

**BEFORE THE
MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

George Farid El-Khoury, M.D.

**Physician's & Surgeon's
Certificate No. A 40394**

Respondent.

Case No. 800-2020-070079

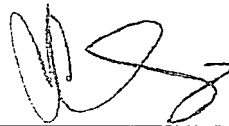
DECISION

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on June 03, 2024.

IT IS SO ORDERED: May 03, 2024.

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA



**Laurie Rose Lubiano, J.D., Chair
Panel A**

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11 In the Matter of the Accusation Against:
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14 **Long Beach, CA 90806**
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16 **Certificate No. A 40394,**
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**STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND
DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

17 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-
18 entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

19 **PARTIES**

20 1. Reji Varghese (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board of
21 California (Board). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this
22 matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Christina Sein Goot, Deputy
23 Attorney General.

24 2. Respondent George Farid El-Khoury, M.D. (Respondent) is represented in this
25 proceeding by attorney Raymond J. McMahon, whose address is: 5440 Trabuco Road
26 Irvine, CA 92620.

27 3. On or about August 29, 1983, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate
28 No. A 40394 to Respondent. The Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and

1 effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 800-2020-070079, and will
2 expire on July 31, 2025, unless renewed.

3 **JURISDICTION**

4 4. Accusation No. 800-2020-070079 was filed before the Board, and is currently
5 pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were
6 properly served on Respondent on August 14, 2023. Respondent timely filed his Notice of
7 Defense contesting the Accusation.

8 5. A copy of Accusation No. 800-2020-070079 is attached as Exhibit A and
9 incorporated herein by reference.

10 **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

11 6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the
12 charges and allegations in Accusation No. 800-2020-070079. Respondent has also carefully read,
13 fully discussed with his counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and
14 Disciplinary Order.

15 7. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a
16 hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine
17 the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right
18 to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of
19 documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other
20 rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.

21 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and
22 every right set forth above.

23 **CULPABILITY**

24 9. Respondent understands and agrees that the charges and allegations in Accusation
25 No. 800-2020-070079, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his
26 Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest those
27 charges and allegation.

28 10. Respondent does not contest that, at an administrative hearing, Complainant could

1 establish a prima facie case with respect to the charges and allegations contained in Accusation
2 No. 800-2020-070079 and that he has thereby subjected his license to disciplinary action.

3 11. Respondent agrees that his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate is subject to
4 discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order
5 below.

6 **CONTINGENCY**

7 12. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Medical Board of California.
8 Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Medical
9 Board of California may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and
10 settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the
11 stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek
12 to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails
13 to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary
14 Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal
15 action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having
16 considered this matter.

17 13. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties herein to
18 be an integrated writing representing the complete, final and exclusive embodiment of the
19 agreement of the parties in this above-entitled matter.

20 14. Respondent agrees that if he ever petitions for modification of these terms, or if a
21 subsequent accusation and/or petition to revoke probation is filed against him before the Board,
22 all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 800-2020-070079 shall be deemed
23 true, correct and fully admitted by Respondent for purposes of any such proceeding or any other
24 licensing proceeding involving Respondent in the State of California.

25 15. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile
26 copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile
27 signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.

28 16. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that

1 the Board may, without further notice or opportunity to be heard by the Respondent, issue and
2 enter the following Disciplinary Order:

3 **DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

4 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A 40394 issued
5 to Respondent George Farid El-Khoury, M.D. is publicly reprimanded pursuant to California
6 Business and Professions Code section 2227, subdivision (a)(4), and it is further ordered that
7 Respondent comply with the following attendant terms and conditions:

8 1. **PUBLIC REPRIMAND**

9 The Public Reprimand issued in connection with Accusation No. 800-2020-070079, against
10 Respondent George Farid El-Khoury, M.D., is as follows:

11 “During the period from 2019 through 2020, you failed to document an offer of naloxone
12 hydrochloride to Patients 1, 2, and 3 while prescribing opioid medications to them. Naloxone
13 hydrochloride is extremely effective at reversing opioid overdoses, and promotion of patient
14 awareness of its benefits enhances consumer safety.”

