

**BEFORE THE IOWA BOARD OF MEDICINE**

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**IN THE MATTER OF THE STATEMENT OF CHARGES AGAINST**

**MARGARET C. SUNDERLAND, M.D., RESPONDENT**

**FILE No. 02-11-302**

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**STATEMENT OF CHARGES and SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT  
(Combined)**

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COMES NOW the Iowa Board of Medicine (Board) and Margaret C. Sunderland, M.D., (Respondent), on October 25, 2013, and pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.10(2) and 272C.3(4) and 653 IAC 25.3, enter into this combined Statement of Charges and Settlement Agreement.

**STATEMENT OF CHARGES**

1. Respondent was issued Iowa medical license no. 25591 on July 11, 1986.
2. Respondent allowed her Iowa medical license to go inactive due to nonrenewal.
3. The Board has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 147, 148 and 272C.

## COUNT I

4. **Discipline by Another Licensing Authority:** Respondent is charged pursuant to Iowa Code section 148.6(2)(d) and 653 IAC 23.1(1) with having a license to practice medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery revoked or suspended, or having other disciplinary action taken by a licensing authority of another state, territory, or country. A certified copy of the order of disciplinary action is prima facie evidence.

### STATEMENT OF THE MATTERS ASSERTED

5. Respondent is an Iowa-licensed physician who formerly practiced medicine in Oregon.

6. **Oregon Disciplinary Action:** On or about June 11, 2010, Respondent entered into an Interim Stipulated Order with the Oregon Medical Board (Oregon Board). Respondent agreed to withdraw from the practice of medicine pending conclusion of the Oregon Board's investigation of whether Respondent is able to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety due to substance abuse.

7. **Texas Disciplinary Action:** On or about August 26, 2011, Respondent entered into an Agreed Order of Temporary Suspension with the Texas Medical Board (Texas Board) based on the Oregon disciplinary action. Respondent agreed to immediately place her Texas medical license on inactive status pending an investigation of her ability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety due to substance abuse.

## SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

8. **CITATION AND WARNING:** Respondent is hereby **CITED** for being disciplined by the Oregon and Texas Medical Boards for substance abuse. Respondent is hereby **WARNED** that being disciplined by another state licensing board and/or violating the laws and rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa in the future may result in further formal disciplinary action against his Iowa medical license.

9. **NOTICE TO THE IOWA BOARD:** Respondent shall provide the Iowa Board written notice at least ninety (90) days prior to seeking reinstatement of her Iowa medical license. At which time Respondent agrees to fully comply with any additional conditions ordered by the Board which are necessary to protect the public and ensure that Respondent practices medicine with reasonable skill and safety.

10. **IOWA PHYSICIAN HEALTH PROGRAM:** Prior to seeking reinstatement of her Iowa medical license, Respondent shall enter into a Physician Health Contract with the Iowa Physician Health Program (IPHP) for substance abuse counseling and monitoring. Applicant shall fully comply with all provisions of the contract with the IPHP. In the event Respondent violates or fails to comply with any of the terms or conditions of IPHP Physician Health Contract, the Board may initiate action to suspend or revoke Respondent's Iowa medical license or to impose other license discipline as authorized in Iowa Code Chapters 148 and 272 and 653 IAC 23.

11. Respondent voluntarily submits this Order to the Board for consideration.

12. Respondent agrees that the State's counsel may present this Order to the Board for consideration.

13. Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws, and all rules governing the practice of medicine in Iowa.

14. By entering into this Order, Respondent understands that she has a right to be represented by legal counsel, voluntarily waives any rights to a contested case hearing on the allegations in the Statement of Charges, and waives any objections to the terms of this Order. This Order constitutes the resolution of a contested case proceeding.

15. Respondent understands that the Board is required by Federal law to report this Order to the National Practitioner Data Bank and Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.

16. The Order becomes a public record available for inspection and copying upon execution in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code Chapters 17A, 22 and 272C.

17. This Order is subject to approval of the Board. If the Board fails to approve this Order it shall be of no force or effect to either party.

18. The Board's approval of this Order shall constitute a **Final Order** of the Board.

Margaret Sunderland MD  
Margaret C. Sunderland, M.D., Respondent

Subscribed and sworn before me on Sept. 10, 2013.

Notary Public, State of Illinois.

Dawn V Stone



This Order is approved by the Board on October 25, 2013.

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