



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Olympia, Washington 98504

RE: CHRISTINE LLOYD, MD
Master Case No.: M2024-205
Document: Stipulation to Informal Disposition

Regarding your request for information about the above-named practitioner; attached is a true and correct copy of the document on file with the State of Washington, Department of Health, Adjudicative Clerk's Office. These records are considered Certified by the Department of Health.

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The following information has been withheld: **NONE**

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**STATE OF WASHINGTON
WASHINGTON MEDICAL COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the License to Practice
as a Physician and Surgeon of:

CHRISTINE LLOYD, MD
License No. MD.MD.60309651

Respondent.

No. M2024-205

**STIPULATION TO INFORMAL
DISPOSITION**

Pursuant to the Uniform Disciplinary Act, Chapter 18.130 RCW, the Washington Medical Commission (Commission) issued a Statement of Allegations and Summary of Evidence (Statement of Allegations) alleging the conduct described below. Respondent does not admit any of the allegations. This Stipulation to Informal Disposition (Stipulation) is not formal disciplinary action and shall not be construed as a finding of unprofessional conduct or inability to practice.

1. ALLEGATIONS

1.1 On October 11, 2012, the state of Washington issued Respondent a license to practice as a physician and surgeon. Respondent is board certified in psychiatry. Respondent's license is currently active. Respondent reports that she is fully retired from practice and does not plan to renew her license at the time of its expiration.

Patients A through F

1.2 Respondent performed independent medical examinations (IME) of Patients A through F for the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries (L&I).

1.3 Respondent conducted examinations that did not meet the standard of care for the purpose of the exam.

1.4 Respondent's IME examinations and reports did not meet the standard of care regarding documentation of objective, sound, and sufficient medical information, documentation of the worker's history and clinical findings, and documentation of objective conclusions and recommendations supported by underlying rationale linked to the patient's medical history and clinical findings.

1.5 Because Respondent incorrectly believed that a patient must suffer a life-threatening injury in order to be diagnosed with posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD), Respondent's reports for Patients A through E did not include a diagnosis of PTSD. Suffering a life-threatening injury is not one of the diagnostic criteria for PTSD in the Diagnostic and Statistics Manual of Mental Disorders, fifth edition (DSM-5).

1.6 For Patients A, C, D, and F Respondent did not meet the standard of care for evaluation and documentation of whether the patients posed an imminent risk to themselves or others.

1.7 For Patients A through F, the diagnostic skill and reasoning that Respondent documented in the reports did not meet the standard of care.

2. STIPULATION

2.1 The Commission alleges that the conduct described above, if proven, would constitute a violation of RCW 18.130.180(1), (4) & (7).

2.2 The parties wish to resolve this matter by means of a Stipulation pursuant to RCW 18.130.172(1).

2.3 Respondent agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Stipulation.

2.4 This Stipulation is of no force and effect and is not binding on the parties unless and until it is accepted by the Commission.

2.5 If the Commission accepts the Stipulation, it will be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank (45 CFR Part 60), the Federation of State Medical Boards' Physician Data Center and elsewhere as required by law.

2.6 The Statement of Allegations and this Stipulation are public documents. They will be placed on the Department of Health web site, disseminated via the Commission's electronic mailing list, and disseminated according to the Uniform Disciplinary Act (Chapter 18.130 RCW). They are subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW, and shall remain part of Respondent's file according to the state's records retention law and cannot be expunged.

2.7 The Commission agrees to forgo further disciplinary proceedings concerning the allegations.

2.8 Respondent agrees to successfully complete the terms and conditions of this informal disposition.

2.9 A violation of the provisions of Section 3 of this Stipulation, if proved, would constitute grounds for discipline under RCW 18.130.180 and the imposition of sanctions under RCW 18.130.160.

3. INFORMAL DISPOSITION

The Commission and Respondent stipulate to the following terms:

3.1 **Permanent Voluntary Surrender.** Respondent voluntarily SURRENDERS her license to practice as a physician and surgeon. Respondent will not resume practice as a physician and surgeon in the state of Washington including temporary, emergency, or volunteer practice. In addition, Respondent shall refrain from providing an opinion as to professional practice or its application and from representing that Respondent is eligible to practice medicine. Respondent acknowledges that the surrender is permanent and that she is ineligible to renew, reactivate, or to practice subject to a retired active license as a physician and surgeon in the state of Washington. Respondent must remove from the public domain any representations that Respondent is eligible to practice medicine and divest from any professional service corporations organized to engage in the practice of medicine. Respondent must notify all patients, health care plans with which she contracts, and hospitals where she has privileges that she is no longer practicing and make arrangements for the transfer and maintenance of all patient records.

3.2 **Return of License.** Respondent agrees, upon receiving a copy of this Stipulation, to immediately return her wallet license card and wall license certificate (if they exist) to:

Compliance Officer
Washington Medical Commission
Department of Health
P.O. Box 47866
Olympia, WA 98504-7866

3.3 **Effective Date.** The effective date of this Stipulation is the date the Adjudicative Clerk Office places the signed Stipulation into the U.S. mail.

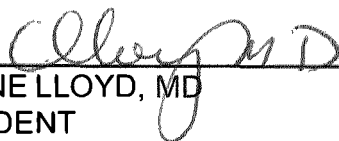
4. COMPLIANCE WITH SANCTION RULES

4.1 The Commission applies WAC 246-16-800, *et seq.*, to determine appropriate sanctions, including stipulations to informal disposition under RCW 18.130.172. WAC 246-16-800(2)(b)(iii) provides for surrender of a credential by a

license holder as an alternative to imposing sanctions consistent with the sanction guidelines. Respondent understands and agrees that on the effective date of this Stipulation, she will no longer practice medicine in any capacity within the state of Washington. Respondent's surrender of her physician and surgeon license is enough to protect the public and no other sanctions are necessary.

5. RESPONDENT'S ACCEPTANCE

I, CHRISTINE LLOYD, MD, Respondent, certify that I have read this Stipulation in its entirety; that my counsel of record, CAROL SUE JANES, has fully explained the legal significance and consequence of it; that I fully understand and agree to all of it; and that it may be presented to the Commission without my appearance. If the Commission accepts the Stipulation, I understand that I will receive a signed copy.



CHRISTINE LLOYD, MD
RESPONDENT

11/7/24
DATE



CAROL SUE JANES, WSBA NO. 16557
ATTORNEY FOR RESPONDENT


11/7/24
DATE

6. COMMISSION'S ACCEPTANCE

The Commission accepts this Stipulation. All parties shall be bound by its terms and conditions.

DATED: November 14, 2024

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PANEL CHAIR

PRESENTED BY:



LISA C. KRYNICKI, WSBA NO. 58984
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