15 2. **MEDICAL RECORD KEEPING COURSE**

16 Within 60 calendar days of the effective date of this Decision, Respondent shall enroll in a
17 course in medical record keeping approved in advance by the Board or its designee. Respondent
18 shall provide the approved course provider with any information and documents that the approved
19 course provider may deem pertinent. Respondent shall participate in and successfully complete
20 the classroom component of the course not later than six (6) months after Respondent’s initial
21 enrollment. Respondent shall successfully complete any other component of the course within
22 one (1) year of enrollment. The medical record keeping course shall be at Respondent’s expense
23 and shall be in addition to the Continuing Medical Education (CME) requirements for renewal of
24 licensure.

25 A medical record keeping course taken after the acts that gave rise to the charges in the
26 Accusation, but prior to the effective date of the Decision may, in the sole discretion of the Board
27 or its designee, be accepted towards the fulfillment of this condition if the course would have
28 been approved by the Board or its designee had the course been taken after the effective date of

1 this Decision.

2 Respondent shall submit a certification of successful completion to the Board or its
3 designee not later than 15 calendar days after successfully completing the course, or not later than
4 15 calendar days after the effective date of the Decision, whichever is later.

5 Respondent's failure to enroll, participate in, or successfully complete the medical record
6 keeping course within the designated time period, unless the Board or its designee agrees in
7 writing to an extension of that time, shall constitute general unprofessional conduct and may
8 serve as grounds for further disciplinary action.

9 **3. INVESTIGATION/ENFORCEMENT COST RECOVERY**

10 Respondent is hereby ordered to reimburse the Board its costs of investigation and
11 enforcement, including, but not limited to, expert review, amended accusations, legal reviews,
12 investigation(s), and subpoena enforcement, as applicable, in the amount of \$24,678.00 (twenty-
13 four thousand six hundred seventy-eight dollars and zero cents). Costs shall be payable to the
14 Medical Board of California within one (1) year from the effective date of this Decision.

15 Any and all requests for a payment plan shall be submitted in writing by Respondent to the
16 Board. The filing of bankruptcy by Respondent shall not relieve Respondent of the
17 responsibility to repay investigation and enforcement costs.

18 **4. FAILURE TO COMPLY**

19 Failure to comply with any of the terms of this Disciplinary Order shall constitute
20 unprofessional conduct and shall be a basis for further disciplinary action by the Board. In such
21 circumstances, the Complainant may reinstate Accusation No. 800-2020-070079 and/or file a
22 supplemental accusation alleging any failure to comply with any provision of this order by
23 Respondent as unprofessional conduct.

24 **5. FUTURE ADMISSIONS CLAUSE**

25 If Respondent should ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for
26 reinstatement of a license, by any other health care licensing action agency in the State of
27 California, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 800-2020-070079 shall
28 be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of

1 Issues or any other proceeding seeking to deny or restrict license.

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3 ACCEPTANCE


4 I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully
5 discussed it with my attorney, Raymond J. McMahon. I understand the stipulation and the effect
6 it will have on my Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement
7 and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the
8 Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California.

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10 DATED: 3/1/24

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13 GEORGE FARID EL-KHOURY, M.D.
14 Respondent

15 I have read and fully discussed with Respondent George Farid El-Khoury, M.D. the terms
16 and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary
17 Order. I approve its form and content.

18 DATED: March 1, 2024

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21 RAYMOND J. MCMAHON
22 Attorney for Respondent

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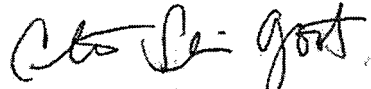
ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Medical Board of California.

DATED: 3/1/2024 _____

Respectfully submitted,

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20 the Executive Director of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs
21 (Board).

