



Summary of Alternative Dispute Resolution Settlement Agreement

IN THE MATTER OF: Dr. Christina Templeton, Pediatrics and Pediatric Cardiology
Practice Address: Janeway Children's Health and Rehabilitation Centre,
St. John's, NL

Dr. Christina Templeton is a medical practitioner licensed pursuant to the *Medical Act, 2011* to practice in the areas of pediatrics and pediatric cardiology.

On April 8, 2022, the Registrar of the College received a copy of correspondence from the Vice President of Medical Services for the Eastern Regional Health Authority, regarding the professional conduct of Dr. Templeton. The Registrar of the College filed an allegation against Dr. Templeton in relation to a report of the Eastern Regional Health Authority that she failed to provide consistent diagnostic reporting resulting in a large number of unreported diagnostic tests. On August 17, 2022, Dr. Templeton voluntarily withdrew from the practice of medicine.

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. Templeton admitted that she failed to report on Echo, EKG and Holter studies and that she failed to record any clinical information in a number of charts. Dr. Templeton acknowledged that her behavior constituted conduct deserving of sanction. In particular, she acknowledged that her care of these patients lacked skill or judgment, of a nature or to an extent that her practice should be restricted, pursuant to s. 4(1) of the College's *By-Law 5: Code of Ethics*.

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

1. Dr. Templeton will be referred to the Quality Assurance Committee of the College.
2. Dr. Templeton will only be permitted to return to the practice of medicine as the most responsible physician if she successfully completes an assessment of her knowledge, skills, and judgement by an assessor(s) deemed acceptable to the College.
3. If Dr. Templeton demonstrates that she has the requisite knowledge, skills, and judgment to return to the practice of medicine as the most responsible physician, Dr. Templeton's licence to practice medicine will contain a condition that she must be under oversight for a period of 12 months.

4. This summary will be posted on the College website.

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