



Summary of Alternative Dispute Resolution Settlement Agreement

**IN THE MATTER OF: Dr. Samuel Simonson, Postgraduate Resident
No Fixed Practice Address**

Dr. Samuel Simonson held a postgraduate training program licence issued by the College pursuant to the *Medical Act, 2011* during the time period of July 1, 2023 to August 29, 2023.

On September 8, 2023, the College received reports from Dr. Simonson's preceptor and from the Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University. These reports detailed that Dr. Simonson failed to conduct physical examinations on patients seen during his residency training program and that he documented the completion and results of examinations which were not completed. Four affected patients were initially identified, with two additional patients identified at a later date. All clinical encounters occurred during the time period of July 10, 2023 to August 25, 2023.

Following an investigation, the Complaints Authorization Committee of the College referred the allegation back to the Registrar for Alternative Dispute Resolution in accordance with s. 44(1)(a) of the *Medical Act, 2011*.

Dr. Simonson admitted that his actions demonstrated that he failed to apply and maintain standards of practice expected by the profession in the branches or areas of medicine in which he was practicing and that he falsified records relating to his medical practice. Dr. Simonson acknowledged that his actions amounted to "professional misconduct", as defined in s. 2(6) and 2(24) of the College's *By-Law 5: Code of Ethics*.

Dr. Simonson and the College agreed to a disposition of the allegation which included the following:

1. The College reprimanded Dr. Simonson for his admitted professional misconduct.
2. Prior to applying for re-entry into the practice of medicine under the jurisdiction of the College, Dr. Simonson will successfully complete a course in medical ethics and professionalism.

3. If a future licence is issued to Dr. Simonson by the College, it will include a restriction that Dr. Simonson will be subject to oversight and/or direct supervision of his practice to the satisfaction of the College's Quality Assurance Committee.
4. The College will publish this summary on its website.

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