

BEFORE THE  
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

In The Matter of:

**EDWARD SUAREZ, M.D.**  
**(Certificate No. 06172R),**

*Respondent*

NO. 93-I-078

**CONSENT ORDER**

The above-entitled proceeding was docketed for investigation by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") following receipt of information indicating that Edward Suarez, M.D. ("Dr. Suarez"), entered into a Consent Agreement with the Department of Professional Regulation, Board of Medicine, for the state of Florida ("Florida Board").<sup>1</sup> A photocopy of such Consent Agreement and of the Final Order dated June 5, 1993, are incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit "A," *in globo*.

The Consent Agreement culminated an investigation and Administrative Complaint lodged by the DPR against Dr. Suarez which asserted that Dr. Suarez prescribed and/or dispensed Dilaudid, a Schedule II controlled substance, inappropriately and in excessive or inappropriate quantities to a single patient; that he failed to keep adequate medical records justifying the course of his treatment; that he failed to determine a more definitive diagnosis for the patient's condition or to seek consultation with respect thereto; and that he failed to practice medicine with that level of care and skill acceptable under similar conditions and circumstances.<sup>2</sup>

The Consent Agreement imposed specified probationary terms and conditions on Dr. Suarez's Florida medical license for a period of two (2) years and mandates that the physician utilize triplicate prescriptions for any future prescriptions for Schedule II controlled substances; moreover, Dr. Suarez must practice under the "indirect supervision" of a Board approved physician monitor who is charged with the responsibility to review specified patient charts and report to the Florida Board both in writing and in person; Respondent is also required to submit semiannual reports in affidavit form to the Board, supplying specified information; complete a specified course in the prescribing of abusable drugs; provide one hundred (100) hours of approved, gratuitous community service within the first year of his probationary period and complete one hundred twenty (120) hours of Continuing Medical Education credits.

<sup>1</sup> *Dept. of Professional Regulation vs. Edward Suarez, M.D.*, DPR Case No. 89-0480, DOAH Case No. 92-0230, Apr. 19, 1993. Such Consent Agreement was approved and adopted by the Florida Board of Medicine pursuant to Final Order dated June 5, 1993.

<sup>2</sup> *Administrative Complaint, Department of Professional Regulation vs. Edward Suarez, M.D.*, DPR Case No. 89-000480, Nov. 28, 1990, before the Florida Board of Medicine.

Although Dr. Suarez currently resides and practices medicine exclusively in the state of Florida, he remains licensed to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana. Pursuant to his 1993 application for renewal of his Louisiana medical license, Dr. Suarez affirmatively answered Question 14, which reads: "Were you the subject of any type of disciplinary action or inquiry by any licensing authority, institution, society, etc.?"<sup>3</sup>

Nevertheless, at no time prior to November, 1992 did Dr. Suarez apprise the Board of Florida's disciplinary inquiry or that an Administrative Complaint had been lodged with the Florida Board on November 28, 1990. More specifically, in responding to Question No. 15 on his 1992 application for the renewal of his Louisiana medical licensure, Respondent was asked: "Were you the subject of any type of disciplinary action or inquiry by any licensing authority, institution, society, etc.?" Respondent's answer to such question was "No".<sup>4</sup>

The captioned matter was assigned to the Investigating Officer of the Board who has, following a review and analysis of the Florida Board's Order and Dr. Suarez's applications for renewal, confirmed to his satisfaction that just cause exists for recommending that a formal Administrative Complaint be filed against Dr. Suarez, pursuant to the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, LSA-R.S. §37:1261 et seq., charging Dr. Suarez with specified violations of the Louisiana Medical Practice Act, LSA-R.S. §37:1285.<sup>5</sup>

The Board is persuaded, however, that Dr. Suarez's continued maintenance of his capacity to engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana is warranted, provided, however, that Dr. Suarez strictly observes and complies with appropriate restrictions on and conditions to maintenance of his medical licensure in this state. In consideration of this finding, accordingly, and on the recommendation of the Investigating Officer, the Board has concluded that its responsibility to insure the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state against the unprofessional, unqualified and unsafe practice of medicine, LSA-R.S. §37:1261 et seq., will be effectively served by entry of the Order set forth hereinafter by consent.

