

BEFORE THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD
STATE OF COLORADO
CASE NO: 2016-2176-A

ORDER OF SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-104(4), C.R.S.

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AS A
PHYSICIAN IN THE STATE OF COLORADO OF BENJAMIN A. DEATON,
M.D., LICENSE NO. DR-56143,

Respondent.

TO: Benjamin A. Deaton, M.D.
1701 Hermann Dr. Unit 3003
Houston, TX 77004-7331

Inquiry Panel A (“Panel”) of the Colorado Medical Board (the “Colorado Board”), having reviewed this matter during its meeting of the Panel on April 22, 2016, hereby finds as follows:

1. Respondent was licensed to practice medicine in the state of Colorado on December 17, 2015, and was issued license number DR-56143, which Respondent has held continuously since that date.

2. On April 22, 2016, the Panel reviewed materials relating to case number 2016-2176-A and found that based upon the information reviewed, the Panel had reasonable grounds to believe that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action and/or that Respondent was guilty of a deliberate and willful violation of the Medical Practice Act. The Panel reviewed information and found that Respondent, who is licensed in Texas, had been monitoring with the Texas physician health program for a physical or mental illness or condition. The Panel reviewed information that Respondent did not disclose to the Board on his application for Colorado medical licensure that he had a physical or mental illness or condition that could impact his ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients. The Panel also reviewed information that Respondent self-referred to the Colorado Physician Health Program (“CPHP”) after he submitted his application for licensure, that CPHP began its evaluation after Respondent was granted a license to practice medicine, and that Respondent has not complied with CPHP’s requirements for evaluation to date. Additionally, the Panel reviewed information that Respondent was not compliant with monitoring through the Texas physician health program.

3. Based upon paragraphs 1-2, the Panel has objective and reasonable grounds to believe and finds that Respondent deliberately and willfully violated the Medical Practice Act and/or that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action.

4. The Panel incorporates paragraphs 1 through 3 in its findings for this Order of Suspension from the Practice of Medicine.

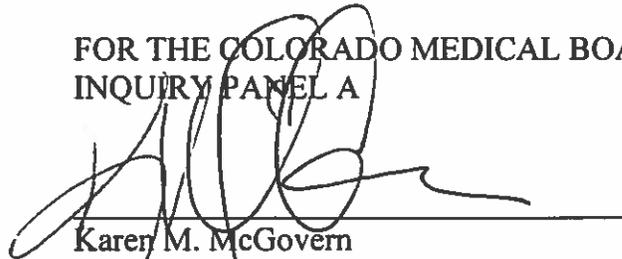
5. The Panel is therefore authorized by Section 24-4-104(4), C.R.S. to suspend Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state pending proceedings for suspension or revocation.

WHEREFORE, it is ordered that:

1. Respondent's license to practice medicine in this state is hereby suspended, effective at 6:00 p.m., Friday, April 22, 2016.
2. The suspension shall remain in effect until resolution of this matter.

ENTERED this 22nd day of April, 2016.

FOR THE COLORADO MEDICAL BOARD
INQUIRY PANEL A



Karen M. McGovern
Program Director
Colorado Medical Board
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Delegated by Panel A to sign on its behalf

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I have duly served the within **ORDER OF SUSPENSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 24-4-104(4), C.R.S.** upon all parties herein as designated below, at Denver, Colorado, this 22nd day of April, 2016, addressed as follows:

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