



Dr. Pierre HUGO

Charges

Date Charge(s) Laid:	March 13, 2017
Hearing:	March 25, 2017
Charge(s):	Unprofessional Conduct - Improper Prescribing
Outcome Date:	March 25, 2017

You Dr. Pierre Hugo 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 bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

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

- a) You failed to maintain the standard of practice of the medical profession in relation to your prescribing of Prescription Review Program medications (hereafter referred to in this charge as PRP medications);
- b) The patient or patients with respect to whom you failed to maintain the standards of the medical profession in relation to your prescribing of PRP medications are the following:
 - i. K.B.
 - ii. S.K.
 - iii. S.M.
 - iv. D.T.
 - v. C.A.
 - vi. W.B.
 - vii. F.K.
 - viii. R.N.
 - ix. G.B.
 - x. G.W.

- c) With respect to one or more of these patients, you received information from the Prescription Review Program of the College of Physicians and Surgeons (hereafter referred to as the PRP program);
- d) The information which you received from the PRP program included concerns about the PRP medications that you had prescribed;
- e) The information which you received from the PRP program included concerns about the patients to whom you had prescribed PRP medications;
- f) The information which the PRP program provided to you included information that one or more of these patients may have been engaged in trafficking in PRP medications;
- g) The information which you received from the PRP program included information that one or more of these patients had received prescriptions for PRP medications from other physicians;
- h) You failed to appropriately modify your prescribing of PRP medications after receiving information from the PRP program;
- i) You continued to prescribe PRP medications one or more of these patients after having been advised that your patient(s) had received prescriptions for PRP medications from another prescriber;
- j) You continued to prescribe PRP medications after having been advised that there was information that one or more of these patients were trafficking in PRP medications;
- k) You continued to prescribe PRP medications after having been advised that one or more of these patients was not taking the PRP medications as directed;
- l) You continued to prescribe PRP medications when one or more of these patients' urine drug screens indicated that they were not taking the medications that you had prescribed;
- m) You continued to prescribe PRP medications when one or more of these patients' urine drug screens indicated that they were taking substances including THC or cocaine which you had not prescribed;
- n) You continued to prescribe PRP medications when one or more of these patients' urine drug screens indicated that they were taking PRP medications which you had not prescribed;
- o) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients without performing an appropriate assessment for possible substance abuse;
- p) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more patients who were, or had been, receiving methadone treatment for opioid dependency;

- q) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients for whom there was information that the patient(s) were, or had been, addicted to PRP medications;
- r) You prescribed PRP medications prior to the date that one or more of these patients would have used those medications as prescribed (“early refills”);
- s) You prescribed benzodiazepines one or more of these patients for long-term use;
- t) You prescribed more than one benzodiazepine to one or more of these patients during the same time period;
- u) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients without obtaining a written agreement from the patient(s) related to the use of those medications;
- v) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients which in quantities, dosages or combination failed to meet the standards of the medical profession;
- w) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients that were inappropriate for the conditions with which the patient(s) had been diagnosed;
- x) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients without performing an appropriate assessment;
- y) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients after those patient(s) failed to comply with a referral you made to another physician for assessment;
- z) You continued to prescribe PRP medications to one or more of these patients after receiving recommendations from other physicians that recommended against continued prescribing of PRP medications;
 - aa) You prescribed immediate release PRP medications to one or more of these patients in circumstances when the standards of the profession required that extended-release PRP medications be prescribed;
 - bb) You prescribed PRP medications for one or more of these patients who had not been recently taking PRP medications in dosages which were excessive for a patient who had not been recently taking those PRP medications;
 - cc) You prescribed PRP medications to one or more of these patients without appropriately charting the rationale for doing so.