As evidenced by subscription hereto, Dr. Suarez acknowledges the substantial accuracy of the foregoing information, and that such information would constitute probable cause for institution of Administrative Proceedings against his medical licensure, pursuant to Administrative Complaint, and that proof of such information upon administrative evidentiary hearing would establish grounds under the Louisiana Medical Practice Act for the suspension or revocation of his license to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, or for such other action as the Board might deem appropriate, pursuant to LSA-R.S. §37:1285A(3) and (29).

Dr. Suarez, recognizing his right to have notice of the allegations and charges asserted against him, to administrative adjudication of such charges, pursuant to LSA-R.S. §§49:955-58, and to a final decision rendered upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, nonetheless, hereby waives his right to notice of charges and formal adjudication and, pursuant to LSA-R.S. §49:955D consents to entry of the Order set forth hereinafter. By his subscription hereto, Dr. Suarez also hereby authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto, together with his legal counsel, to present this Consent Order to the Board for its

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<sup>3</sup> Application of Edward Suarez, M.D. for License/Certificate Renewal, signed and dated by Dr. Suarez on Nov. 23, 1992.

<sup>4</sup> Application of Edward Suarez, M.D. for License/Certificate Renewal, signed and dated by Dr. Suarez on Nov. 18, 1991.

<sup>5</sup> LSA-R.S. §37:1285A(3) and (29).

consideration and to fully disclose to and discuss with the Board the nature and results of the investigation, and he waves any objection to such disclosures under LSA-R.S. §49:960. Dr. Suarez expressly acknowledges that the disclosure of information to the Board by the Investigating Officer and/or his legal counsel shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to file a formal Administrative Complaint against him or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such Complaint, should the Board decline to approve this Consent Order.

Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing, and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by LSA-R.S. §37:1285 and LSA-R.S. §49:955D;

**IT IS ORDERED** that the license of Edward Suarez, M.D., to engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. 06172R, be, and the same is hereby, effective as of the date hereof, placed on **PROBATION** for a period of five (5) years and Dr. Suarez's continuing exercise of the rights and privileges thereunder, shall be subject to his acceptance of and strict compliance with the following terms, conditions and restrictions:


- a) *Strict Adherence to the Terms and Conditions of the Florida Board's Consent Order.* Dr. Suarez shall strictly adhere to, abide by and comply with all of the terms, conditions and restrictions imposed upon his Florida medical licensure by the Consent Agreement which was approved by the Florida Board of Medicine.
- b) *Satisfaction of the Florida Board's Consent Agreement and the Five (5) Year Probationary Period Imposed Herein as Prerequisites to Relocating to Louisiana.* As prerequisites to relocating to the state of Louisiana for the purpose of engaging in the practice of medicine, Dr. Suarez shall first have fully complied with, satisfied and completed each of the terms, conditions and restrictions, imposed upon his Florida medical licensure by the Florida Board. Moreover, as a result of his failure to inform the Board of the Florida Board's investigation on his 1992 application for renewal of his Louisiana medical licensure, Dr. Suarez shall have no right, entitlement or authority to engage in the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana throughout the duration of the five (5) year probationary period imposed hereinabove.
- c) *Notice of Relocation to Louisiana/Additional Probationary Terms and Conditions.* Should Dr. Suarez at any time after satisfactorily complying with Paragraphs "A" and "B" hereinabove, as well as the expiration of the five (5) year probationary period ordered herein, decide to relocate his practice of medicine to the state of Louisiana, he shall, in that instance, provide written notification to the Board at least sixty (60) days prior to his relocation to the state of Louisiana. Dr. Suarez shall also personally appear before the Board, or its designee, prior to the time that he may commence the practice of medicine in the state of Louisiana, to provide the Board with an opportunity to assess his compliance with the Florida Board's Order and this Order and to discuss his intended plans for the practice of medicine in this state. In such event, and in addition to such other terms and conditions as are placed upon his Louisiana licensure by this Order, Dr. Suarez hereby consents to, agrees with and acquiesces in the imposition of any additional probationary terms, conditions or restrictions, as well as the length and tenure thereof which, in the sole discretion of the Board, may be imposed upon his Louisiana licensure in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this state.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms, conditions or restrictions set forth by the Consent Agreement which Dr. Suarez entered into with the Florida Board or by this Order by Dr. Suarez shall, upon proof of such violation or failure, be deemed adequate and sufficient cause for the revocation and cancellation of the medical license of Edward Suarez, M.D., to practice medicine in the state of Louisiana, or for such other disciplinary action as the Board deems appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in LSA-R.S. §37:1285.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that this Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.


