9600 Gateway Drive Reno, Nevada 89521

BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

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In the Matter of Charges and Complaint

Against:

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TAMMY LYNN HANKINS, PA-C,

Respondent.

Case No. 21-51633-1

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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

FIRST AMENDED COMPLAIN

The Investigative Committee¹ (IC) of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners (Board), by and through Aaron Bart Fricke, J.D., General Counsel and attorney for the IC, having a reasonable basis to believe that Tammy Lynn Hankins, PA-C, (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 First Amended Complaint, stating the IC's charges and allegations as follows:

RESPONDENT'S HISTORY OF CRIMINAL AND UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

1. On or about March 1, 2012, in the Superior Court of the State of Arizona, in and for the County of Mohave (Arizona Court), in Case No. CR-2012-00287, a Grand Jury indicted Respondent on five (5) criminal counts of violations of Arizona law, including COUNT 1: FRAUDULENT SCHEMES AND ARTIFICES, CLASS 2 FELONY; COUNT 2: OBTAIN OR PROCURE THE ADMINISTRATION OF A NARCOTIC DRUG BY FRAUD, CLASS 3 FELONY; COUNT 3: OBTAINING A DANGEROUS DRUG BY FRAUD, CLASS 3 FELONY; COUNT 4: ATTEMPTED OBTAINING A DANGEROUS DRUG BY FRAUD, CLASS 4 FELONY; COUNT 5: ATTEMPTED OBTAINING A DANGEROUS DRUG BY FRAUD, CLASS 4 FELONY.

¹ The Investigative Committee of the Nevada State Board of Medical Examiners, at the time this formal Complaint was authorized for filing, was composed of Board members Victor M. Muro, M.D., Chair, Ms. April Mastroluca and Weldon Havins, M.D., J.D.

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Arizona Case History

2. On or about November 28, 2012, the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants ("Arizona Board"), in Case No. PA-11-0127A, found Respondent, who had been the holder of a license to practice medicine as a physician assistant in the State of Arizona (License No. 2228), guilty of unprofessional conduct. Specifically, the Arizona Board had received information from a pharmacist alleging that Respondent had been recklessly writing prescriptions without supervision, writing abnormally large quantities of controlled drugs, and writing outside her scope of practice. Further, Respondent's supervising physician (SP) had terminated the supervision relationship with Respondent on September 13, 2011, yet Respondent proceeded to perform healthcare tasks without an SP's direction or supervision from September 13, 2011, through October 25, 2011, according to the date of the last prescribed controlled substance on the Pharmacy Monitoring Profile (which is a similar database in the State of Arizona to the Nevada Prescription Monitoring Program). On October 26, 2011, Respondent wrote two (2) prescriptions for controlled substances on a prescription pad that contained her SP's, name and DEA number. The prescriptions were issued after the SP terminated his supervisory relationship with Respondent. Arizona Board staff determined that the prescription pads did not contain Respondent's current SP information. In addition, Respondent failed to timely appear for an investigational interview with Arizona Board staff to address the quality of care issues in this case on four (4) occasions. Arizona Board staff found that Respondent failed to cooperate with the Arizona Board's investigation. A Medical Consultant (MC) reviewed the medical records of certain patients treated by Respondent to determine the quality of care provided by Respondent.

Patient JC

3. Respondent treated Patient JC for weight loss and removal of skin lesions, and Respondent started the patient on Levoxyl and Prozac. Patient JC continued to be seen by Respondent for chronic pain, and received prescriptions for Phentermine, Vicodin, Valium, Xanax and Oxycodone during the course of treatment with Respondent. Patient JC's prescriptions were reportedly stolen in March 2011. Patient JC later underwent Fraxel treatment along with Mesotherapy that reportedly required continuation of her pain medications. By October 2011,

Patient JC had not established herself with a pain specialist and again claimed that her prescriptions were stolen.

Patient MW

4. Another patient, Patient MW, received medical care in Respondent's office for a Fraxel treatment on August 23, 2011. There is no record of prescriptions written for this patient in the chart provided. Lastly, a police report made by Respondent's former SP alleged that Respondent had written thirty-nine (39) prescriptions for Patient MW between June and September of 2011, including Oxycodone, Hydrocodone, Valium, Phentermine, Xanax, and Endocet. In particular, Respondent wrote a prescription for Oxycodone 5 mg, 100 ct., and Diazepam 10 mg, 100 ct., with five refills on June 20, 2011. The record of all pharmacy prescriptions written by Respondent from November 2010 to November 2011 includes over 900 prescriptions, approximately 99% of which written by Respondent during this time period were for Phentermine, Diazepam, Alprazolam, Hydrocodone, Oxycodone, Endocet and Carisoprodol. Of particular concern to the care of Patient MW were prescriptions for Hydrocodone-acetaminophen 7.5-750 mg, 100 ct., with five (5) refills, and prescriptions for Oxycodone-acetaminophen 10-325 mg, 100 ct., Alprazolam 1 mg, 90 ct., with two (2) refills, and Meperidine 50 mg., 40 ct., on January 18, 2011.

Arizona Board Discipline

- 5. The Arizona Board determined that the standard of care when prescribing medications for patients requires documentation of the medications prescribed, indications for use and monitoring of the amounts being prescribed and noted in the medical record. The Arizona Board determined that Respondent deviated from the standard of care by inappropriately prescribing medications for patients, and that the excess prescribing of these medications can lead to addiction or overdose with a possible fatal outcome.
- 6. For the foregoing misconduct, the Arizona Board found Respondent guilty of unprofessional conduct pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (ARS) §32-2501(18)(i) ("prescribing or dispensing controlled substances or prescription-only drugs for which the physician assistant is not approved or in excess of the amount authorized pursuant to this chapter"); ARS §32-2501(18)(j) ("any conduct or practice that is or might be harmful or dangerous to the health of a patient or the

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public"); ARS § 32-2501 (18)(p) ("failing or refusing to maintain adequate records on a patient"), and ARS § 32-2501(18)(z) ("failing to furnish legally requested information to the [Arizona Board] or its Investigator in a timely manner."). The Arizona Board also found that a practice restriction was needed in order to protect the public, and ordered that Respondent be issued a Letter of Reprimand, placed on probation for one (1) year with additional conditions and restrictions.

Respondent's Arizona License Renewal

7. Respondent's license to practice medicine as a physician assistant in the State of Arizona (License No. 2228) was due for renewal by June 1, 2013; Respondent did not renew, and her Arizona license expired by operation of law on May 20, 2014.

Criminal Conduct by Respondent in Arizona

- 8. On or about September 14, 2013, the Arizona Court found that Respondent had knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily pled guilty to the offense of: COUNT 3: OBTAINING A DANGEROUS DRUG BY FRAUD, CLASS 3 FELONY. On or about October 2, 2013, the Arizona Court entered its judgment finding Respondent guilty of the foregoing charge, and sentenced Respondent to a suspended imposition of sentence and placing the Defendant on probation for a period of four years commencing October 2, 2013, among other conditions of probation.
- 9. On or about January 17, 2014, pursuant to a Petition to Revoke Probation, the Arizona Court ordered that Respondent be held without bond pending hearing on said petition.
- 10. On or about August 11, 2014, the Arizona Court found Respondent guilty of violating her probation for the following crimes: OBTAINING A DANGEROUS DRUG BY FRAUD, CLASS 3 FELONY, and SEXUAL CONDUCT WITH A MINOR, CLASS 6 FELONY. For the first crime, Respondent was sentenced to two and one-half years with the Arizona Department of Corrections, as a minimum sentence, to date from August 11, 2014, and was given credit for two hundred eight (208) days served prior to sentencing. For the second crime, Respondent as sentenced to one (1) additional year of incarceration, that sentence to run consecutive to the other.

