

College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan



Dr. Susan BELL

Charges

Date Charge(s) Laid: Hearing: Charge(s): October 4, 2016 Completed Unprofessional Conduct

1. You Dr. Susan Bell 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 18.1 and/or bylaw 16.1 and/or bylaw 16.2 of the bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

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

- a) By letter dated January 25, 2016, the Prescription Review Program wrote to you and asked you to confirm that the prescriptions on the profile attributed to you had been written by you;
- b) By letter dated January 25, 2016 the Prescription Review Program asked you to provide the latest three urine drug screening records;
- c) You did not respond to the requests made to you in the letter dated January 25, 2016;
- d) By letter dated February 25, 2016, The Prescription Review Program wrote to you and asked for the information requested in the letter to you dated January 25, 2016;
- e) You did not respond to the request made to you in the letter dated February 25, 2016;
- f) On or about March 16, 2016 the Prescription Review Program sent an email to you which stated: "The Prescription Review Program sent letters dated January 25 and February 25 for the following patient: It appears I have not received your reply. Did you receive these letters?"
- q) You did not respond to the email sent on or about March 16, 2016;
- h) On or about May 19, 2016, Dr. Micheal Howard-Tripp, the deputy Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, spoke to you and asked you to provide the information which had been requested by the Prescription Review Program;
- In the conversation of on or about May 19, 2016 you stated that you would attend to the request by the Prescription Review Program immediately, or made a statement to similar effect;
- you did not provide the information requested by the Prescription Review Program as you told Dr. Howard-Tripp you would;
- k) On or about June 20, 2016, Dr. Micheal Howard-Tripp, the deputy Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, spoke to you and asked you to provide the information which had been requested by the Prescription Review Program;

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- In the conversation of on or about June 20, 2016, you stated that you would attend to the request by the Prescription Review Program immediately, or made a statement to similar effect;
- m) You did not provide the information requested by the Prescription Review Program as you told Dr. Howard-Tripp you would;
- n) On or about July 29, 2016, Dr. Micheal Howard-Tripp, the deputy Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons wrote to you and asked you to provide the information which had been requested by the Prescription Review Program;
- You did not respond to the letter from Dr. Howard-Tripp sent to you on or about July 29, 2016, nor did you provide the information which had been requested by the Prescription Review Program.

The Executive Committee 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 charge against Dr. Susan Bell, namely:

 You Dr. Susan Bell 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), and/or bylaw 8.1(b)(xii) of the bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

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

- a) By letter dated January 29, 2016, Mr. Ivan Ng, of Child and Family Programs, Regina, Saskatchewan asked you to provide records with regards to the health history of an individual referred to in this charge as Patient Number 1;
- b) By letter dated January 29, 2016, Mr. Ivan Ng, of Child and Family Programs, Regina, Saskatchewan asked you to provide records with regards to the health history of an individual referred to in this charge as Patient Number 2;
- c) By letter dated January 29, 2016, Mr. Ivan Ng, of Child and Family Programs, Regina, Saskatchewan asked you to provide records with regards to the health history of an individual referred to in this charge as Patient Number 3;
- d) The records for Patient 1, Patient 2 and Patient 3 were required for the purpose of a potential adoption of one or more of these children;
- e) You did not respond to any of the three letters dated January 29, 2016;
- f) On or about February 17, 2016, Mr. Ng sent a follow up to you requesting the records with respect to Patient 1, Patient 2 and Patient 3;
- g) You did not respond to the communication from Mr. Ng on or about February 17, 2016;
- h) On or about February 29, 2016, Mr. Ng sent a follow up to you requesting the records with respect to Patient 1, Patient 2 and Patient 3;
- i) You did not respond to the communication from Mr. Ng on or about February 29, 2016;
- j) On or about March 21, 2016 Mr. Ng called your clinic asking about his request for the records with respect to Patient 1, Patient 2 and Patient 3;
- k) You did not respond to the communication from Mr. Ng on or about March 21, 2016;

- I) On or about April 29, 2016 Mr. Ng called your clinic asking about his request for the records with respect to Patient 1, Patient 2 and Patient 3;
- m) You did not respond to the communication from Mr. Ng on or about April 29, 2016;
- n) On or about May 25, 2016, Mr. Ng sent a follow up to you requesting the records with respect to Patient 1, Patient 2 and Patient 3;
- o) You did not respond to the communication from Mr. Ng on or about May 25, 2016;
- p) On or about June 2, 2016, Ms. Leslie Frey of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan called your office and spoke to a member of your staff to discuss your failure to provide the requested records to Mr. Ng;
- q) On or about July 17, 2016, Ms. Leslie Frey of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan spoke to you to discuss your failure to provide the requested records to Mr. Ng;
- r) On or about August 2, 2016, Ms. Leslie Frey of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan called your office left a message on the answering machine for your office related to your failure to provide the requested records to Mr. Ng. Ms. Frey asked you to return her telephone call;
- s) You did not return Ms. Frey's call on or about August 2, 2016;
- t) You did not provide the patient records for Patient 1 within a reasonable time;
- u) You did not provide the patient records for Patient 2 within a reasonable time;
- v) You did not provide the patient records for Patient 3 within a reasonable time.