Order for any reason, it will be of no force or effect for either party.

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## **I. STIPULATIONS OF FACT**

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1. Respondent has been at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Board as a special training medical doctor in the State of Tennessee, having been granted Tennessee special training medical license number 480 by the Board on November 5, 2002, which expired on June 30, 2005.

2. On June 20, 2014, New York disciplined Respondent's New York medical license, precluding her from "patient contact and any practice of medicine, clinical or otherwise" for inappropriately prescribing "controlled substances, including amphetamines and benzodiazepines" to various patients.
3. On November 5, 2015, Respondent entered a guilty plea in the Suffolk County Court of the State of New York for three counts of "Criminal Sale of Prescription For Controlled Substances". On November 18, 2015, she was placed on electronic monitoring for 6 months. May 4, 2017, she was sentenced to 5 years' probation. Additionally, as part of her plea agreement, she agreed to not seek reinstatement and not to work in the health profession in any capacity for a period of 5 years.

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## II. GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE

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The facts stipulated to in the Stipulations of Fact are sufficient to establish that grounds for discipline of Respondent's medical license exist. Specifically, Respondent has violated the following statutes or rules which are part of the Tennessee Medical Practice Act, (TENN. CODE ANN. § 63-6-101, *et seq.*) for which disciplinary action before and by the Board is authorized:

4. The facts stipulated in in paragraphs two (2) and three (3) *supra*, constitute a violation of TENN. CODE ANN. § 63-6-214(b)(10):

Conviction of a felony, conviction of any offense under state or federal laws relative to drugs or the practice of medicine, conviction of any offense involving moral turpitude or conviction of any offense for which the person is required to register as a sexual offender or violent sexual offender pursuant to title 40, chapter 39, part 2;

5. The facts stipulated in paragraphs two (2) and three (3) *supra* constitute a violation of TENN. CODE ANN. § 63-6-214(b)(20):

Disciplinary action against a person licensed to practice medicine by another state or territory of the United States for any acts or omissions that would constitute grounds for discipline of a person licensed in this state.

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### III. POLICY STATEMENT

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The Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners takes this action in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the people of the State of Tennessee and ensure that the public confidence in the integrity of the medical profession is preserved.

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### IV. ORDER

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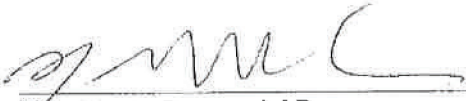
**NOW THEREFORE**, Respondent, for the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, agrees to the following:

6. The Tennessee medical license of Nasreen A. Begum, M.D., license number 30413, is hereby **REVOKED** effective the date of entry of this Order.
7. Respondent understands that this is a formal disciplinary action and will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank (N.P.D.B.) and/or similar agency.


This **CONSENT ORDER** was approved by a majority of a quorum of the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners at a public meeting of the Board and signed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

  
Chairperson  
Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners

APPROVED FOR ENTRY:

  
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Nasreen A. Begum, M.D.  
Respondent

8/15/18  
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of this document has been served upon Respondent, Nasreen A. Begum, M.D., 6132 Firelight Tr., Antioch, TN 37013, and 17 Feller Dr., Central Islip, NY 11722-1209 by delivering same in the United States Mail; Certified Number 7017 0190 0001 0037 4057 return receipts requested, and United States First Class Postage Pre-Paid Mail, with sufficient postage thereon to reach its destination.

This 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

  
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Assistant General Counsel