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Respondent's Application for a Physician Assistant License in the State of Nevada

- 11. On or about September 24, 2019, Respondent applied to the Board for a license to practice medicine as a physician assistant in the State of Nevada. On March 6, 2020, the Board met for its regularly scheduled public meeting, and considered Respondent's application in open session, at which time, Respondent informed the Board that she had not practiced clinical medicine since she had been incarcerated, and stated that, though she had secured a job at a medical spa, and planned in the future to perform plastic surgery injections, in-office procedures, excisions, and assisting with different procedures, nevertheless, she had not done so yet and the aforementioned job offer was contingent upon her obtaining a license in Nevada. At the meeting, individual Board members expressed concerns regarding her history of criminal and unprofessional conduct, and concerns about the fact that Respondent had not practiced clinical medicine since her incarceration. Nevertheless, considering that Respondent had recently recertified as a physician assistant with National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants, which demonstrated to some extent her current clinical competency, the Board approved her application and granted her a license to practice medicine.
- 12. The Board issued to Respondent an active license to practice medicine as a physician assistant in the State of Nevada (License No. PA2277) on March 6, 2020.
- 13. Respondent was not licensed to practice medicine as a physician assistant in the State of Nevada before March 6, 2020.
- 14. Respondent does not hold an active Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) registration, and has not held a valid registration since 2016. Respondent also does not hold and has never held an active license or registration with the Nevada State Board of Pharmacy (NSBOP).

II. STATEMENT OF LAW

- 15. Pursuant to NRS 630.020(1)-(4), the "Practice of medicine" means:
 - 1. To diagnose, treat, correct, prevent or prescribe for any human disease, ailment, injury, infirmity, deformity or other condition, physical or mental, by any means or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, the performance of an autopsy.
 - 2. To apply principles or techniques of medical science in the diagnosis or the prevention of any such conditions.

- 3. To perform any of the acts described in subsections 1 and 2 by using equipment that transfers information concerning the medical condition of the patient electronically, telephonically or by fiber optics, including, without limitation, through telehealth, from within or outside this State or the United States.
- 4. To offer, undertake, attempt to do or hold oneself out as able to do any of the acts described in subsections 1 and 2.
- 16. NRS 630.400(1)(d) provides that it is unlawful to practice medicine without being licensed under NRS Chapter 630.
- 17. Pursuant to NRS 630.400(2) and NRS 193.130(c) and (d), the unlawful practice of medicine is a felony, punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than one (1) year and a maximum term of not more than five (5) years.
- 18. NAC 630.380(1)(m) provides that violating any provision of NRS 630.301 to 630.3065, is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician assistant.
- 19. NAC 630.380(1)(f) provides that malpractice in the performance of medical services is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician assistant.
- 20. NRS 630.301(4) provides that malpractice is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician.
- 21. Pursuant to NAC 630.375(2) a physician assistant shall not perform medical services without supervision from his or her supervising physician, except in life-threatening and emergency situations.
- 22. Pursuant to NAC 630.370, a supervising physician is responsible for all the medical activities of his or her physician assistant and shall ensure, among other obligations, that the physician assistant performs only those medical services which have been approved by his or her supervising physician, there is strict compliance with the regulations of the State Board of Pharmacy regarding controlled substances, poisons, dangerous drugs or devices, and that the supervising physician is available at all times that his or her physician assistant is performing medical services to consult with his or her assistant.

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23. Pursuant to NAC 630.380(1)(a), willfully and intentionally making a false or fraudulent statement in applying for a license is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician assistant.

- 24. Pursuant to NAC 630.380(1)(c), performing medical services otherwise than in a life-threatening or emergency situation, and at the direction or under the supervision of the supervising physician of the physician assistant is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician assistant.
- 25. Pursuant to NRS 630.3065(2)(c), knowingly or willfully failing to comply with or provision of NRS Chapter 630 is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician.
- 26. 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."
- 27. Pursuant to 21 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) §1306.04(a)-(b) and NRS 453.381, a physician or physician assistant may prescribe or administer controlled substances only for a legitimate medical purpose and in the usual course of his or her professional practice. The responsibility for the proper prescribing and dispensing of controlled substances is upon the prescribing practitioner, and a prescription may not be issued in order for an individual practitioner to obtain controlled substances for supplying the individual practitioner for the purpose of general dispensing to patients. 21 CFR §1306.04(a)-(b).
- 28. Pursuant to NRS 630.3062(1)(h), fraudulent, illegal, unauthorized or otherwise inappropriate prescribing, administering or dispensing of a controlled substance listed in schedule II, III or IV is grounds for initiating disciplinary action or denying licensure.
- 29. Pursuant to NRS 449.442(1)-(2), an office of a physician or a facility that provides health care, other than a medical facility (as specifically defined in NRS 449.0151), must obtain a permit pursuant to NRS 449.443 from the Nevada State Board of Health, and must maintain current accreditation by a nationally recognized organization approved by the Nevada State Board of Health, before offering to a patient a service of general anesthesia, conscious sedation or deep sedation.

30. Pursuant to NRS 630.306(1)(o), failure to comply with the requirements of NRS 630.373 is grounds for initiating discipline or denying licensure.

- 31. Pursuant to NRS 630.373(1), a physician shall not administer or supervise directly the administration of general anesthesia, conscious sedation or deep sedation to patients unless the general anesthesia, conscious sedation or deep sedation is administered: (a) in an office of a physician or osteopathic physician which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive; (b) in a facility which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive; (c) in a medical facility as that term is defined in NRS 449.0151; or (d) outside of the State of Nevada.
- 32. For the purposes of NRS 630.373, "conscious sedation" means a minimally depressed level of consciousness, produced by a pharmacologic or nonpharmacologic method, or a combination thereof, in which the patient retains the ability independently and continuously to maintain an airway and to respond appropriately to physical stimulation and verbal commands. NRS 449.436.
- 33. Pursuant to NRS 453.021, "administer" means the direct application of a controlled substance, whether by injection, inhalation, ingestion or any other means, to the body of a patient or research subject by: (1) a practitioner or, in the practitioner's presence, by the practitioner's authorized agent; or (2) the patient or research subject at the direction and in the presence of the practitioner.
- 34. Pursuant to NRS 454.217, a person shall not inject a neuromodulator that is derived from Clostridium botulinum or is biosimilar to or the bioequivalent of such a neuromodulator unless (1) the person is a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, a qualified dentist licensed pursuant to NRS 631.391, a registered nurse or advanced practice registered nurse, a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to NRS Chapter 633, or a qualified podiatric physician to NRS 635.086, (2) it is within his or her scope of practice, and (3) the injection occurs at a location that is either a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, or at the office of a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 630 or 633 of NRS, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.

