



DECISION 4

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ALLEGATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MISCONDUCT

- Contravened a standard of practice or failed to maintain the standards of practice (para. 1)
- Failed to keep records as required by the regulations (para. 25)
- Unprofessional conduct (para. 59)

BRIEF SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

- The member contravened the profession's standard of practice with respect to prescribing excessive quantities of narcotic pain medication for one patient who was a relative and prescribing other medications with no charted rationale for three other patients. These actions were considered by the panel to be unprofessional conduct.
- He failed to keep adequate records as required by the regulations regarding various patients and office drug supplies.

DECISION**1. Finding**

The member pleaded guilty and was found guilty with respect to the above allegations of professional misconduct.

2. Penalty

- Reprimand
- Suspension of certificate of registration for two months (June 11, 2017 – August 10, 2017)
- Course in recordkeeping
- Course in prescribing practices, including management of dental pain and appropriate use of narcotics
- Course in professional ethics
- Practice to be monitored for 24 months following completion of courses

3. Costs/Publication

- Costs awarded to College in the amount \$15,000
- Member to pay monitoring costs
- Pursuant to the legislation, publication of this matter includes the member's name and address

PANEL'S REASONING

- The penalty was a joint submission reached as a result of a prehearing conference. These standards are meant for public protection and when they are not adhered to, patients and the public are subjected to significant risk. However, the panel was satisfied that the penalty would adequately protect the public.
- The panel was satisfied that the reprimand and suspension were warranted in this situation due to the member's failure to abide by standards of practice, including those set out in the regulations of the Drug and Pharmacy Act.
- The costs ordered and the time away from his practice will act as specific deterrents to the member and a general deterrent to the whole profession. The courses will help remediate the member and the practice monitoring will protect the public.
- The panel considered the following as mitigating factors: the member's high level of educational training, sense of remorse and cooperation throughout the hearing as well as the fact that this is the member's first time before the Discipline Committee.