New Orleans, Louisiana, this 2nd day of December, 1993.

**LOUISIANA STATE BOARD  
OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

BY:   
BERNARD L. KAPLAN, M.D.  
PRESIDENT

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND CONSENT

I, Edward Suarez, M.D., hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above and foregoing Order, this 11 day of November, 1993.

  
EDWARD SUAREZ, M.D.

  
WITNESS

STATE OF FLORIDA  
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL  
REGULATION,

Petitioner,

v.

DOAH CASE NO. 92-0230  
DPR CASE NO. 89-0480

EDWARD SUAREZ, M.D.,

Respondent.

CONSENT AGREEMENT

Edward Suarez, referred to as the "Respondent", and the Department of Professional Regulation, referred to as "Department", stipulate and agree to the following Agreement and to the entry of a Final Order of the Board of Medicine, referred to as "Board", incorporating the Stipulated Facts and Stipulated Disposition in this matter.

STIPULATED FACTS

1. At all times material hereto, Respondent was a licensed physician in the State of Florida having been issued license number ME 0041743.

2. Respondent was charged by an Administrative Complaint filed by the Department and properly served upon Respondent with violations of Chapter 458, Florida Statutes, and the rules enacted pursuant thereto. A true and correct copy of the Administrative Complaint is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

EXHIBIT

"A" in globo

3. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations of fact contained in the Administrative Complaint.

STIPULATED CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Respondent admits that, in his capacity as a licensed physician, he is subject to the provisions of Chapters 455 and 458, Florida Statutes, and the jurisdiction of the Department and the Board.

2. Respondent admits that the facts set forth in the Administrative Complaint, if proven, would constitute violations of Chapter 458, Florida Statutes, as alleged in the Administrative Complaint.

STIPULATED DISPOSITION

1. FUTURE CONDUCT. Respondent shall not in the future violate Chapters 455, 458 and 893, Florida Statutes, or the rules promulgated pursuant thereto.

2. FINE. The Board shall impose an administrative fine in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) against the Respondent. The fine shall be paid by the Respondent to the Board of Medicine within twelve months of its imposition by Final Order of the Board.

3. REPRIMAND. The Respondent shall receive a reprimand from the Board of Medicine

4. PROBATION. Effective on the date of the filing of the Final Order incorporating the terms of this Agreement, Respondent's license to practice medicine shall be placed on probation for a period of two (2) years. The purpose of probation is not to

prevent the Respondent from practicing medicine. Rather, probation is a supervised educational experience designed by the Board to make the Respondent aware of certain obligations to his patients and the profession and to insure Respondent's continued compliance with the high standards of the profession through interaction with another physician in the appropriate field of expertise. To this end, during the period of probation, Respondent shall comply with the following obligations and requirements:

A. RESTRICTIONS DURING PROBATION. During the period of probation, Respondent's license shall be restricted as follows:

i. INDIRECT SUPERVISION. Respondent shall practice only under the indirect supervision of a Board-approved physician, hereinafter referred to as the "monitor". In this regard, Respondent shall allow the monitor access to Respondent's medical records, calendar, patient logs or other documents necessary for the monitor to supervise Respondent as detailed below.

ii. Respondent may prescribe Schedule II controlled substances only in compliance with the restrictions set forth below:

a. Respondent shall utilize sequentially numbered triplicate prescriptions.

b. Respondent shall immediately provide one copy of each prescription to the monitor.

c. Respondent shall provide one copy of each prescription to the Department's investigator within one month

after issuing said prescription.

B. OBLIGATIONS/REQUIREMENTS OF PROBATION. During the period of probation, Respondent shall comply with the following obligations and requirements:

i. Respondent shall appear before the Probation Committee of the Board of Medicine at the first Committee meeting after probation commences; at the last meeting of the Committee preceding scheduled termination of the probation; semiannually; and at such other times as requested by the Committee. Respondent shall be noticed by the Board staff of the date, time and place of the Committee meeting whereat Respondent's appearance is required. Failure of Respondent to appear as requested or directed shall be considered a violation of the terms of this Agreement, and shall subject the Respondent to disciplinary action.

ii. Respondent shall complete, within the two (2) years of probation, the course, "Protecting Your Medical Practice, Clinical, Legal and Ethical Issues in Prescribing Abusable Drugs", sponsored by the Florida Medical Association and the University of South Florida, or a Board-approved equivalent.