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35. A person who violates any portion of NRS 454.217 is guilty of a misdemeanor. NRS 454.356

- 36. Pursuant to NRS 629.086, a person shall not inject dermal or soft tissue fillers unless (1) the person is a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, a qualified dentist licensed pursuant to NRS 631.391, a registered nurse or advanced practice registered nurse, a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to NRS Chapter 633, or a qualified podiatric physician to NRS 635.086, (2) it is within his or her scope of practice, and (3) the injection occurs at a location that is either a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, or at the office of a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to chapter 630 or 633 of NRS, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.
- 37. A person who violates any portion of NRS 629.086 is guilty of a misdemeanor. NRS 629.086(3).
- 38. Pursuant to NRS 630.306(1)(u), the failure to comply with the provisions of NRS 454.217 or 629.086 is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician.
- 39. NAC 630.301(9) provides that engaging in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute is grounds for initiating disciplinary action against a physician assistant.

III. RESPONDENT'S UNLICENSED PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AT VIDA SPA MALPRACTICE, DISREPUTABLE CONDUCT AND RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE NEVADA MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT.

- 40. Vida Spa LLC, a Nevada Limited Liability Company, formed July 22, 2016. managed by Gisselle Platfoot ("Vida Spa"), and also doing business as "Vida Spa" and "Vita Medical Spa Las Vegas," is a self-described "medical spa" located at 3225 S Rainbow Blvd #107 and/or #206, Las Vegas, NV 89146.
- 41. Vida Spa LLC, is licensed in Clark County, Nevada, under Clark County Business License No. 2003447.081-172, under the business category of "Cosmetology Establishment -Other Services." The owners listed under this license are Art Matrix, Inc. and Gisselle Platfoot.
- 42. Gisselle Platfoot, manager of Vida Spa LLC, at all times relevant to this complaint, did not hold a license to practice any healing art as a "provider of health care," as defined in NRS 629.031, from any occupational licensing board in the State of Nevada.

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- 43. Vida Spa is "a facility that provides health care, other than a medical facility" (NRS 449.442). Neither Respondent, Vida Spa, nor Gisselle Platfoot held, or currently holds, the requisite permit, pursuant to NRS 449.442, to perform general anesthesia, conscious sedation or deep sedation. Additionally neither Respondent, Vida Spa, nor Gisselle Platfoot held a current accreditation by a nationally recognized organization approved by the Nevada State Board of Health.
- 44. At all times relevant to this Complaint, Vida Spa was not a "medical facility," as defined in NRS 449.0151, and not "the office" of a physician or physician assistant licensed pursuant to NRS chapter 630 or 633, qualified dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician, as provided in NRS 454.217.
- 45. On March 24, 2021, the NSBOP issued a Citation and Order to Cease and Desist (Platfoot Citation) to Vida Spa LLC and Gisselle Platfoot, whereby the NSBOP determined that Vida Spa LLC and Gisselle Platfoot were possessing, administering, prescribing and/or dispensing controlled substances and/or dangerous drugs for Nevada patients from Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law. Specifically, the Platfoot Citation states that Vida Spa and Gisselle Platfoot did not have a dispensing registration and are therefore prohibited from possessing, dispensing and/or administering controlled substances and/or dangerous drugs. The Platfoot Citation finds that Vida Spa and Gisselle Platfoot violated, attempted to violate, assisted or abetted in the violation of or conspired to violate, without limitation, NRS 453.226, NRS 453.316, NRS 453.321(1)(a), NRS 453.331(1)(c)(d)(t)&(i), NRS 453.381(1), NRS 453.401(1)(a), NRS 639.0727, NRS 639.100(1), NRS 639.23505, NRS 639.281, NRS 639.2813, NRS 639.310, NAC 639.742, 21 U.S.C. § 822(a)(2), 21 U.S.C. § 823(f), 21 U.S.C. § 841(a), 21 U.S.C. § 842(a), 21 U.S.C. § 846 and 21 CFR §§ 1306.03-1306.05. The Platfoot Citation orders Vida Spa LLC and Gisselle Platfoot, pursuant to NRS 639.2895(1), to immediately cease and desist possessing, administering, prescribing and/or dispensing controlled substances for Nevada patients, and also assessed an administrative fine of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) pursuant NRS 639.2895(3).

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A. Respondent's Treatment of Patient A Without a License

- 46. Patient A² was a fifty-seven (57) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 47. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient A, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- On October 9, 2019, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and 48. controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D., to issue fraudulent prescriptions to Patient A for Tramadol (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 50 mg tablets, 24 ct. for days, and Diazepam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 10 mg tablets, 8 ct. for 3 days; these prescriptions were called-in to the pharmacy by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and the prescriptions were filled the same day.
- 49. Respondent instructed Patient A to take Schedule IV controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions; Respondent instructed Patient A to take Tramadol 50mg, 2 tablets, and Diazepam 10 mg, 1 tablet, at 2:00 p.m., on October 10, 2019, for the purpose of conscious sedation for an invasive, surgical liposuction procedure Respondent planned to perform on Patient A at Vida Spa at 3:00 p.m. that day.
- Patient A to deviate from the issued prescription in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal a violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- 51. Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient A, did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient A, and did not specifically direct Respondent to issue prescriptions to Patient A.
- 52. On October 10, 2019, at Vida Spa, at approximately 3:00 p.m., Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the arms of Patient A. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient A, which Respondent obtained, without a

² Patient A's true identity is not disclosed herein to protect her privacy, but is disclosed in the Patient Designation served upon Respondent along with a copy of this Complaint, along with identifying information for all other patients B through L referered to herein.

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patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient A, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.

Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this 53. invasive surgical procedure on Patient A at Vida Spa.

COUNT I

NRS 630.400(1)(d) – Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- 54. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 55. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient A on October 9 and 10, 2019.
- 56. Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.
- 57. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT II

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 58. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 59. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient A, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient A without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an

invasive surgical procedure on Patient A, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient A utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for controlled substances to Patient A, by instructing Patient A to take controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2), and by treating Patient A without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

60. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT III

NRS 630.3062(1)(h) – Fraudulent, Illegal, Unauthorized and Otherwise Inappropriate Prescribing of Schedule IV Controlled Substance

- 61. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 62. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent issued fraudulent, illegal, unauthorized and otherwise inappropriate prescriptions for Schedule IV controlled substances, Tramadol and Diazepam, to Patient A by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient A without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, a DEA registration, and a controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for these controlled substances to Patient A, by instructing Patient A to take these controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- 63. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT IV

NRS 630.301(9) - Disreputable Conduct

- 64. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 65. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient A, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient A utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for Schedule IV controlled substances to Patient A, by instructing Patient A to take these controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2), and by treating Patient A without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
- 66. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.
 - B. Respondent's Treatment of Patient B Without a License
 - 67. Patient B was a thirty-one (31) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 68. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient B, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- 69. On October 7, 2019, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D., to issue fraudulent prescriptions to Patient B for Tramadol 50 mg tablets (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance), 20 ct. for 3 days, Promethazine 25 mg tablets, 12 ct. for 2 days, Sulfameth/Trimethprim 800/160 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 10 days; these prescriptions were called-in to the pharmacy by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and the prescriptions were filled the same day.

