



Dr. Thomas David CONEYS

Council Decision

Date Charge(s) Laid:	November 10, 2020
Outcome Date:	November 20, 2020
Hearing:	Not Required
Disposition:	Reprimand, Undertaking

The Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons imposes the following penalty on Dr. Thomas David Coneys pursuant to the *The Medical Profession Act, 1981*:

- 1) Pursuant to Section 54(1)(b) of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981*, the Council hereby reprimands Dr. Coneys. The format of that reprimand will be a written reprimand;
- 2) Pursuant to Section 54(1)(g) of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981*, the Council directs that Dr. Coneys sign an undertaking stating that he contact the Physician Health Program of the Saskatchewan Medical Association and follow all recommendations from that program.
- 3) Pursuant to Section 54(1)(g) of *The Medical Profession Act, 1981* the Council directs Dr. Coneys to sign an undertaking that he continue with any treatment he may be receiving from a psychiatrist or counsellor.



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25 January, 2021

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Dear Dr. Coneys:

On November 20, 2020, the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan accepted your admission of guilt to charges of misconduct. Following deliberation, penalty was determined based on the joint recommendation presented on your behalf by counsel for yourself, and the College. One component of that penalty was an official reprimand by the Council.

You, Dr. T. Coneys, having been found guilty of professional misconduct while practicing medicine in the province of Saskatchewan are hereby reprimanded by the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

The events of October 19, 2019 are deeply disturbing. You uttered words and acted in a way that was perceived as threatening to your partner. This resulted in you being criminally charged and convicted by the Provincial Court of Saskatchewan.

One of the most important statutory functions of Council is the protection of the public. One of the ways Council achieves this end is to ensure that its members maintain a high standard of ethical and professional behaviour at all times either in or out of clinical encounters. Your actions fell below that standard. Council therefore considers your action grievous and unacceptable.

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Council considered and agreed with the mitigating factors put forward by your counsel. Council recognizes that this was an isolated incident in your more than four decades of practice in Saskatchewan; that you accepted full responsibility for your actions and pled guilty for your conduct at the earliest opportunity. Council also accepted that you have taken steps to ensure this incident does not reoccur.

It is the hope of Council that you will reflect and learn from this experience. It is also Council's expectation that you will not allow this blemish on your career to deter you from maintaining the utmost professional and ethical standards going forward.

Council of The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan