



Dr. Svitlana ZIARKO

Charges

Date Charge(s) Laid:	January 29, 2022
Hearing:	June 17, 2022
Charge(s):	Unprofessional Conduct; Billing, Improper; Standards of Practice; Failure to meet
Outcome Date:	June 17, 2022

The Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons directs that, pursuant to section 47.6 of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981*, the Discipline Committee hear the following charges against Dr. Svitlana Ziarko, namely:

1. You Dr. Svitlana Ziarko are guilty of unbecoming, improper, unprofessional, or discreditable conduct contrary to the provisions of section 46(o) and/or section 46(p) of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981, S.S. 1980-81, c. M-10.1*, and/or bylaw 8.1(b)(ix) of the Regulatory Bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan in relation to your care of a patient referred to in this charge as "Patient Number 1".

The evidence that will be led in support of this charge will include one or more of the following:

- a) In July of 2017 you treated Patient Number 1.
- b) You treated Patient Number 1 for a suspected basal cell carcinoma.
- c) You provided laser treatment to Patient Number 1.
- d) You failed to send samples of Patient Number 1's lesion for examination by histology.

2. You Dr. Svitlana Ziarko are guilty of unbecoming, improper, unprofessional, or discreditable conduct contrary to the provisions of section 46(o) and/or section 46(p) of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981* and/or bylaw 7.2(bb) of the bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan in relation to billing for laboratory services (payment codes 59V and 62V).

The evidence that will be led in support of this charge will include some or all of the following:

- a) During the period of June 2016 to December 2018 you failed to take reasonable care to ensure that your claims for payment for professional services in relation to your billings to Medical Services Branch for testing (Code 59V) and (Code 62V) were consistent with the payment schedule for insured services.

3. You Dr. Svitlana Ziarko are guilty of unbecoming, improper, unprofessional, or discreditable conduct contrary to the provisions of section 46(o) and/or section 46(p) of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981* and/or bylaw 7.2(bb) of the bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan in relation to billing for virtual visits (Code 510A).

The evidence that will be led in support of this charge will include one or more of the following:

- a) You failed to take reasonable care to ensure that your claims for payment for professional services were consistent with the payment schedule for insured services.