- 70. Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient B, did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient B, and did not specifically direct Respondent to issue a prescription to Patient B.
- 71. On October 8, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the arms of Patient B. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient B, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient B, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.
- 72. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient B at Vida Spa.

COUNT V

NRS 630.400(1)(d) – Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- 73. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 74. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient B on October 7 and 8, 2019.
- 75. Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.
- 76. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT VI

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

77. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

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78. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient B, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient B without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient B, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient B utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing a fraudulent and illegal prescription for a controlled substances to Patient B, and by treating Patient B without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

79. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT VII

NRS 630.3062(1)(h) - Fraudulent, Illegal, Unauthorized and Otherwise Inappropriate Prescribing of Schedule IV Controlled Substance

- 80. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 81. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent issued a fraudulent, illegal, unauthorized and otherwise inappropriate prescription for a Schedule IV controlled substances, Tramadol, to Patient B by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient B without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, a DEA registration, and a controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, and by issuing a fraudulent and illegal prescription for a Schedule IV controlled substances to Patient B.
- 82. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT VIII

NRS 630.301(9) - Disreputable Conduct

- 83. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 84. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient B, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient B utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing a fraudulent and illegal prescription for a Schedule IV controlled substances to Patient B, and by treating Patient B without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
- 85. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.
 - C. Respondent's Treatment of Patient C Without a License
 - 86. Patient C was a forty-three (43) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 87. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient C, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- 88. On October 9, 2019, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D., to issue fraudulent prescriptions to Patient C for Tramadol (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 50 mg tablets, 24 ct. for 3 days, Diazepam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 10 mg tablets, 12 ct. for 4 days, Promethazine 25 mg tablets, 20 ct for 5 days, and Sulfameth/Trimethprim 800/160 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 10 days; these prescriptions were called-in to the pharmacy by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and the prescriptions were filled the same day.
- 89. Respondent instructed Patient C to take the Schedule IV controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions; Respondent instructed Patient C to

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take Tramadol 50mg, 2 tablets, and Diazepam 10 mg, 1 tablet, one hour in advance an invasive, surgical liposuction procedure Respondent planned to perform on Patient C at Vida Spa on October 9, 2019, for the purpose of conscious sedation.

- 90. Respondent wrote the prescriptions for these controlled substances and instructed Patient C to deviate from the issued prescription in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- 91. Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient C, did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient C, and did not specifically direct Respondent to issue prescriptions to Patient C.
- 92. On October 9, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the arms of Patient C. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient C, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient C, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.
- 93. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient C at Vida Spa.

COUNT IX

NRS 630.400(1)(d) - Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- 94. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 95. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient C on October 9, 2019.
- 96. Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada,

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among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.

97. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT X

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 98. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 99. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient C, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient C without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient C, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient C utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for controlled substances to Patient C, by instructing Patient C to take controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2), and by treating Patient C without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
- 100. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XI

NRS 630.3062(1)(h) - Fraudulent, Illegal, Unauthorized and Otherwise Inappropriate Prescribing of Schedule IV Controlled Substance

101. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

fraudulent, illegal, unauthorized and otherwise inappropriate prescriptions for Schedule IV controlled substances, Tramadol and Diazepam, to Patient C by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient C without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, a DEA registration, and a controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for these controlled substances to Patient C, by instructing Patient C to take these controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).

103. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XII

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

104. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient C, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient C utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for Schedule IV controlled substances to Patient C, by instructing Patient C to take these controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2), and by treating Patient C without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

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106. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

Respondent's Treatment of Patient D Without a License D.

- 107. Patient D was a twenty-two (22) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 108. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient D, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- On October 12, 2019, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and 109. controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D., to issue fraudulent prescriptions to Patient D for Tramadol (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 50 mg tablets, 24 ct. for 3 days and Diazepam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 10 mg tablets, 8 ct. for 3 days; on information and belief, these prescriptions were called-in to the pharmacy by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and the prescriptions were filled the same day.
- 110. On information and belief, Respondent instructed Patient D to take the Schedule IV controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions; Respondent instructed Patient D to take Tramadol 50mg, 2 tablets, and Diazepam 10 mg, 1 tablet, one hour in advance an invasive, surgical liposuction procedure Respondent planned to perform on Patient D at Vida Spa on October 13, 2019, for the purpose of conscious sedation.
- 111. On information and belief, Respondent wrote the prescriptions for these controlled substances and instructed Patient D to deviate from the issued prescription in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient D, did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient D, and did not specifically direct Respondent to issue prescriptions to Patient D.
- 113. On October 13, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the abdomen and medial inferior upper arms of Patient D. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient D, which Respondent obtained, without a

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patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient D, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.

114. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient D at Vida Spa.

COUNT XIII

NRS 630.400(1)(d) - Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by 115. reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 116. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient D on October 12 and 13, 2019.
- Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XIV

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 119. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient D, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient D without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an

invasive surgical procedure on Patient D, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient D utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for controlled substances to Patient D, by instructing Patient D to take controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2), and by treating Patient D without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

121. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XV

NRS 630.3062(1)(h) – Fraudulent, Illegal, Unauthorized and Otherwise Inappropriate Prescribing of Schedule IV Controlled Substance

- 122. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- fraudulent, illegal, unauthorized and otherwise inappropriate prescriptions for Schedule IV controlled substances, Tramadol and Diazepam, to Patient D by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient D without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, a DEA registration, and a controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, by issuing fraudulent and illegal prescriptions for these controlled substances to Patient D, by instructing Patient D to take these controlled substances in a manner that materially deviated from the issued prescriptions in order to conceal the purpose of the medications, which was conscious sedation, and thereby to conceal an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- 124. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT XVI

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 125. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 126. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient D, administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient D utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, issuing fraudulent prescriptions for controlled substances to Patient D, violating and attempting to conceal violations of NRS 449.442(1)-(2), and 21 CFR §1306.04(a)-(b) and NRS 453.381, and treating Patient D without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

E. Respondent's Treatment of Patient E Without a License

- 127. Patient E was a thirty-three (33) year-old female at the time of the events at issue
- 128. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient E, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- 129. On October 8, 2019, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D., to issue a fraudulent prescription to Patient E for Tramadol (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 50 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 4 days, which prescription was filled the same day.
- 130. Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient E, did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient E, and did not specifically direct Respondent to issue a prescription to Patient E.
- 131. On October 8, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the arms of Patient E. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient E, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient E, from a general store of controlled substances and

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dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.

132. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient E at Vida Spa.