iii. Respondent shall complete one hundred (100) hours of community service within one year of a final order by the Board. Community service shall consist of the delivery of medical services directly to patients, without fee or cost to the patient, for the good of the people of the State of Florida. Such community service shall be performed at a county health facility or a location approved by the Probation Committee. Respondent shall



submit a written plan for performance and completion of the community service to the Probation Committee for approval prior to performance of said community service. Affidavits detailing the completion of community service requirements shall be filed with the Board semiannually.

iv. Respondent shall complete 120 hours of Category I Continuing Medical Education courses, 40 hours shall be in the area of general medicine, 40 hours shall be in the area of psychiatry, 15 hours shall be in the area of risk management, and 25 hours of other Category I Continuing Medical Education courses of the Respondent's choice. These hours shall be in addition to those hours required for licensure renewal.

v. Respondent shall be responsible for ensuring that the monitor submits all required reports.

C. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MONITORING PHYSICIAN.

The Monitor shall:

i. Review twenty five percent (25%) of Respondent's active patient records at least once a month, for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the standard of care regarding the prescription of Schedule II drugs. The monitor shall go to Respondent's office once every month and shall review Respondent's calendar or patient log and shall select the records to be reviewed.

ii. Review one hundred percent (100%) of the medical records of Respondent's patients who receive prescriptions for neuropsychiatric, for the purpose of ascertaining compliance

with the standard of care and the appropriateness of the prescriptions of neuropsychiatric drugs.

iii. Submit reports on a semiannual basis, in affidavit form, which shall include:

a) A brief statement of why Respondent is on probation.

b) A description of Respondent's practice (type and composition).

c) A statement addressing Respondent's compliance with the terms of probation.

d) A brief description of the monitor's relationship with the Respondent.

e) A statement advising the Board of any problems which have arisen.

f) A summary of the dates the monitor went to Respondent's office, the number of records reviewed, and the overall quality of the records reviewed.

iv. Maintain contact with the Respondent on a frequency of at least once per month. In the event that the monitor is not timely contacted by Respondent, then the monitor shall immediately report this fact to the Board, in writing.

v. Respondent's monitor shall appear before the Probation Committee at the first meeting of said committee following commencement of the probation, and at such other times as directed by the Committee. It shall be Respondent's responsibility to ensure the appearance of his monitor to appear as requested or

directed. If the approved monitor fails to appear as requested or directed by the Probation Committee, the Respondent shall immediately cease practicing medicine until such time as the approved monitor, or alternate monitor appears before the Probation Committee.

D. REPORTS FROM RESPONDENT. The Respondent shall submit semiannual reports, in affidavit form, the contents of which may be further specified by the Board, but which shall include:

i. A brief statement of why Respondent is on probation.

ii. A description of practice location.

iii. A description of current practice (type and composition).

iv. A brief statement of compliance with probationary terms.

vi. A description of the relationship with monitoring physician.

vii. A statement advising the Board of any problems which have arisen.

viii. A statement addressing compliance with any restrictions or requirements imposed.

E. STANDARD PROVISIONS. Respondent's probation shall be governed by the attached "provisions regarding monitoring/supervising physicians", Exhibit B, which is incorporated as if fully set forth herein.

6. It is expressly understood that this Agreement is subject to the approval of the Board and the Department. In this regard, the foregoing paragraphs (and only the foregoing paragraphs) shall have no force and effect unless a Final Order incorporating the terms of this Agreement is entered by the Board.

7. Respondent shall appear before the Board at the meeting of the Board where this Agreement is considered. Respondent, in conjunction with the consideration of this Agreement by the Board, shall respond to questions under oath from the Board, Board Staff or Department Staff.

8. Should this Agreement be rejected, no statement made in furtherance of this Agreement by the Respondent may be used as direct evidence against the Respondent in any proceeding; however, such statements may be used by the Petitioner for impeachment purposes.

9. Respondent and the Department fully understand that this joint Agreement and subsequent Final Order incorporating same will in no way preclude additional proceedings by the Board and/or the Department against the Respondent for acts or omissions not specifically set forth in the Administrative Complaint attached as Exhibit "A" herein.

10. Upon the Board's adoption of this Agreement, Respondent expressly waives all further procedural steps, and expressly waives all rights to seek judicial review of or to otherwise challenge or contest the validity of the Agreement and the Final Order of the

Board incorporating said Agreement.

