## BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of Charges and

Complaint Against

NAVNEET N. SHARDA, M.D.,

Respondent

Respondent

Case No. 13-11856-1

HILED

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

### **COMPLAINT**

The Investigative Committee (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board), composed at the time of filing of Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., Chairman, Valerie J. Clark, BSN, RHU, LUTCF, Member, and Michael J. Fischer, M.D., Member, by and through Erin L. Albright, Esq., Deputy General Counsel and attorney for the IC, having a reasonable basis to believe that Navneet N. Sharda, M.D. (Respondent), violated the provisions of Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 630 and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 630 (collectively, the Medical Practice Act), hereby issues its formal Complaint, stating the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed in active status (License No. 8200), and has been so licensed by the Board since June 10, 1997, pursuant to the provisions of the Medical Practice Act.
- 2. Patient A was a seventy-two (72)-year-old male with a history of prostate cancer and related complications at the time of the incident in question. His true identity is not disclosed in this Complaint to protect his identity, but his identity is disclosed in the Patient Designation served contemporaneously on Respondent with a copy of this Complaint.

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3. On or about March 1, 2007, Patient A developed Bowen's disease, a treatable
squamous cell carcinoma, of the perianal skin. Respondent documented the disease as invasive
anal canal carcinoma. Respondent treated the disease with Positron Emission Tomography (PET
scanning and Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT).
4. Patient A's medical records do not support a possible diagnosis of invasive ana
canal carcinoma.

### **COUNT I**

### (Medical Records Violation)

- 5. All of the allegations in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.
- 6. NRS 630.3062(1) provides that the failure to maintain timely, legible, accurate and complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of a patient is grounds for initiating discipline against a licensee.
- 7. As demonstrated by, but not limited to the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to maintain timely, legible, accurate and complete medical records relating to the diagnosis, treatment and care of Patient A.
- 8. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

### **COUNT II**

### (Malpractice)

- 9. All of the allegations in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated as if fully set forth herein.
- 10. NRS 630.301(4) provides that malpractice of a physician is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a licensee.
- 11. NAC 630.040 defines malpractice as the failure of a physician, in treating a patient, to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances.

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- 12. As demonstrated by, but not limited to the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when treating Patient A.
- 13. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

### WHEREFORE, the Investigative Committee prays:

- 1. That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against him and give him notice that he may file an answer to the Complaint herein as set forth in NRS 630.339(2) within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint;
- 2. That the Board set a time and place for a formal hearing after holding an Early Case Conference pursuant to NRS 630.339(3);
- 3. That the Board determine the sanctions it will impose if it finds Respondent violated the Medical Practice Act;
- 4. That the Board make, issue and serve on Respondent, in writing, its findings of fact, conclusions of law and order, which shall include the sanctions imposed; and
- 5. That the Board take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these premises.

DATED this day of May, 2013.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Erin L. Albright. Æsa

Deputy General Counsel

Attorney for the Investigative Committee

# OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners

## VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA	)	
COUNTY OF WASHOE	: ss. )	

Theodore B. Berndt, M.D., hereby deposes and states under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Nevada that he is the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners that authorized the foregoing Complaint against the Respondent herein; that he has read the foregoing Complaint; and that based upon information discovered during the course of the investigation into a complaint against Respondent, he believes the allegations and charges in the foregoing Complaint against Respondent are true, accurate and correct.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2013

Alesdere B. Berndt, M.D.

## OFFICE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

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### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that I am employed by Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners and that on 13th day of May 2013; I served a filed copy of the COMPLAINT, PATIENT DESIGNATION & FINGERPRINT INFORMATION, via USPS certified return receipt mail to the following:

> Navneet Sharda, M.D. 3509 E. Harmon Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89121

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2013.

Angelia L. Donohoe Legal Assistant