COUNT XVII

NRS 630.400(1)(d) - Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- 133. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient E on 134. October 7 and 8, 2019.
- 135. Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 136. provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XVIII

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 137. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient E, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient E without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient E, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient E utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous

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drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing a fraudulent and illegal prescription for a controlled substances to Patient E, and by treating Patient E without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XIX

NRS 630.3062(1)(h) - Fraudulent, Illegal, Unauthorized and Otherwise Inappropriate **Prescribing of Schedule IV Controlled Substance**

- All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by 140. reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 141. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent issued a fraudulent, illegal, unauthorized and otherwise inappropriate prescription for a Schedule IV controlled substances, Tramadol, to Patient E by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient E without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, a DEA registration, and a controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, and by issuing a fraudulent and illegal prescription for a Schedule IV controlled substances to Patient E.
- 142. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XX

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 143. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 144. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient E, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient E utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous

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drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients, by issuing a fraudulent and illegal prescription for a Schedule IV controlled substances to Patient E, and by treating Patient E without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

145. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

F. Respondent's Treatment of Patient F Without a License

- 146. Patient F was a male of unknown age at the time of the events at issue.
- At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient F, the so-called "medical 147. director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- 148. On October 24, 2019, Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient F, "Botox," a neuromodulator that is derived from Clostridium botulinum or is biosimilar to or the bioequivalent of such a neuromodulator, and "Versa," a hyaluronic acid dermal filler, both of which are dangerous drugs as defined by NRS 454.201, from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients.
- Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient F, and did not direct or supervise 149. Respondent in her treatment of Patient F.
- 150. On October 24, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent injected, and thereby administered pursuant to NRS 454.191, the aforementioned Botox and Versa into various locations on the face of Patient F.
- 151. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this injection procedure on Patient F at Vida Spa.

COUNT XXI

NRS 630.306(1)(u) - Illegal Injection of Botox

All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by 152. reference as though fully set forth herein.

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153. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent injected Botox into the face of Patient F in violation of NRS 629.086 when she did so without a license to practice any form of medicine pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, NRS 631.391, NRS Chapter 633, or NRS 635.086, and at a location that is neither a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, nor at the office of a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to NRS Chapters 630 or 633, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.

By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXII

NRS 630.306(1)(u) – Illegal Injection of Versa

- 155. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent injected Versa into the face of Patient F in violation of NRS 454.217 when she did so without a license to practice any form of medicine pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, NRS 631.391, NRS Chapter 633, or NRS 635.086, and at a location that is neither a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, nor at the office of a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to NRS Chapters 630 or 633, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.
- 157. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXIII

NRS 630.400(1)(d) – Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- 158. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 159. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient F on October 24, 2019.
- Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her

license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.

161. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXIV

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 162. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 163. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient F, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient F without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by obtaining, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient F, dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs, and by injecting Botox and Versa into the face of Patient F in violation of NRS 629.086 and NRS 454.217, respectively, and by treating Patient F without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
- 164. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXV

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 165. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 166. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with

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respect to Patient F without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by obtaining, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient F, dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs, and by injecting Botox and Versa into the face of Patient F in violation of NRS 629.086 and NRS 454.217, respectively, and by treating Patient F without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

167. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

G. Respondent's Treatment of Patient G Without a License

- 168. Patient G was a sixty-six (66) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 169. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient G, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Sherman Washington, Jr., M.D.
- 170. On October 29, 2019, Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient G, "Xeomin," a neuromodulator that is derived from Clostridium botulinum or is biosimilar to or the bioequivalent of such a neuromodulator, and "Versa," a hyaluronic acid dermal filler, both of which are dangerous drugs as defined by NRS 454.201, from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients.
- 171. Dr. Washington did not see or treat Patient G, did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient G.
- 172. On October 24, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent injected, and thereby administered pursuant to NRS 454.191, the aforementioned Xeomin and Versa into various locations on the face of Patient G.
- Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this 173. injection procedure on Patient G at Vida Spa.

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COUNT XXVI

NRS 630.306(1)(u) – Illegal Injection of Xeomin

- 174. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent injected Xeomin into the face of Patient G in violation of NRS 629.086 when she did so without a license to practice any form of medicine pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, NRS 631.391, NRS Chapter 633, or NRS 635.086, and at a location that is neither a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, nor at the office of a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to NRS Chapters 630 or 633, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.
- 176. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXVII

NRS 630.306(1)(u) – Illegal Injection of Versa

- All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 178. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent injected Versa into the face of Patient G in violation of NRS 454.217 when she did so without a license to practice any form of medicine pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, NRS 631.391, NRS Chapter 633, or NRS 635.086, and at a location that is neither a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, nor at the office of a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to NRS Chapters 630 or 633, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXVIII

NRS 630.400(1)(d) – Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

180. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

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181. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient G on October 29, 2019.

Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.

By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXIX

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

184. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

185. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient G, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient G without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by obtaining, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient G, dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs, and by injecting Xeomin and Versa into the face of Patient G in violation of NRS 629.086 and NRS 454.217, respectively, and by treating Patient G without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT XXX

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 187. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient G without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by obtaining, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient G, dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs, and by injecting Xeomin and Versa into the face of Patient G in violation of NRS 629.086 and NRS 454.217, respectively, and by treating Patient G without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

H. Respondent's Treatment of Patient H Without a License

- 190. Patient H was a forty-two (42) year-old person of unknown gender at the time of the events at issue.
- 191. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient H, Vida Spa had no socalled "medical director," the directorship of Dr. Sherman Washington having terminated on November 1, 2019.
- At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient H, the only parties 192. responsible for Vida Spa's activities with respect to Patient H were Respondent and, on information and belief, the parties listed on Clark County Business License No. 2003447.081-172. under the business category of "Cosmetology Establishment - Other Services," the owners of Vida Spa: Art Matrix, Inc. and Gisselle Platfoot.
- 193. On November 5, 2019 obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient H, "Versa," a hyaluronic acid dermal filler, a dangerous ///

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drug as defined by NRS 454.201, from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients.

- 194. On November 5, 2019, at Vida Spa, Respondent injected, and thereby administered pursuant to NRS 454.191, the aforementioned Versa into various locations on the face of Patient H.
- 195. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this injection procedure on Patient H at Vida Spa.

COUNT XXXI

NRS 630.306(1)(u) – Illegal Injection of Versa

- 196. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 197. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent injected Versa into the face of Patient H in violation of NRS 454.217 when she did so without a license to practice any form of medicine pursuant to NRS Chapter 630, NRS 631.391, NRS Chapter 633, or NRS 635.086, and at a location that is neither a medical facility, as defined in NRS 449.0151, nor at the office of a physician or physician assistant, licensed pursuant to NRS Chapters 630 or 633, dentist, advanced practice registered nurse or podiatric physician.
- 198. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXXII

NRS 630.400(1)(d) – Unlicensed Practice of Medicine

- 199. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 200. Respondent practiced medicine without a license when she treated Patient H on November 5, 2019.
- Respondent, having been previously disciplined by the Arizona Board and incarcerated in the State of Arizona for conduct related to her practice of medicine, having let her license to practice medicine in the State of Arizona expire while incarcerated, and as evidenced by

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her subsequent application to the Board for a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, among other evidence of scienter, Respondent's unlicensed practice of medicine in violation of NRS 630.400(1)(d) was knowing and willful.

202. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXXIII

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 203. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 204. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient H, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient H without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the State of Nevada, and by obtaining, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient H. dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs, and by injecting Versa into the face of Patient H in violation of NRS 454.217, and by treating Patient H without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.
- 205. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXXIV

NRS 630.301(9) - Disreputable Conduct

- 206. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 207. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient H, by, among other misconduct, knowingly, willfully and feloniously practicing medicine with respect to Patient H without first obtaining a license to practice medicine in the

State of Nevada, and by obtaining, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner for Patient H, dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs, and by injecting Versa into the face of Patient H in violation of NRS 454.217, and by treating Patient H without the direct supervision of a licensed physician.

208. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

IV. RESPONDENT'S FRAUD IN OBTAINING LICENSURE

COUNT XXXV

NRS 630.304(1) – Fraud and Misrepresentation in Obtaining a License

- 209. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 210. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent obtained a license to practice medicine by fraud, misrepresentation and false, misleading, inaccurate and incomplete statements when, on March 6, 2020, in a public meeting of the Board, when the Board was considering her application for licensure as a physician assistant in the State of Nevada, in open session, Respondent informed the Board that she had not practiced clinical medicine since she had been incarcerated, and stated that, though she had secured a job at a medical spa, and planned in the future to perform plastic surgery injections, in-office procedures, excisions, and assisting with different procedures, nevertheless, she had not done so yet and the aforementioned job offer was contingent upon her obtaining a license in Nevada.
- 211. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent's statements to the Board on March 6, 2020, were materially false and Respondent knew they were materially false when she made the statements.
- 212. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent's statements to the Board on March 6, 2020, were knowing misrepresentations of the truth and made to conceal material facts that would have prevented her from obtaining licensure.
- 213. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent's statements to the Board on March 6, 2020, were intentionally misleading, and made to induce the

Board to act to the detriment of the public safety by issuing her a license to practice medicine, despite the fact that she had already been knowingly, willingly, feloniously practicing medicine without a license.

- 214. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.
- V. RESPONDENT'S PERFORMANCE OF MEDICAL SERVICES WITHOUT A SUPERVISING PHYSICIAN, ADMINISTRATION OF CONSCIOUS SEDATION AT VIDA SPA, AN UNPERMITTED AND UNACCREDITED FACILITY PURSUANT TO NRS 449.442, AND RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE NEVADA MEDICAL PRACTICE ACT
 - I. Respondent's Treatment of Patient I
 - 215. Patient I was a twenty-nine (29) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 216. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient I, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D.
- 217. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient I, Respondent did not have a supervising physician, and did not have a supervising physician agreement on file with and accepted by the Board, and was therefore expressly prohibited from performing medical services pursuant to NAC 630.375(2).
- 218. The medical services rendered to Patient I by Respondent did not occur in a life-threatening or emergency situation.
- 219. On June 1, 2020, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., to issue prescriptions to Patient I for Oxycodone-acetaminophen (a Schedule II Controlled Substance) 5-325 mg tablets, 12 ct. for 3 days; Alprazolam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 1 mg tablets, 4 ct. for 2 days; Promethazine 25 mg tablets, 10 ct. for 2 days, Sulfameth/Trimethprim 800/160 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 10 days.
- 220. Respondent issued prescriptions for these controlled substances and dangerous drugs by using the pre-printed prescription pad of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., which contained his pre-printed DEA number; the prescription was completed by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, with Patient I's name and with the

corresponding medications, quantities and doses. Respondent, or a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, presented the prescription to Dr. Borromeo, who then signed the prescription with the understanding that the controlled substances and dangerous drugs would then be used by Respondent on Patient I for the purpose of performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient I.

- 221. The material purpose for prescribing the controlled substances to Patient I was conscious sedation and pain control for an invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient I.
- 222. Dr. Borromeo's express purpose in signing the already completed written prescriptions for controlled substances for Patient I was for conscious sedation and pain control for invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient I.
- Pharmacy Santa Maria, at 3827 E. Sunset Rd, Ste L, Las Vegas, Nevada 89120, which filled the prescription, and the controlled substances and dangerous drugs were then delivered directly to Vida Spa. The controlled substances and dangerous drugs were accepted at Vida Spa by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and then administered to Patient I by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent supervised directly by Respondent.
- 224. Respondent, a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction in the Respondent's presence, or Patient I at the direction and in the presence of Respondent, directly administered to Patient I the controlled substances, Alprazolam and Oxycodone-acetominophen, by ingestion.
- 225. Dr. Borromeo did not see or treat Patient I, and did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient I.
- 226. On June 2, 2020, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the upper and lower abdomen and arms of Patient I, and a fat grafting procedure to Patient I's breasts. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient I, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a

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licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient I, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.

227. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient I at Vida Spa.

COUNT XXXVI

NAC 630.380(1)(c) - Performing Medical Services Without A Supervising Physician

- 228. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 229. Respondent performed medical services without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, and in a non-emergency and non-life-threatening situation, when she treated Patient I on June 1 and 2, 2020.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXXVII

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 231. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 232. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient I by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient I without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient I utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient I, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient I, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).

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By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXXVIII

NRS 630.306(1)(0) – Administration of Conscious Sedation at an Unaccredited and **Unpermitted Facility**

- 234. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 235. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to comply with NRS 630.373 when rendering medical services to Patient I, by, among other misconduct, administering and/or supervising directly the administration of conscious sedation to Patient I for an invasive surgical procedure that Respondent performed on Patient I at Vida Spa, which is not the office of a physician or osteopathic physician which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, not a facility which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, and not a medical facility as that term is defined in NRS 449.0151, and which is located inside the State of Nevada.
- 236. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XXXIX

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 237. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient I without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient I utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patientspecific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient I, by administering or directly supervising the

administration of conscious sedation to Patient I, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).

239. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

J. Respondent's Treatment of Patient J

- 240. Patient J was a forty (40) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 241. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient J, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D.
- 242. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient J, Respondent did not have a supervising physician, and did not have a supervising physician agreement on file with and accepted by the Board, and was therefore expressly prohibited from performing medical services pursuant to NAC 630.375(2).
- 243. The medical services rendered to Patient J by Respondent did not occur in a life-threatening or emergency situation.
- 244. On June 2, 2020, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., to issue prescriptions to Patient J for Oxycodone-acetaminophen (a Schedule II Controlled Substance) 5-325 mg tablets, 12 ct. for 3 days; Alprazolam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 1 mg tablets, 4 ct. for 2 days; Promethazine 25 mg tablets, 10 ct. for 2 days, Sulfameth/Trimethprim 800/160 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 10 days.
- 245. Respondent issued prescriptions for these controlled substances and dangerous drugs by using the pre-printed prescription pad of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., which contained his pre-printed DEA number; the prescription was completed by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, with Patient J's name and with the corresponding medications, quantities and doses. Respondent, or a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, presented the prescription to Dr. Borromeo, who then signed the prescription with the understanding that the controlled substances and dangerous drugs

would then be used by Respondent on Patient J for the purpose of performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient J.

- 246. The material purpose for prescribing the controlled substances to Patient J was conscious sedation and pain control for an invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient J.
- 247. Dr. Borromeo's express purpose in signing the already completed written prescriptions for controlled substances for Patient J was for conscious sedation and pain control for invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient J.
- 248. The written prescription issued for Patient J in this manner was then presented to Pharmacy Santa Maria, at 3827 E. Sunset Rd, Ste L, Las Vegas, Nevada 89120, which filled the prescription, and the controlled substances and dangerous drugs were then delivered directly to Vida Spa. The controlled substances and dangerous drugs were accepted at Vida Spa by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and then administered to Patient J by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent supervised directly by Respondent.
- 249. Respondent, a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction in the Respondent's presence, or Patient J at the direction and in the presence of Respondent, directly administered to Patient J the controlled substances, Alprazolam and Oxycodone-acetominophen, by ingestion.
- 250. Dr. Borromeo did not see or treat Patient J, and did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient J.
- 251. On June 3, 2020, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on Patient J. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient J, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient J, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.

