

**BEFORE THE IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION**

**FOR MEDICAL LICENSURE OF**

**SAMUEL CHINWUBA OKOYE, M.D., APPLICANT**

**FILE NO. 01-2011-0550**

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**NOTICE OF DENIAL OF LICENSURE**

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**TO: SAMUEL CHINWUBA OKOYE, M.D.**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that effective December 12, 2011, your application for a permanent Iowa medical license was **DENIED** by the Iowa Board of Medicine.

Dated: December 12, 2011

**IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**



Siroos Shirazi, M.D., Chairman  
Iowa Board of Medicine  
400 SW 8th St., Suite C  
Des Moines, IA 50309-4686

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**PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF DENIAL**

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**TO: SAMUEL CHINWUBA OKOYE, M.D.**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that on September 22, 2011, the Iowa Board of Medicine voted to issue this preliminary notice that it intends to deny your application for a permanent Iowa medical license. The preliminary notice is based upon the following:

**STATUTORY VIOLATIONS**

Pursuant to Iowa Code Section 147.4, the Board may refuse to grant a license to practice medicine upon any of the grounds for which a license may be revoked or suspended. The Board alleges you have violated the following laws or rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa:

- A. Iowa Code sections 147.55(1) and 272C.10(1) and 653 IAC 23.1(15) - Fraud in procuring an Iowa medical license. Fraud in procuring a license includes, but is not limited to, an intentional perversion of the truth in making application for a license to practice medicine, and includes false representations of material fact, whether by word or by conduct, by false or misleading allegations, or by concealment of that which should have been disclosed when making application for a license in this state, or attempting to file or filing with the board any false or forged document submitted with an application for a license in this state.
- B. Iowa Code sections 147.55(3), 148.6(2)(a) and 272C.10(3) and 653 IAC 23.1(14) - Knowingly making misleading, deceptive, untrue or fraudulent representations in the practice of medicine.

## STATEMENT OF MATTERS ASSERTED

1. On or about September 20, 2010, your privileges at Central Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, Mississippi, were summarily suspended due to concerns about your ability to provide adequate patient care including, but not limited to, the following:
  - A. Lack of attention and/or timely response to emergency department physician reports;
  - B. Failure to consistently conduct daily and timely rounds;
  - C. Failure to timely complete medical records; and
  - D. Concerns about your personal physical/mental health.

The Central Mississippi Medical Center Medical Executive Committee (MEC) required you to complete the following requirements:

- A. Timely obtain a psychological evaluation;
  - B. Timely obtain a physical evaluation;
  - C. Responding to all previous communications sent to you by the MSPI Council regarding four patient complaints;
  - D. Completing all delinquent medical records;
  - E. Writing a letter to the MEC acknowledging the validity of its concerns and providing a sufficiently detailed plan through which you would improve your care of patients; and
  - F. Meeting with Dr. Greg Oden for an Interqual Inpatient Criteria presentation.
2. Your privileges at Central Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, Mississippi, were permanently suspended due to the concerns outlined above, your failure to timely complete the requirements established by, and your failure appropriately respond to the concerns expressed by, the Central Mississippi Medical Center MEC.
3. On February 3, 2011, you submitted an application for a permanent Iowa medical license. Section 12, Question #16, on the application asks, "Aside from ordinary initial requirements of proctorship, have your clinical privileges or medical staff status at any hospital or healthcare entity, nursing facility, clinic, or other professional healthcare organization ever been limited, suspended, revoked, not renewed, voluntarily relinquished or subject to other disciplinary or probationary conditions?" You answered "No".
4. The Board alleges that you failed to report the suspension of your privileges by the Central Mississippi Medical Center MEC on your application for a permanent Iowa medical license in violation of the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa.

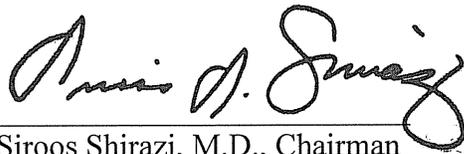
## NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS

Pursuant to the provisions of 653 IAC 9.17, you may appeal the Board's preliminary notice of denial of license by serving a request for hearing on the Board's executive director not more than thirty days from the date this notice was mailed. That notice shall contain your current address, shall specify the factual or legal errors in the Board's notice, and may provide additional written information or documents in support of licensure. The request will be deemed filed in the board office as provided in 653 IAC 9.17, a copy of which is attached.

If you do not appeal this preliminary notice of denial in accordance with 653 IAC 9.17, the preliminary notice of denial automatically becomes final within 30 days of the date of this order at that time and will be considered a public record.

Dated: September 30, 2011

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Amir A. Shirazi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'A'.

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