22 2. On or about August 29, 1983, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate
23 Number A 40394 to George Farid El-Khoury, M.D. (Respondent). The Physician's and Surgeon's
24 Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will
25 expire on July 31, 2025, unless renewed.

26 **JURISDICTION**

27 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board, under the authority of the following
28 laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise

1 indicated.

2 4. Section 2227 of the Code states:

3 (a) A licensee whose matter has been heard by an administrative law judge of
4 the Medical Quality Hearing Panel as designated in Section 11371 of the Government
5 Code, or whose default has been entered, and who is found guilty, or who has entered
6 into a stipulation for disciplinary action with the board, may, in accordance with the
7 provisions of this chapter:

8 (1) Have his or her license revoked upon order of the board.

9 (2) Have his or her right to practice suspended for a period not to exceed one
10 year upon order of the board.

11 (3) Be placed on probation and be required to pay the costs of probation
12 monitoring upon order of the board.

13 (4) Be publicly reprimanded by the board. The public reprimand may include a
14 requirement that the licensee complete relevant educational courses approved by the
15 board.

16 (5) Have any other action taken in relation to discipline as part of an order of
17 probation, as the board or an administrative law judge may deem proper.

18 (b) Any matter heard pursuant to subdivision (a), except for warning letters,
19 medical review or advisory conferences, professional competency examinations,
20 continuing education activities, and cost reimbursement associated therewith that are
21 agreed to with the board and successfully completed by the licensee, or other matters
22 made confidential or privileged by existing law, is deemed public, and shall be made
23 available to the public by the board pursuant to Section 803.1.

24 STATUTORY PROVISIONS

25 5. Section 2234 of the Code states:

26 The board shall take action against any licensee who is charged with
27 unprofessional conduct. In addition to other provisions of this article, unprofessional
28 conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

(a) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, assisting in or
abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate any provision of this chapter.

(b) Gross negligence.

(c) Repeated negligent acts. To be repeated, there must be two or more
negligent acts or omissions. An initial negligent act or omission followed by a
separate and distinct departure from the applicable standard of care shall constitute
repeated negligent acts.

(1) An initial negligent diagnosis followed by an act or omission medically
appropriate for that negligent diagnosis of the patient shall constitute a single
negligent act.

(2) When the standard of care requires a change in the diagnosis, act, or

1 omission that constitutes the negligent act described in paragraph (1), including, but
2 not limited to, a reevaluation of the diagnosis or a change in treatment, and the
licensee's conduct departs from the applicable standard of care, each departure
constitutes a separate and distinct breach of the standard of care.

3 (d) Incompetence.

4 (e) The commission of any act involving dishonesty or corruption that is
5 substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and
surgeon.

6 (f) Any action or conduct that would have warranted the denial of a certificate.

7 (g) The failure by a certificate holder, in the absence of good cause, to attend
8 and participate in an interview by the board. This subdivision shall only apply to a
certificate holder who is the subject of an investigation by the board.

9 6. Section 741 of the Code states:

10 (a) Notwithstanding any other law, when prescribing an opioid or
11 benzodiazepine medication to a patient, a prescriber shall do the following:

12 (1) Offer the patient a prescription for naloxone hydrochloride or another drug
13 approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the complete or
partial reversal of opioid-induced respiratory depression when one or more of the
following conditions are present:

14 (A) The prescription dosage for the patient is 90 or more morphine milligram
15 equivalents of an opioid medication per day.

16 (B) An opioid medication is prescribed within a year from the date a
prescription for benzodiazepine has been dispensed to the patient.

17 (C) The patient presents with an increased risk for opioid overdose, including
18 a patient with a history of opioid overdose, a patient with a history of opioid use
disorder, or a patient at risk for returning to a high dose of opioid medication to
19 which the patient is no longer tolerant.

20 (2) Consistent with the existing standard of care, provide education to the
patient on opioid overdose prevention and the use of naloxone hydrochloride or
21 another drug approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the
complete or partial reversal of opioid-induced respiratory depression.

