IN THE MATTER OF \* BEFORE THE

PAYAL GAGLANI, DPT \* MARYLAND BOARD OF

PHYSICAL THERAPIST \* PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS

LICENSE NO. 24570 \* Case No. PT 15-09

# PRE-CHARGE CONSENT ORDER

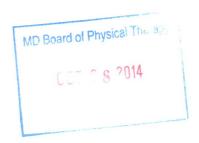
### **Background**

On or about July 22, 2014, the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (the "Board") received an application from Payal Gaglani, DPT, to reinstate her license to practice physical therapy in Maryland, License No. 24570. On her application, Dr. Gaglani stated that she continued to practice physical therapy after her license expired on May 31, 2014. In a follow-up email, Dr. Gaglani stated that she practice physical therapy on an expired license from June 1, 2014, to July 21, 2014, in her capacity as a physical therapy resident in a hospital rehabilitation clinic.

In lieu of instituting formal proceedings against Dr. Gaglani for violations of the Maryland Physical Therapy Act, Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. § 13-101 et seq., the Board voted to resolve this matter by way of a Pre-Charge Consent Order. As a result, the Board and Dr. Gaglani have agreed to resolve this matter as set forth in this Consent Order.

# FINDINGS OF FACT

 Dr. Gaglani was initially licensed by the Board to practice physical therapy under License No. 24570 on August 6, 2013. Her license is currently active and is set to expire on May 31, 2016.



- 2. On or about July 22, 2014, the Board received an application from Dr. Gaglani to reinstate her license, which had expired on May 31, 2014. On her application, Dr. Gaglani admitted that she had continued to practice physical therapy on her expired license.
- 3. The Board reinstated Dr. Gaglani's license to practice as a physical therapist on July 25, 2014.
- 4. On August 12, 2104, in response to an email from the Board's Compliance Manager, Dr. Gaglani clarified that she practiced physical therapy on an expired license between June 1, 2014, and July 21, 2104, before she realized her license was expired. Dr. Gaglani stated that she stopped practicing as a physical therapist as soon as she realized her license had expired.

## **CONCLUSION OF LAW**

Based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, the Board concludes that Dr. Gaglani is subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. §§ 13-401 and 13-407, and COMAR 10.38.10.06.

### **ORDER**

Based on an affirmative vote of a majority of the Board, it is this \_\_\_\_\_ day of Octobec\_\_, 2014, hereby:

**ORDERED** that Dr. Gaglani shall pay a fine in the amount of \$300, payable to the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, within ninety (90) days of the date of the Order; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that failure to pay in full the above fine within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order shall be considered a violation of this Order, and after notice and opportunity for a

hearing shall subject Dr. Gaglani to further discipline such as suspension, revocation, or further fines based on the violations cited in this Order; and be it further,

**ORDERED** that this is a formal order of the Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners and as such is a public document pursuant to the Maryland Annotated Code, State Government Article, Section 10-617(h).

10/8/14/ Date

Dr. John Baker, PT, DScPT

Chair

Maryland Board of Physical Therapy Examiners

#### CONSENT

- 1. By signing this Consent, I submit to the foregoing Consent Order as a resolution of this matter in lieu of formal charges, which process would have afforded me the right to a full evidentiary hearing. I consent and submit to the foregoing Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order as if made after a full evidentiary hearing in which I would have the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my behalf, and to all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law.
- 2. By signing this Consent, I waive any rights I may have had to contest the findings and determinations contained in this Consent Order.
- 3. I acknowledge that this is a formal order of the Board and as such is a public document.
- 4. I acknowledge the legal authority and the jurisdiction of the Board to enter into and enforce this Consent Order.
- I sign this Consent Order freely and voluntarily and after having had the opportunity to consult with counsel. I fully understand the language, meaning, and effect of this Consent Order.

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I hereby certify that on this before me, a Notary Public of the State of appeared PAYAL GAGLANI, and made an her voluntary act and deed.	day of
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Notary Public
Howard County
Maryland
My Commission Expires Oct. 9, 2017