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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

YOGESH C. PAREEK, M.D.

ORDER GRANTING FULL REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

Petitioner.

LS 0411291MED

TO: Yogesh C. Pareek, M.D. 526 Ledgewood Drive Fond du Lac, WI 54936

On May 21, 2008, the Medical Examining Board considered the petitioner's request for full reinstatement of his medical license. Based upon all information of record showing that the petitioner has fully satisfied the terms and conditions of the Board order dated October 12, 2005, the Board now find and makes the following:

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the request for full reinstatement of the medical license of YOGESH C. PAREEK, M.D. (lic.# 36293-20) is hereby GRANTED. All limitations upon the medical license of the petitioner are removed.

This order is effective on the date signed below.

STATE OF WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Ian Munro, M.D. Secretary of the Board 5/29/08

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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOGESH PAREEK, M.D. ORD

ORDER DENYING FULL REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

Petitioner.

LS0411291MED

TO: Yogesh Pareek, M.D. 526 Ledgewood Drive Fond du Lac, WI 54935

On July 19, 2006, the Medical Examining Board considered the petitioner's request for full reinstatement of his medical license pursuant to the Board order dated October 12, 2005. The petitioner submitted information showing that he had completed the required continuing education. However, based upon the information of record showing the petitioner has not satisfied the lim itation on his license that he may not practice in a correctional facility for a period of not less than 2 years from the date of the Board's original order, the Board now finds and makes the following:

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the request for full reinstatement of the medical license of Yogesh Pareek (lic. #36293) to practice medicine in the state of Wisconsin is hereby DENIED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the petitioner's license shall remain limited until 2007 in accordance with the terms of his original board order.

This Order is effective upon the date of signing. STATE OF WISCONSIN WISCONSIN MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

Sujatha Kailas, M.D. Secretary of the Board 7/25/2006

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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD

| IN THE MATTER OF | : |
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| DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAIN | IST |

YOGESH PAREEK, M.D., RESPONDENT.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER LS # 0411291 MED

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The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Yogesh Pareek, M.D. 526 Ledgewood Drive Fond du Lac WI 54935

Division of Enforcement Department of Regulation and Licensing 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Medical Examining Board Department of Regulation & Licensing 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

This disciplinary proceeding was initiated by the filing of a formal disciplinary complaint by the Division of Enforcement against Dr. Pareek. The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Medical Examining Board. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Yogesh Pareek, M.D., ("Respondent") was born on October 4, 1965, and is licensed to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin pursuant to license number 36293, first granted on January 27, 1995. Respondent is a psychiatrist.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board is 526 Ledgewood Drive, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin 54935.

3. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was working as a psychiatrist at Waupun Correctional Institution, Waupun, Wisconsin.

4. Matthew S., a prisoner of the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, committed suicide in his cell at the Waupun Correctional Institution on July 29, 1998. Matthew S. had been one of Respondent's patients.

5. Matthew S. suffered from a persistent and severe mental illness, for which he had been treated with psychotropic medications. While he was taking his medications, his illness was in remission, but when he was not taking his medications he became psychotic.

6. Respondent permitted Matthew S. to discontinue his psychotropic medications on March 26, 1998, even though he knew that Matthew S. was likely to become psychotic as a consequence.

7. Respondent did not inform the correctional staff at Waupun Correctional Institution that Matthew S. was no longer taking the psychotropic medications, or that Matthew S. was likely to relapse to a psychotic condition.

8. Respondent's treatment plan for Matthew S. was to rely on Matthew S. to recognize that Matthew S. was becoming psychotic and to request psychiatric intervention and treatment when that happened, even though Respondent knew that Matthew S. could not be relied upon to recognize his own deteriorating condition.

9. Between March 26 and July 29, 1998, Matthew S. began to demonstrate self-destructive behaviors, including beating his head against his cell to the point that he required stitches to close the resulting wound.

10. A civil suit was filed against Respondent and others in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin alleging that Respondent was responsible, in part, for the death of Matthew S.

11. The jury in the federal suit found that Respondent was negligent with respect to his care and treatment of Matthew S., and that Respondent's negligence was a substantial factor in causing the death of Matthew S. On March 11, 2003, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin entered judgment consistent with the jury verdict.

12. When Respondent was contacted by the Division of Enforcement about his care and treatment of Matthew S., Respondent asserted that he was not legally authorized to do anything but permit Matthew S. to decide whether he needed treatment, because Matthew S. had not recently shown himself to be a danger to himself or others.

13. The legal standard for involuntary treatment of mentally ill persons who are already confined in prison, as Matthew S. was, does not require that the mentally ill person have a recent history of being a danger to himself or others, but only that the person be mentally ill, a proper subject for treatment, and in need of treatment.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Medical Examining Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 448.02(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.44(5).

2. Respondent's conduct with respect to the care and treatment of Matthew S. exposed Matthew S. to unreasonable risks of harm, and is unprofessional conduct under Wis. Admin. Code s. MED 10.02(2)(h).

3. Respondent's negligence in the care and treatment of Matthew S. as found by the jury and made the basis of the judgment of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin is unprofessional conduct under Wis. Stat. s. 448.02(3)(b).

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Yogesh Pareek, M.D., is hereby REPRIMANDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

2. The license of Yogesh Pareek, M.D. to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin is hereby LIMITED by the condition that he shall not practice in a correctional institution of any description for a period of not less than two years from the date of this Order. Yogesh Pareek, M.D., may petition the Board to lift this limitation at any time after two years from the date of this Order.

a. As used in this Order, "correctional institution" means any federal, state, or local facility that incarcerates or detains any adult or juvenile accused of, charged with, convicted of, or sentenced for any crime or juvenile offense.

3. The license of Yogesh Pareek, M.D., to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Wisconsin is hereby LIMITED by the condition that he shall, within nine months of the date of this order, complete 20 hours of continuing medical education in the practice of psychiatry in correctional institutions, with particular emphasis on the prevention of suicide by mentally ill inmates.

a. Yogesh Pareek, M.D., shall obtain approval from the Board's designee for any course he intends to complete in compliance with this Order before he takes the course. For purposes of this requirement, the Board's designee is:

Department Monitor Division of Enforcement Department of Regulation and Licensing P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935 Telephone (608) 267-3817 Fax (608) 266-2264

b. Yogesh Pareek shall be responsible for all costs associated with obtaining the continuing medical education required by this Order.

c. No part of the continuing medical education required by this Order may be credited to any other continuing medical education that Respondent may be required to complete.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that:

4. Respondent shall, within (180) days from the date of this Order, pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of Six Thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars. Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, and mailed to:

Department Monitor Division of Enforcement Department of Regulation and Licensing P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935 Telephone (608) 267-3817 Fax (608) 266-2264

5. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely pay costs as ordered or fails to comply with the ordered continuing education the Respondent's license (#36293) SHALL BE SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.

6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Medical Examining Board

By: Alfred L. Franger MD A Member of the Board October 12, 2005 Date