11. Upon the Board's adoption of this Agreement, the parties hereby agree that each party will bear his own attorney's fees and costs resulting from prosecution or defense of this matter. Respondent waives the right to seek any attorney's fees or costs from the Department in connection with this matter.

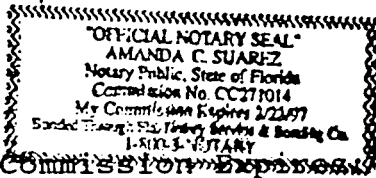
12. This Agreement is executed by the Respondent for the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause. In this regard, Respondent authorizes the Board to review and examine all investigative file materials concerning Respondent prior to, or in conjunction with, consideration of the Agreement. Furthermore, should this joint Agreement not be accepted by the Board, it is agreed that presentation to and consideration of this Agreement and other documents and matters by the Board shall not unfairly or illegally prejudice the Board or any of its members from further participation, consideration or resolution of these proceedings.

SIGNED this 19 day of April, 1993.

Edward Suarez  
Edward Suarez, M.D.

Before me, personally appeared EDWARD SUAREZ, M.D.  
whose identity is known to me by FLORIDA I.D.  
(type of identification) and who, under oath, acknowledges that  
his/her signature appears above.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 19 day  
of April, 1993.



My

Commission Expires

Amanda C. Suarez  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Amanda C. Suarez, Notary Public ID#539587  
STATE OF FLORIDA  
my commission expires 3/23/97  
Commission #271014

APPROVED this 28 day of April, 1993.

George Stuart  
Secretary

Larry G. McPherson, Jr.  
By: Larry G. McPherson, Jr.  
Chief Attorney  
Medical Section

## PROVISIONS REGARDING MONITORING/SUPERVISING PHYSICIANS

Provisions governing physicians ordered to work under supervision of monitoring or supervising physician.

### I. DEFINITIONS:

A. INDIRECT SUPERVISION is supervision by a monitoring physician (monitor) whose responsibilities are set by the Board. Indirect supervision does not require that the monitor practice on the same premises as the Respondent, however, the monitor shall practice within a reasonable geographic proximity to Respondent, which shall be within 20 miles unless otherwise provided by the Board and shall be readily available for consultation. The monitor shall be Board-certified in the Respondent's specialty area, unless otherwise provided by the Board.

B. DIRECT SUPERVISION is supervision by a supervising physician (supervisor) whose responsibilities are set by the Board. Direct supervision requires that the supervisor and Respondent work in the same office. The supervising physician shall be board-certified in the Respondent's specialty area, unless otherwise provided by the Board.

C. PROBATION COMMITTEE or "committee" are members of the Board of Medicine designated by the Chairman of the Board to serve as the Probation Committee.

### II. STANDARD TERMS.

#### A. REQUIRED SUPERVISION.

1. The Respondent shall not practice medicine

without an approved monitor as specified by the Consent Agreement, unless otherwise ordered by the Board.

2. The monitor must be a licensee under Chapter 458, Florida Statutes, in good standing and without restriction or limitation on his license. In addition, the Board or Committee may reject any proposed monitor on the basis that he has previously been subject to any disciplinary action against his medical license in this or any other jurisdiction, is currently under investigation, or is the subject of a pending disciplinary action. The monitor must be actively engaged in the same or similar specialty area unless otherwise provided by the Board or Committee. The Board or Committee may also reject any proposed monitor for good cause shown.

B. MECHANISM FOR APPROVAL OF MONITOR/SUPERVISOR:

1. TEMPORARY APPROVAL. The Board confers authority on the Chairman of the Board's Probation Committee to temporarily approve Respondent's monitor. To obtain this temporary approval, Respondent shall submit to the Chairman of the Probation Committee the name and curriculum vitae of the proposed monitor at the time this agreement is considered by the Board. Once a Final Order adopting this Agreement is filed, Respondent shall not practice medicine without an approved monitor. Temporary approval shall only remain in effect until the next meeting of the Probation Committee.



2. FORMAL APPROVAL.

a. Respondent shall have the monitor/supervisor with him at his first probation appearance before the Probation Committee. Prior to consideration of the monitor by the Committee, the Respondent shall provide to the monitor a copy of the Administrative Complaint and Final Order in this case. Respondent shall submit a current curriculum vitae and a description of current practice from the proposed monitor to the Board office no later than fourteen days before the Respondent's first scheduled probation appearance.

b. Respondent's monitor shall also appear before the Probation Committee at such other times as directed by the Committee. It shall be Respondent's responsibility to ensure the appearance of his monitor as directed. If the approved monitor fails to appear as requested or directed by the Probation Committee, the Respondent shall immediately cease practicing medicine until such time as the approved monitor or alternate monitor appears before the Probation Committee.