22 (3) Consistent with the existing standard of care, provide education on opioid
23 overdose prevention and the use of naloxone hydrochloride or another drug approved
by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the complete or partial
24 reversal of opioid-induced respiratory depression to one or more persons designated
by the patient, or, for a patient who is a minor, to the minor's parent or guardian.

25 (b) A prescriber is not required to provide the education specified in paragraphs
26 (2) or (3) of subdivision (a) if the patient receiving the prescription declines the
education or has received the education within the past 24 months.

27 (c) This section does not apply to a prescriber under any of the following
28 circumstances:

1 (1) When prescribing to an inmate or a youth under the jurisdiction of the
2 Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation or the Division of Juvenile Justice
3 within the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

4 (2) When ordering medications to be administered to a patient while the patient
5 is in either an inpatient or outpatient setting.

6 (3) When prescribing medications to a patient who is terminally ill, as defined
7 in subdivision (c) of Section 11159.2 of the Health and Safety Code.

8 COST RECOVERY

9 7. Section 125.3 of the Code states:

10 (a) Except as otherwise provided by law, in any order issued in resolution of a
11 disciplinary proceeding before any board within the department or before the
12 Osteopathic Medical Board, upon request of the entity bringing the proceeding, the
13 administrative law judge may direct a licensee found to have committed a violation or
14 violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the
15 investigation and enforcement of the case.

16 (b) In the case of a disciplined licensee that is a corporation or a partnership, the
17 order may be made against the licensed corporate entity or licensed partnership.

18 (c) A certified copy of the actual costs, or a good faith estimate of costs where
19 actual costs are not available, signed by the entity bringing the proceeding or its
20 designated representative shall be prima facie evidence of reasonable costs of
21 investigation and prosecution of the case. The costs shall include the amount of
22 investigative and enforcement costs up to the date of the hearing, including, but not
23 limited to, charges imposed by the Attorney General.

24 (d) The administrative law judge shall make a proposed finding of the amount
25 of reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of the case when requested
26 pursuant to subdivision (a). The finding of the administrative law judge with regard to
27 costs shall not be reviewable by the board to increase the cost award. The board may
28 reduce or eliminate the cost award, or remand to the administrative law judge if the
proposed decision fails to make a finding on costs requested pursuant to subdivision
(a).

(e) If an order for recovery of costs is made and timely payment is not made as
directed in the board's decision, the board may enforce the order for repayment in any
appropriate court. This right of enforcement shall be in addition to any other rights
the board may have as to any licensee to pay costs.

(f) In any action for recovery of costs, proof of the board's decision shall be
conclusive proof of the validity of the order of payment and the terms for payment.

(g) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the board shall not renew or
reinstate the license of any licensee who has failed to pay all of the costs ordered
under this section.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the board may, in its discretion,
conditionally renew or reinstate for a maximum of one year the license of any
licensee who demonstrates financial hardship and who enters into a formal agreement
with the board to reimburse the board within that one-year period for the unpaid
costs.

1 (h) All costs recovered under this section shall be considered a reimbursement
2 for costs incurred and shall be deposited in the fund of the board recovering the costs
3 to be available upon appropriation by the Legislature.

4 (i) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from including the recovery of
5 the costs of investigation and enforcement of a case in any stipulated settlement.

6 (j) This section does not apply to any board if a specific statutory provision in
7 that board's licensing act provides for recovery of costs in an administrative
8 disciplinary proceeding.

9 FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

10 (Gross Negligence)

11 8. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under sections 2234, subdivision (b), and
12 741 of the Code for the commission of acts and/or omissions involving gross negligence in the
13 care and treatment of Patients 1¹ through 3, in that he failed to offer or prescribe the patients
14 naloxone hydrochloride² when prescribing them chronic opioids. The circumstances are as
15 follows:

16 9. For the time period of 2019-2020, Respondent treated Patient 1, a 66-year-old female,
17 for low back pain. During this time period, Respondent prescribed Patient 1 monthly refills of
18 oxycodone³-acetaminophen 7.5 mg-325 mg tablets (1 tablet, 3 times per day). During this same
19 time period, Patient 1 was also regularly prescribed lorazepam⁴ by her psychiatrist. Respondent
20 did not offer or prescribe Patient 1 naloxone hydrochloride (or another drug approved for reversal
21 of opioid-induced respiratory depression) when he prescribed her opioid medications despite
22 benzodiazepines having been dispensed to the patient within a year from the date of the patient's
23 prescriptions for such opioid medications.

