

STATE OF VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE

In re: Roger J. Giroux , M.D.

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MPSL 4-0408

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER

Approving physician's request for relief of conditions

Please take notice that an Order was issued and entered by the Vermont Board of Medical Practice on April 1, 2009, approving Respondent's request for relief of conditions on his physician license by a Stipulation and Agreement effective April 2, 2008. The relief from conditions is effective April 1, 2009, leaving respondent with a full, unconditional license.

Dated: April 1, 2009

William E. Wargo
Director
Board of Medical Practice

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STATE'S RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR RELIEF FROM CONDITIONS OF LICENSURE

The State of Vermont, by and through Attorney General William H. Sorrell and undersigned Assistant Attorney General, James S. Arisman, files this response to the petition of Roger J. Giroux, M.D., for relief from the current conditions upon his Vermont medical license.

1. Roger J. Giroux, M.D., a family practice physician, returned to practice in Vermont in 2008, pursuant to a joint plan for reentry to practice following an interruption of approximately 10 years.

2. Dr. Giroux entered into and complied fully with a detailed, structured plan for monitoring and updating his fund of knowledge and retraining, as set forth in his March 2008 Stipulation and Agreement with the Board of Medical Practice. The Board of Medical Practice in 2008 granted reinstatement of Dr. Giroux's Vermont medical license, subject to conditions relating to Respondent's reentry to practice, retraining, and resumption of patient care. These conditions included the observed care of patients, to be provided by Dr. Giroux, while under supervision and monitoring in clinic(s) affiliated with Fletcher Allen Health Care (FAHC).

3. During the pendency of his agreement with the Board of Medical Practice, Dr. Giroux adhered to all conditions on his license. All documentation regarding his retraining, practice activities, skills, and knowledge was received. All assessments from supervising physicians were highly favorable.

4. Dr. Giroux, by letter dated March 20, 2009, petitioned for relief from his conditions of licensure. In 2008, Dr. Giroux opened a family care clinic in Hinesburg. He practiced at that site under the supervisory terms of his agreement with the Board. All reporting to the Board regarding Dr. Giroux's care of patients in this clinical setting has been highly favorable.

5. Dr. Giroux has expressly assured that he will continue to maintain a supervisory relationship in his practice, with quarterly reporting to the Board, for at least the remainder of calendar year 2009.

6. Dr. Giroux believes the present conditions on his Vermont medical license are now redundant and unnecessary. He believes that his possession of an unrestricted medical license in Vermont will enable him to renew his American Board of Family Practice (ABFP) certification. He wishes to immediately pursue ABFP recertification.

7. The Board's South Investigative Committee, to which this matter has been assigned for monitoring purposes, has reviewed the record in this matter. The most recent supervisory report fully supports, without qualification, the removal of the present conditions on Dr. Giroux's Vermont medical license.

8. Upon review and consideration, the South Investigative Committee has agreed to recommend termination of the conditions on Dr. Giroux's Vermont medical license, as imposed by his 2008 Stipulation and Agreement with the Board of Medical Practice. Under that agreement, Dr. Giroux is eligible to petition for removal of the conditions on his Vermont medical license.

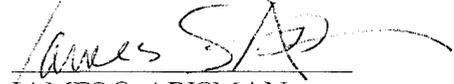
9. The State of Vermont concurs in the above recommendation by the South Investigative Committee.

For the reasons set forth above, the State of Vermont respectfully requests that the Board of Medical Practice approve Dr. Giroux's petition and enter an order terminating the conditions previously imposed upon his Vermont medical license.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 25th day of March 2009.

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