BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

In the Matter of

JORDAN D. BEVANS, M.D.,

Holder of License No. 60338 For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine In the State of Arizona. Case No. 24A-60338-MDX

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER

On October 9, 2024, this matter came before the Arizona Medical Board for consideration of Administrative Law Judge's ("ALJ") proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Order with regard to Respondent Jordan D. Bevans, M.D.

The Board, having considered the ALJ's Decision and the entire record in this matter, hereby issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Arizona Medical Board (Board) is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Jordan D. Bevans, M.D., (Respondent) is the holder of License No. 60338 for the practice of allopathic medicine in Arizona.
- 3. On July 16, 2024, the Board issued a Complaint and Notice of Hearing to Respondent alleging Respondent had engaged in unprofessional conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(e), (f), (g), (r), and (s).
- 4. A copy of the Complaint and Notice of Hearing was e-mailed, sent via Certified mail and regular mail to Respondent at his addresses of record.
- 5. The hearing was held at the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) on August 27, 2024. Respondent did not request to appear telephonically at the duly noticed hearing and did not request that the hearing be continued. Further, in a July 16, 2024 e-

mail to the Board, Respondent stated, "I agree with what was stated and I want to forfeit my license I am not interested in having (sic) a hearing...". Consequently, Respondent did not present any evidence to defend his license.

- 6. The Board presented the testimony Erinn Downey, Manager of the Physician Health Program for the Board.
 - 7. Ms. Downey testified as to the following:
- a. On November 18, 2021, Respondent was practicing as an anesthesiologist at a surgery center in Arizona. While on duty as an anesthesiologist at a surgery center on November 18, 2021, Respondent failed to accurately account for all of the Demerol and Fentanyl he removed under the names of patients. Surgery center staff noted signs and symptoms of impairment. Respondent admitted to diverting Demerol and Fentanyl from patients for his personal use.² On November 19, 2021, Respondent self-reported to the Board that he had been struggling with addiction and had a recent incident at the surgery center.³
- b. On or about November 30, 2021, the Board received a Notification of Refrainment from Banner Surgery Centers, in which it informed the Board that Respondent had been asked to voluntarily refrain from practice while under investigation.⁴
- c. In December 2021 and January 2022, Respondent participated in inpatient treatment. Following completion of inpatient treatment, Respondent was assessed as being safe to practice as long as he fully participated and complied with the evaluator's recommendations, including a 5-year professional monitoring program with drug testing and ongoing support group meetings and individual therapy.⁵

¹ Board Exhibit 14.

^{24 2} See Board Exhibit 3.

³ See Board Exhibit 1.

⁴ See Board Exhibit 2.

⁵ See Board Exhibit 4.

¹⁰ See Board Exhibit 8.

⁶ See Board Exhibit 5.

⁷ See Board Exhibit 6⁸ See Board Exhibit 7.

9 See id.

See Board Exhibit 9.See Board Exhibit 10.

d. Effective February 16, 2022, Respondent entered into an Interim Consent Agreement ("ICA") for participation in the Board's Physician Health Program The ICA required that Respondent not take any illegal drugs or mood altering medications unless prescribed for a legitimate therapeutic purpose.⁶

- e. On October 17 and October 19, 2022, Respondent tested positive for Marijuana use in violation of the ICA.⁷ In a report dated October 24, 2022, the Monitor informed the Board that Respondent had tested positive for marijuana metabolites. Respondent admitted consuming an edible cannabis product.⁸ The Monitor opined that Respondent should complete an intensive outpatient treatment program (IOP) and other recommendations for aftercare.⁹
- f. On November 11, 2022, Respondent again tested positive for Marijuana use.¹⁰ By email dated November 22, 2022, Respondent informed the Monitor that he would not be participating in IOP.¹¹ However, Respondent subsequently enrolled in IOP on November 29, 2022.
- g. On January 6, 2022, the treatment provider provided a progress note to the Board, which had recommended care after discharge. 12
- h. On February 24, 2023, the treatment provider notified the Monitor that Respondent had not been participating in aftercare, which is a violation of the ICA.¹³
- i. On April 7, 2023, after Respondent had failed to respond to two testing requests, the Monitor notified Board staff that Respondent had stopped checking in for drug testing, which is a violation of the ICA.¹⁴

¹⁵ See Board Exhibit 12.

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- (s) Violating a formal order, probation, consent agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its executive director under this chapter.
- 5. The weight of the evidence presented established by clear and convincing evidence that violated the above statutes.

ORDER

Based on the foregoing, **IT IS ORDERED** that the Board revokes License No. 60338 issued to Jordan D. Bevans, MD.

RIGHT TO PETITION FOR REHEARING OR REVIEW

Respondent is hereby notified that he has the right to petition for a rehearing or review. The petition for rehearing or review must be filed with the Board's Executive Director within thirty (30) days after service of this Order. A.R.S. § 41-1092.09(B). The petition for rehearing or review must set forth legally sufficient reasons for granting a rehearing or review. A.A.C. R4-16-103. Service of this order is effective five (5) days after date of mailing. A.R.S. § 41-1092.09(C). If a petition for rehearing or review is not filed, the Board's Order becomes effective thirty-five (35) days after it is mailed to Respondent.

Respondent is further notified that the filing of a motion for rehearing or review is required to preserve any rights of appeal to the Superior Court.

DATED this 10th day of October, 2024.

THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

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