24 10. For the time period of 2019-2020, Respondent treated Patient 2, a 57-year-old female,
25 for severe low back pain. During this time period, Respondent prescribed Patient 2 monthly
26 refills of hydrocodone-acetaminophen 7.5 mg-325 mg (1 tablet, 3 times per day). During this

27 ¹ Patients are identified by numbers to protect their privacy.

28 ² Naloxone hydrochloride is a medication designed to rapidly reverse an opioid overdose.

³ Oxycodone is an opioid analgesic used to help relieve moderate to severe pain.

⁴ Benzodiazepines are depressants that produce sedation and hypnosis, relieve anxiety and muscle spasms, and reduce seizures. Lorazepam is a benzodiazepine used to treat anxiety. Risks associated with use of benzodiazepines include: 1) tolerance and dependence, 2) potential interactions with alcohol and pain medications, and 3) possible impairment of driving. When benzodiazepines are combined with other CNS depressants such as alcoholic drinks and opioids, the potential for toxicity and fatal overdose increases.

1 same time period, Patient 2 was prescribed lorazepam by her psychiatrist. Respondent did not
2 offer or prescribe Patient 2 naloxone hydrochloride (or another drug approved for reversal of
3 opioid-induced respiratory depression) when he prescribed her opioid medications despite
4 benzodiazepines having been dispensed to the patient within a year from the date of the patient's
5 prescriptions for such opioid medications.

6 11. For the time period of 2019-2020, Respondent treated Patient 3, a 72-year-old male,
7 for severe low back pain and neck pain. During this time period, Respondent prescribed Patient 3
8 monthly refills of oxycodone-acetaminophen 10 mg-325 mg (1 tablet, 3 times per day). During
9 this same time period, Patient 3 was prescribed alprazolam⁵ by his psychiatrist. Respondent did
10 not offer or prescribe Patient 3 naloxone hydrochloride (or another drug approved for reversal of
11 opioid-induced respiratory depression) when he prescribed him opioid medications despite
12 benzodiazepines having been dispensed to the patient within a year from the date of the patient's
13 prescriptions for such opioid medications.

14 12. Respondent's failure to offer or prescribe naloxone hydrochloride when prescribing
15 opioid medications to Patients 1 through 3 constitutes an extreme departure from the standard of
16 care.

17 SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

18 (Repeated Negligent Acts)

19 13. Respondent's license is subject to disciplinary action under section 2234, subdivision
20 (c), of the Code in that he committed repeated negligent acts in his care and treatment of Patients
21 1 through 3, inclusive. The circumstances are as follows:

22 14. The allegations of the First Cause for Discipline are incorporated by reference as if
23 fully set forth herein.

24 15. The acts and/or omissions by Respondent set forth in the First Cause for Discipline
25 with respect to Patients 1 through 3, inclusive, either collectively or in any combination thereof,
26 constitute repeated negligent acts.

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28 ⁵ Alprazolam is a benzodiazepine used to treat anxiety.

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PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision:

1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number A 40394, issued to George Farid El-Khoury, M.D.;

2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of George Farid El-Khoury, M.D.'s authority to supervise physician assistants and advanced practice nurses;

3. Ordering George Farid El-Khoury, M.D., to pay the Board the costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, and if placed on probation, the costs of probation monitoring;

4. Ordering Respondent George Farid El-Khoury, M.D., if placed on probation, to provide patient notification in accordance with Business and Professions Code section 2228.1; and

5. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.

DATED: AUG 14 2023

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