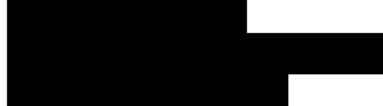




April 9, 2025

Case number: 25-CRF-0064

Gregory Lee Spears, M.D.



Dear Doctor Spears:

In accordance with Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby notified that the State Medical Board of Ohio [Board] intends to determine whether or not to limit, revoke, permanently revoke or suspend your license or certificate, or refuse to grant or register or issue the license or certificate for which you have a pending application in accordance with Section 9.79 of the Ohio Revised Code, or refuse to renew or reinstate your license or certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or to reprimand you or place you on probation for one or more of the following reasons:

- (1) On or about December 6, 2024 (and filed of record on or about December 12, 2024), the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure issued an Agreed Order [December 2024 Kentucky Board Order], wherein your license in Kentucky was restricted/limited for an indefinite period of time. Pursuant to the terms of the December 2024 Kentucky Board Order, you were required to utilize a chaperone when conducting any sensitive exam or being in the presence of a patient who was partially or fully disrobed; you were required to enroll in a Professional Fitness for Duty Assessment; and you were required to successfully complete a professional boundaries course. The December 2024 Kentucky Board Order, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein, was based on Stipulated Facts, which included three patient complaints of inappropriate touching, specific concerns noted by nursing staff, and that you prescribed Ketamine and Midazolam to a significantly higher number of female patients compared to male patients.

The December 2024 Kentucky Board Order as alleged in paragraph (1) above, constitutes "[a]ny of the following actions taken by an agency responsible for authorizing, certifying, or regulating an individual to practice a health care occupation or provide health care services in this state or another jurisdiction, for any reason other than the nonpayment of fees: the limitation, revocation, or suspension of an individual's license to practice; acceptance of an individual's license surrender; denial of a license; refusal to renew or reinstate a license; imposition of probation; or issuance of an order of censure or other reprimand," as that clause is used in Section 4731.22(B)(22), Ohio Revised Code.

Furthermore, for any violations that occurred on or after September 29, 2015, the Board may impose a civil penalty in an amount that shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, pursuant to

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Section 4731.225, Ohio Revised Code. The civil penalty may be in addition to any other action the Board may take under section 4731.22, Ohio Revised Code.

Pursuant to Chapter 119., Ohio Revised Code, you are hereby advised that you are entitled to a hearing in this matter. If you wish to request such hearing, the request must be made in writing and must be received in the offices of the State Medical Board within thirty days of the time of service of this notice.

You are further advised that, if you timely request a hearing, you are entitled to appear at such hearing in person, or by your attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before this agency, or you may present your position, arguments, or contentions in writing, and that at the hearing you may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for or against you.

In the event that there is no request for such hearing received within thirty days of the time of service of this notice, the State Medical Board may, in your absence and upon consideration of this matter, determine whether or not to limit, revoke, permanently revoke or suspend your license or certificate, or refuse to grant or register or issue the license or certificate for which you have a pending application in accordance with Section 9.79 of the Ohio Revised Code, or refuse to renew or reinstate your license or certificate to practice medicine and surgery, or to reprimand you or place you on probation.

Please note that, whether or not you request a hearing, Section 4731.22(L), Ohio Revised Code, provides that "[w]hen the board refuses to grant or issue a license or certificate to practice to an applicant, revokes an individual's license or certificate to practice, refuses to renew an individual's license or certificate to practice, or refuses to reinstate an individual's license or certificate to practice, the board may specify that its action is permanent. An individual subject to a permanent action taken by the board is forever thereafter ineligible to hold a license or certificate to practice and the board shall not accept an application for reinstatement of the license or certificate or for issuance of a new license or certificate."

Copies of the applicable sections are enclosed for your information.

THE STATE MEDICAL BOARD OF OHIO



Kim G. Rothermel, M.D.  
Secretary

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Enclosures

