North Carolina Medical Board

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June 7, 2024

Kelly James Turner, M.D.
10232 Lilac Road
Oak Hills, CA 92344

Dear Dr. Turner:

The North Carolina Medical Board ("Board") has decided to issue you a medical license. However, as a result of information reviewed while evaluating your license application, the Board has also decided to issue you a public letter of concern. The Board does not consider a public letter of concern to be a disciplinary action or a limitation or restriction on your license.

The Board is concerned regarding your disciplinary history with other state medical boards and your history of alcohol-related arrests. Specifically, the Board is concerned with the following:

On December 6, 2013, you entered into an Agreed Order ("2013 Order") with the Texas Medical Board ("Texas Board"), which imposed certain terms and conditions. The 2013 Order was based on your prescribing controlled substances to patients without maintaining proper medical records or ordering medical records from the patient's previous treating physicians. As a result of this 2013 Order, you also agreed to surrender your Colorado medical license with the Colorado Medical Board, effective February 19, 2015.

The Board acknowledges that, on March 4, 2016, the Texas Board entered an Order Granting Termination of the 2013 Order.

In 2018, you were arrested five times for alcohol-related offenses. On October 22, 2018, the Texas Board entered an Order of Temporary Suspension without notice due to your continuation of the practice of medicine, constituting a continuing threat to public welfare due to an impairment. Subsequently, you and the Texas Board entered into an Agreed Order on June 14, 2019 ("2019 Order"), in which your license was suspended and automatically stayed under a probationary period with certain terms and conditions for 10 years, including, but not limited to, only practicing administrative medicine, having no patient contact or prescribing ability, and having no supervised or delegated prescriptive authority.

On October 15, 2021, the Texas Board entered an order granting modification of the 2019 Order allowing you to practice only in a group or institutional setting, treat patients, and to supervise and delegate prescriptive authority to mid-level practitioners, with all other provisions of the 2019 Order remaining in effect.

The Board notes that on August 18, 2023, the Texas Board entered an additional modification of the 2019 Order, reducing the number of AA weekly meetings and lifting the practice setting restriction, thereby allowing you to supervise or delegate prescriptive authority to midlevel practitioners. The Modification Order was based on your "full compliance [and maintaining] excellent personal and professional stability and progress with maintaining [your] sobriety."

The Board recognizes your continued compliance with the orders of the Texas Board and acknowledges that you were assessed by the North Carolina Professionals Health Program which supports you for continued practice with no recommendations for further assessment, treatment, or monitoring.

The Board urges you to take steps to ensure the conduct giving rise to the Board's concerns does not happen again. Otherwise, the Board may take additional action against your North Carolina license to practice medicine. If that happens, this letter may be reviewed in determining the appropriate action.

This letter is a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and is subject to public inspection and dissemination as required by that law. It will be reported to the Federation of State Medical Boards, and it may be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank if required by law.

Sincerely,

Christine Khandelwal, DO

Christine M. Khandelwal, D.O., MHPE
President

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Consent and Waiver

I, Kelly James Turner, M.D., would like to resolve this matter without the need for more formal proceedings and consent to the Board's issuance of this public letter of concern in resolution of the above matter. I hereby waive any requirement under any law or rule that this public letter of concern be served on me.

Consented to this the 6 day of June, 2024.

Kelly James Turner, M.D.

State of California

County of San Bernardino

I, D. Van Bavel - Notary Public, do hereby certify that Kelly James Turner, M.D. personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal this the -6- day of June —, 2024.

Notary Public

D. VAN BAVEL
COMM. #2468605
Notary Public - California
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
My Comm. Exp. Oct. 28, 2027

(Official Seal)

My Commission Expires: Oct 28, 2027