3. CHANGE IN MONITOR. In the event that Respondent's monitor is unable or unwilling to fulfill his responsibilities as a monitor as described above, then the Respondent shall immediately advise the Board of this fact. Respondent shall immediately submit to the Chairman of the Board's Probation Committee, the name of a temporary monitor for consideration. Respondent shall not practice pending approval of this temporary monitor by the Chairman of the Probation Committee.

Furthermore, Respondent shall make arrangements with his temporary monitor to appear before the Probation Committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting, for consideration of the monitor by the Committee. Respondent shall only practice under the auspices of the temporary monitor (approved by the Chairman) until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Probation Committee, whereat the issue of the Committee's approval of the Respondent's new monitor shall be addressed.

C. CONTINUITY OF PRACTICE

1. TOLLING PROVISIONS. In the event the Respondent leaves the State of Florida for a period of thirty days or more or otherwise does not engage in the active practice of medicine in the State of Florida, then certain provisions of Respondent's probation (and only those provisions of the probation) shall be tolled as enumerated below and shall remain in a tolled status until Respondent returns to active practice in the State of Florida.

a. The time period of probation shall be tolled.

b. The provisions regarding supervision, whether direct or indirect, by another physician, and required reports from the monitor, shall be tolled.

c. The provisions regarding preparation of investigative reports detailing compliance with this Stipulation shall be tolled.

d. The provisions regarding appearances before the Probationer's Committee shall be tolled.

2. ADDRESSES. Respondent must keep current residence and business addresses on file with the Board. Respondent shall notify the Board within ten (10) days of any changes of said addresses. Furthermore, Respondent shall notify the Board within ten (10) days in the event that Respondent leaves the active practice of medicine in Florida.

3. ACTIVE PRACTICE. In the event that Respondent leaves the active practice of medicine for a period of one year or more, the Probation Committee may require Respondent to appear before the Probation Committee and demonstrate his ability to practice medicine with skill and safety to patients prior to resuming the practice of medicine in this State.

D. COSTS. Respondent shall pay all costs necessary to comply with the terms of this Consent Agreement. Such costs include, but are not limited to, the costs of preparation of Investigative Reports detailing compliance with the terms of the Consent Agreement, and the Board's administrative costs directly associated with Respondent's probation.

E. BOARD ADDRESS. Unless otherwise directed by the Board office, all reports, correspondence and inquiries shall be sent to: Board of Medicine, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0792, Attn: Final Order Compliance Officer.

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Department of Professional Regulation

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DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
BOARD OF MEDICINE

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DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL  
REGULATION,

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LICENSE NUMBER: ME 0041743

EDWARD SUAREZ, M.D.,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER


THIS MATTER came before the Board of Medicine (Board) pursuant to Section 120.57(3), Florida Statutes, on June 5, 1993, in West Palm Beach, Florida, for consideration of a Consent Agreement (attached hereto as Exhibit A) entered into between the parties in the above-styled case. Upon consideration of the Consent Agreement, the documents submitted in support thereof, the arguments of the parties, and being otherwise advised in the premises,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Consent Agreement as submitted be and is hereby approved and adopted in toto and incorporated by reference herein. Accordingly, the parties shall adhere to and abide by all of the terms and conditions of the Consent Agreement.

This Final Order takes effect upon filing with the Clerk of the Department.

DONE AND ORDERED this 5<sup>th</sup> day June, 1993.

BOARD OF MEDICINE

  
EDWARD A. DAUER, M.D.  
VICE-CHAIRMAN

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been provided by certified U.S. Mail to Edward Suarez, M.D., 9000 S.W. 152nd Street #106, Miami, Florida 33157-1941, Alvin N. Weinstein, Esquire, 920 Biscayne Building, 19 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida 33130 and by interoffice delivery to Larry G. McPherson, Jr., Chief Medical Attorney, Department of Professional Regulation, Northwood Centre, 1940 North Monroe Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0792, at or before 5:00 P.M., this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1993.

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DOROTHY J. FAIRCLOTH  
Executive Director