

Summary of Alternative Dispute Resolution

Settlement Agreement

IN THE MATTER OF: Dr. Scott Wilson, Family Medicine Practice Address: Health Sciences Centre, St. John's, NL

Dr. Scott Wilson is a medical practitioner licensed pursuant to the *Medical Act, 2011* to practice family medicine.

On April 19, 2023, the College received an allegation from a former patient of Dr. Wilson (the "Patient"). In this allegation, the Patient detailed that she had a clinical interaction with Dr. Wilson at the Health Sciences Centre emergency department in St. John's wherein he did not disclose his identity or role in her care. The Patient also detailed that Dr. Wilson did not obtain her express consent prior to performing a sensitive examination, nor before disrobing the patient for the purpose of performing this examination and did not provide a gown or drape or offer to have a chaperone present for the examination.

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. Wilson 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. Dr. Wilson acknowledged that his actions amounted to "professional misconduct", as defined in s. 2(6) of the College's *By-Law 5: Code of Ethics*.

Dr. Wilson, the Patient, and the College agreed to a disposition of the allegation which included the following:

- 1. The College reprimanded Dr. Wilson for his admitted professional misconduct.
- 2. Dr. Wilson will review and agree to comply with the expectations of the College as set out in the following documents:
 - i. College Standard of Practice: Physical Examinations (2021)
 - ii. College Standard of Practice Chaperones (2021)
 - iii. College Standard of Practice Consent to Treatment (2019)
 - iv. Canadian Medical Association Code of Ethics and Professionalism (2018)
- 3. Dr. Wilson will complete a course on successful patient interactions.

- 4. Dr. Wilson will provide a written apology to the Patient.
- 5. The College will publish this summary on its website.

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