



## Dr. Ronald KATZ

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### Council Decision

<b>Date Charge(s) Laid:</b>	December 10, 2019
<b>Outcome Date:</b>	March 20, 2020
<b>Hearing:</b>	March 20, 2020
<b>Disposition:</b>	Reprimand, Costs, Ethics Course

The Council accepted a joint recommendation for the penalty to be imposed by Council following Dr. Katz' admission of unprofessional conduct.

The Council adopted the following resolution:

The Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons imposes the following penalty on Dr. Ronald Katz pursuant to *The Medical Profession Act, 1981* (the "Act"):

- 1) Pursuant to Section 54(1)(b) of The Medical Profession Act, 1981, the Council hereby reprimands Dr. Katz. The format of that reprimand will in written and verbal format. Dr. Katz is required to appear before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Council to be present to have the reprimand administered in person;
- 2) Pursuant to section 54(1)(g) of the Act, Council requires that Dr. Katz successfully complete an ethics course on professionalism to the satisfaction of the Registrar. Such course shall be completed at the first available date. The programs "Medical Ethics, Boundaries and Professionalism" by Case Western Reserve University, "Probe Program" by CPEP and "Medical Ethics and Professionalism" by Professional Boundaries Inc., are ethics programs acceptable to the Registrar.
- 3) Pursuant to section 54(1)(i) of the Act, the Council directs Dr. Katz to pay the costs of and incidental to the investigation and hearing in the amount of \$720.00. Such payment shall be made in full by April 20, 2020.



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REGISTRAR  
KAREN SHAW, M.D.

22 June, 2020

Dr. R. Katz

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Dear Dr. Katz;

On March 12, 2020, after being charged with unprofessional conduct by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan, you signed an admission of guilt to the charges. Subsequent to your admission of guilt, the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan considered a joint recommendation for penalty. One component of that joint recommendation was a reprimand from the Council.

***You, Dr. Ronald Katz 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 charge that you admitted was:

*You Dr. Ronald Katz 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 7.1(b) particulars whereof are that you treated a member of your immediate family by prescribing Demerol, when such treatment did not meet the conditions of paragraph 20 of the Code of Ethics.*

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***To serve the public by regulating the practice of medicine  
and guiding the profession to achieve the highest standards of care***

Despite the fact that you were made aware, in writing, of the expectations in the Code of Ethics related to the treatment of family members, you ignored the recommendation and advice, and persisted in violating the Code of Ethics by continuing to prescribe narcotics inappropriately to your family member.

Our profession expects a high standard of professionalism and responsibility as set out by the Code of Ethics, and the Council and the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan holds every single member to that standard.

Council recommends that you reflect on your actions, and use that as a reminder to not engage in the type of practice that brings shame to both yourself as a medical practitioner, and to our profession.

Sincerely,

The Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.