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252. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient J at Vida Spa.

COUNT XL

NAC 630.380(1)(c) - Performing Medical Services Without A Supervising Physician

- 253. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- Respondent performed medical services without the direction and supervision of a 254. supervising physician, and in a non-emergency and non-life-threatening situation, when she treated Patient J on June 2 and 3, 2020.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XLI

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 256. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 257. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient J by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient J without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient J utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient J, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient J, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- 258. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT XLII

NRS 630.306(1)(0) – Administration of Conscious Sedation at an Unaccredited and Unpermitted Facility

- 259. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 260. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to comply with NRS 630.373 when rendering medical services to Patient J, by, among other misconduct, administering and/or supervising directly the administration of conscious sedation to Patient J for an invasive surgical procedure that Respondent performed on Patient J at Vida Spa, which is not the office of a physician or osteopathic physician which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, not a facility which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, and not a medical facility as that term is defined in NRS 449.0151, and which is located inside the State of Nevada.
- 261. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XLIII

NRS 630.301(9) - Disreputable Conduct

- 262. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 263. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient J without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient J utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient J, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient J, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).

264. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

K. Respondent's Treatment of Patient K

- 265. Patient K was a thirty-five (35) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 266. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient K, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D.
- 267. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient K, Respondent did not have a supervising physician, and did not have a supervising physician agreement on file with and accepted by the Board, and was therefore expressly prohibited from performing medical services pursuant to NAC 630.375(2).
- 268. The medical services rendered to Patient K by Respondent did not occur in a life-threatening or emergency situation.
- 269. On June 3, 2020, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., to issue prescriptions to Patient K for Oxycodone-acetaminophen (a Schedule II Controlled Substance) 5-325 mg tablets, 12 ct. for 3 days; Alprazolam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 1 mg tablets, 4 ct. for 2 days; Promethazine 25 mg tablets, 10 ct. for 2 days, Sulfameth/Trimethprim 800/160 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 10 days.
- 270. Respondent issued prescriptions for these controlled substances and dangerous drugs by using the pre-printed prescription pad of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., which contained his pre-printed DEA number; the prescription was completed by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, with Patient K's name and with the corresponding medications, quantities and doses. Respondent, or a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, presented the prescription to Dr. Borromeo, who then signed the prescription with the understanding that the controlled substances and dangerous drugs would then be used by Respondent on Patient K for the purpose of performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient K.

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271. The material purpose for prescribing the controlled substances to Patient K was conscious sedation and pain control for an invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient K.

- 272. Dr. Borromeo's express purpose in signing the already completed written prescriptions for controlled substances for Patient K was for conscious sedation and pain control for invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient K.
- The written prescription issued for Patient K in this manner was then presented to Pharmacy Santa Maria, at 3827 E. Sunset Rd, Ste L, Las Vegas, Nevada 89120, which filled the prescription, and the controlled substances and dangerous drugs were then delivered directly to Vida Spa. The controlled substances and dangerous drugs were accepted at Vida Spa by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and then administered to Patient K by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent supervised directly by Respondent.
- 274. Respondent, a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction in the Respondent's presence, or Patient K at the direction and in the presence of Respondent, directly administered to Patient K the controlled substances, Alprazolam and Oxycodone-acetominophen, by ingestion.
- Dr. Borromeo did not see or treat Patient K, and did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient K.
- 276. On June 4, 2020, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the upper back and flanks of Patient K. On information and belief, Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient K, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient K, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.
- 277. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient K at Vida Spa.

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COUNT XLIV

NAC 630.380(1)(c) – Performing Medical Services Without A Supervising Physician

- 278. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 279. Respondent performed medical services without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, and in a non-emergency and non-life-threatening situation, when she treated Patient K on June 3 and 4, 2020.
- 280. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XLV

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- 281. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 282. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient K by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient K without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient K utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient K, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient K, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- 283. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT XLVI

NRS 630.306(1)(0) – Administration of Conscious Sedation at an Unaccredited and Unpermitted Facility

- 284. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 285. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to comply with NRS 630.373 when rendering medical services to Patient K, by, among other misconduct, administering and/or supervising directly the administration of conscious sedation to Patient K for an invasive surgical procedure that Respondent performed on Patient K at Vida Spa, which is not the office of a physician or osteopathic physician which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, not a facility which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, and not a medical facility as that term is defined in NRS 449.0151, and which is located inside the State of Nevada.
- 286. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XLVII

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 287. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 288. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient K without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient K utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient K, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient K, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).

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By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 289. provided in NRS 630.352.

L. Respondent's Treatment of Patient L

- 290. Patient L was a forty (40) year-old female at the time of the events at issue.
- 291. At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient L, the so-called "medical director" of Vida Spa was Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D.
- At all times relevant to Respondent's treatment of Patient L, Respondent did not 292. have a supervising physician, and did not have a supervising physician agreement on file with and accepted by the Board, and was therefore expressly prohibited from performing medical services pursuant to NAC 630.375(2).
- 293. The medical services rendered to Patient L by Respondent did not occur in a lifethreatening or emergency situation.
- On June 4, 2020, Respondent, who did not have her own DEA registration and controlled substance license issued by the NSBOP, utilized the prescribing credentials of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., to issue prescriptions to Patient L for Oxycodone-acetaminophen (a Schedule II Controlled Substance) 5-325 mg tablets, 12 ct. for 3 days; Alprazolam (a Schedule IV Controlled Substance) 1 mg tablets, 4 ct. for 2 days; Promethazine 25 mg tablets, 10 ct. for 2 days, Sulfameth/Trimethprim 800/160 mg tablets, 20 ct. for 10 days.
- 295. Respondent issued prescriptions for these controlled substances and dangerous drugs by using the pre-printed prescription pad of Salvador Borromeo, III, M.D., which contained his pre-printed DEA number; the prescription was completed by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, with Patient L's name and with the corresponding medications, quantities and doses. Respondent, or a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, presented the prescription to Dr. Borromeo, who then signed the prescription with the understanding that the controlled substances and dangerous drugs would then be used by Respondent on Patient L for the purpose of performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient L.

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296. The material purpose for prescribing the controlled substances to Patient L was conscious sedation and pain control for an invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient L.

