

BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

In the Matter of

**PHILLIP T. RAJADAS, M.D.**

Holder of License No. **43411**  
For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine

In the State of Arizona.

**Case No: MD-13-0885A**

**INTERIM FINDINGS OF FACT,  
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND ORDER  
FOR SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF  
LICENSE**

**INTRODUCTION**

The above-captioned matter came on for discussion before the Arizona Medical Board ("Board") at an emergency Board meeting on May 12, 2014. After reviewing relevant information and deliberating, the Board voted to consider proceedings for a summary action against Phillip T. Rajadas, M.D. ("Respondent"). Having considered the information in the matter and being fully advised, the Board enters the following Interim Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order for Summary Suspension of License, pending formal hearings or other Board action. A.R.S. § 32-1451(D).

**INTERIM FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
2. Respondent is the holder of License No. 43411 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona
3. The Board initiated case number MD-13-0885A after Respondent self-reported that the Colorado Medical Board suspended his Colorado medical license.
4. On June 25, 2013, the Colorado Medical Board suspended Respondent's medical license. The matter stemmed from an investigation into Respondent's care and treatment of a 24 year-old male patient. The Colorado Medical Board found that Respondent inappropriately continued to write narcotic prescriptions for the patient

1 despite the patient's demonstrated signs of drug addiction. The patient died of a third drug  
2 overdose.

3 5. On October 20, 2013, Board staff obtained a Controlled Substance  
4 Prescription Monitoring Program report and discovered that Respondent has been  
5 prescribing controlled medications to patients in Arizona since January of 2013.  
6 Respondent told Board staff that he has a clinic in Arizona and that he has only had about  
7 five patient encounters.

8 6. In November of 2013, Respondent was issued a Stipulated Order and Five  
9 Year Probation ("Colorado Order") by the Colorado Medical Board. Pursuant to the  
10 Colorado Order, Respondent was required to undergo a competence assessment with  
11 the Center for Personalized Education for Physicians ("CPEP") and to comply with any  
12 recommendations. Respondent was further ordered to successfully complete continuing  
13 medical education ("CME") in prescribing controlled substances. The Colorado Order  
14 additionally required Respondent to obtain a practice monitor for a period of three years.  
15 The practice monitor was responsible for visiting his offices monthly and complete  
16 random chart reviews.

17 7. Respondent has failed to comply with the Colorado Order. As a result, on  
18 April 21, 2014, the Colorado Medical Board suspended Respondent's license to practice  
19 medicine.  
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### 21 **INTERIM CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

22 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over  
23 Respondent, holder of License No. 43411 for the practice of allopathic medicine in the  
24 State of Arizona.  
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1 medicine in the State of Arizona and is prohibited from prescribing any form of treatment  
2 including prescription medications or injections of any kind.

3 2. The Interim Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law constitute written notice  
4 to Respondent of the charges of unprofessional conduct made by the Board against him.  
5 Respondent is entitled to a formal hearing to defend these charges as expeditiously as  
6 possible after the issuance of this order.

7 3. The Board's Executive Director is instructed to refer this matter to the Office  
8 of Administrative Hearings for scheduling of an administrative hearing to be commenced  
9 as expeditiously as possible from the date of the issuance of this order, unless stipulated  
10 and agreed otherwise by Respondent.

11 DATED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

12 ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

13 By: C. Lloyd Vest, II

14 C. Lloyd Vest, II  
15 Executive Director

16 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this  
17 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014, with:

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