- 297. Dr. Borromeo's express purpose in signing the already completed written prescriptions for controlled substances for Patient L was for conscious sedation and pain control for invasive surgical procedure to be performed on Patient L.
- The written prescription issued for Patient L in this manner was then presented to Pharmacy Santa Maria, at 3827 E. Sunset Rd, Ste L, Las Vegas, Nevada 89120, which filled the prescription, and the controlled substances and dangerous drugs were then delivered directly to Vida Spa. The controlled substances and dangerous drugs were accepted at Vida Spa by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction, and then administered to Patient L by Respondent, or by a Vida Spa employee or agent supervised directly by Respondent.
- Respondent, a Vida Spa employee or agent acting at Respondent's direction in the Respondent's presence, or Patient L at the direction and in the presence of Respondent, directly administered to Patient L the controlled substances, Alprazolam and Oxycodone-acetominophen, by ingestion.
- 300. Dr. Borromeo did not see or treat Patient L, and did not direct or supervise Respondent in her treatment of Patient L.
- 301. On June 5, 2020, at Vida Spa, Respondent performed a liposuction procedure on the abdomen, flanks back and "bra straps" of Patient L, and a fat transfer to the buttocks of Patient L. Respondent administered tumescent anesthesia with Lidocaine and Epinephrine to Patient L, which Respondent obtained, without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwised authorized to perform medical services for Patient L, from a general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs obtained and maintained by Vida Spa in violation of federal and state law.
- 302. Respondent was not supervised by any licensed physician while performing this invasive surgical procedure on Patient L at Vida Spa.

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COUNT XLVIII

NAC 630.380(1)(a) - Performing Medical Services Without A Supervising Physician

- 303. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 304. Respondent performed medical services without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, and in a non-emergency and non-life-threatening situation, when she treated Patient L on June 4 and 5, 2020.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as 305. provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT XLIX

NRS 630.301(4) - Malpractice

- All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by 306. reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 307. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent committed malpractice when she failed to use the reasonable care, skill or knowledge ordinarily used under similar circumstances when rendering medical services to Patient L by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient L without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient L utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patient-specific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient L, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient L, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

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COUNT L

NRS 630.306(1)(o) - Administration of Conscious Sedation at an Unaccredited and **Unpermitted Facility**

- 309. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 310. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, Respondent failed to comply with NRS 630.373 when rendering medical services to Patient L, by, among other misconduct, administering and/or supervising directly the administration of conscious sedation to Patient L for an invasive surgical procedure that Respondent performed on Patient L at Vida Spa, which is not the office of a physician or osteopathic physician which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, not a facility which holds a permit pursuant to NRS 449.435 to 449.448, inclusive, and not a medical facility as that term is defined in NRS 449.0151, and which is located inside the State of Nevada.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT LI

NRS 630.301(9) – Disreputable Conduct

- 312. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 313. Respondent engaged in conduct that brings the medical profession into disrepute by, among other misconduct, by performing an invasive surgical procedure on Patient L without the direction and supervision of a supervising physician, by administering tumescent anesthesia to Patient L utilizing dangerous drugs from Vida Spa's general store of controlled substances and dangerous drugs used for general administration and dispensing to patients without a patientspecific prescription or an order from a licensed practitioner or a practitioner otherwise authorized to perform medical services for Patient L, by administering or directly supervising the administration of conscious sedation to Patient L, which is a violation of NRS 630.373 and an apparent violation by Vida Spa of NRS 449.442(1)-(2).

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314. By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

V. RESPONDENT'S CONTINUAL FAILURE TO ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE IN A PROFESSIONAL MANNER

COUNT LII

NRS 630.306(1)(g) - Continual Failure to Practice Medicine Properly

- 315. All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.
- 316. As demonstrated by, but not limited to, the above-outlined facts, by abundantly and abidingly demonstrating through numerous, repeated, knowing, willful and criminal failures, both before and after her licensure in this state, by engaging in the unlicensed practice of medicine, committing malpractice, violating state and federal laws pertaining to the proper handling, prescription and administration of dangerous drugs and controlled substances, performing medical services without a supervising physician, and obtaining licensure in this state by fraud and misrepresentation, among other serious violations, Respondent has continually failed to exercise the skill and diligence and use the methods ordinarily exercised under the same circumstances by physicians in good standing practicing in the same specialty or field.
- 317. Respondent's conduct, considered in its entirety, is extraordinarily and persistently unprofessional in character.
- By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as provided in NRS 630.352.

COUNT LIII

NRS 630.3065(2)(a) - Knowing or Willful Failure to Comply with an Order of the **Investigative Committee**

All of the allegations contained in the above paragraphs are hereby incorporated by 319. reference as though fully set forth herein.

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	320.	Pursuant to	NRS 630.3065(2)(a), knowingly or willfully failing to comply with	ar
order	of the	Investigative	Committee of the Board is grounds for disciplinary action or deny	ing
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- 321. The IC is investigating complaints related to instances of alleged malpractice and serious patient injury caused by Licensee, in furtherance of which the IC has issued an Order to Produce Healthcare Records ("Order for Records") pursuant to its authority pursuant to NRS 630.311(1), and issued an allegation letter, both of which lawfully command a response from Licensee.
- 322. Pursuant to NRS 630.254, Licensee is required to maintain a permanent mailing address with the Board to which all communications from the Board to the licensee must be sent.
- 323. The IC sent its allegation letter to Licensee by USPS Regular Mail addressed to Licensee's address of record on or about December 17, 2020.
- 324. The IC sent its allegation letter and Order for Records to Licensee by USPS Regular Mail addressed to Licensee's address of record on or about January 29, 2021.
- 325. The IC sent its allegation letter and Order for Records to Licensee by USPS. Certified Mail addressed to Licensee's address of record on or about February 26, 2021, which was certified delivered on March 1, 2021.
- 326. The IC sent its allegation letter and Order for Records to Licensee via email to the email address on file with the Board on or about March 19, 2021.
- 327. The IC sent its allegation letter and Order for Records to Licensee by FedEx Ground to Licensee's address of record on or about June 28, 2021, which was delivered on July 1, 2021.
- 328. As of the date of the filing of this First Amended Complaint, Licensee has failed to comply with the IC's allegation letter and lawful Order to Produce Healthcare Records, which failure is impeding the IC's investigation of this matters.
- 329. On information and belief, Licensee's failure to comply with the IC's Order is knowing and willful.

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provided in NRS 630.352.

WHEREFORE, the Investigative Committee prays: That the Board give Respondent notice of the charges herein against her and give 4 him notice that she may file an answer to the Complaint herein as set forth in 5 NRS 630.339(2) within twenty (20) days of service of the Complaint; 6 That the Board set a time and place for a formal hearing after holding an Early 7 2. 8 Case Conference pursuant to NRS 630.339(3); That the Board determine what sanctions to impose if it determines there has been 9 3. 10 a violation or violations of the Medical Practice Act committed by Respondent; 11 4. That the Board award fees and costs for the investigation and prosecution of this case as outlined in NRS 622.400; 12 That the Board make, issue and serve on Respondent its findings of fact, 13 5. conclusions of law and order, in writing, that includes the sanctions imposed; and 14 That the Board take such other and further action as may be just and proper in these 15 6. premises. 16 DATED this 19 day of July, 2021. 17 18 INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS 19 20 By: AARON B. FRICKE, J.D. 21 General Counsel 22 9600 Gateway Drive Reno, NV 89521 23 Tel: (775) 688-2559 Email: africke@medboard.nv.gov 24 Attorney for the Investigative Committee 25 26 27 28

By reason of the foregoing, Respondent is subject to discipline by the Board as

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEVADA) : ss. COUNTY OF CLARK)

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

DATED this Hay of July, 2021.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

By:

VICTOR M. MURO, M.D.

Chairman for the Investigative Committee