

The Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons directs that, pursuant to section 47.5 of The Medical Profession Act, 1981, the Discipline Committee hear the following charges against Dr. Bruce Zimmermann, namely:

1. You Dr. Bruce Zimmermann 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 44 and paragraph 18 of the Code of Ethics and/or bylaw 51(2)(j) of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

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

- (a) On or about the 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008, a child, identified in this charge by the initials C.H. was brought to the Emergency Room at the Indian Head Hospital;
- (b) C.H.'s medical conditions included a congenital heart defect;
- (c) You provided medical care to C.H. approximately one week prior to April 30, 2008;
- (d) C.H.'s symptoms while at the Emergency Room of the Indian Head Hospital included one or more of shortness of breath, tachypnea substernal indrawing and tachycardia;
- (e) You were contacted by a nurse from the Indian Head Hospital who stated her opinion that C.H.'s condition warranted the attendance of a doctor;
- (f) You did not attend promptly at the Indian Head Hospital;
- (g) C.H. was kept waiting at the hospital for a longer period of time than should reasonably have been expected for treatment of his medical condition;
- (h) You accepted payment for being on-call at the Indian Head Hospital on April 30, 2008.

2. You Dr. Bruce Zimmermann 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 44 and paragraph 18 of the Code of Ethics and/or bylaw 51(2)(j) of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

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

- (a) On or about the 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2008, a patient, identified in this charge by the initials N.H. came to the Emergency Room at the Indian Head Hospital;
- (b) N.H. was your patient;
- (c) N.H. had co-morbid conditions which included one or more of mixed connective tissue disease, mitral valve replacement, chronic renal failure, scoliosis, polymyalgia, scleroderma and progressive muscle weakness.
- (d) A nurse at Indian Head Hospital telephoned you to advise you of the patient's condition;
- (e) You advised the nurse that you would not attend at the hospital to see N.H.;

- (f) A nurse at Indian Head Hospital subsequently attempted to contact you on your cellular telephone, but you did not answer your telephone;
  - (g) You accepted payment for being on-call at the Indian Head Hospital on April 25, 2008.
3. You Dr. Bruce Zimmermann 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 44 and paragraph 18 of the Code of Ethics and/or bylaw 51(2)(j) of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

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

- (a) On or about the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2008, a patient, identified in this charge by the initials A.R. came to the Emergency Room at the Indian Head Hospital with a nose bleed;
  - (b) You had previously provided medical treatment to A.R.;
  - (c) A nurse at the Indian Head Hospital contacted you and advised you that she was unable to control his nose bleed;
  - (d) A nurse at the Indian Head Hospital advised you that the patient was receiving Warfarin;
  - (e) You refused to attend at Indian Head Hospital to see A.R.;
  - (f) You failed to order tests such as INR or hemoglobin to assess A.R.'s medical condition;
  - (g) You accepted payment for being on-call at the Indian Head Hospital on March 11, 2008.
4. You Dr. Bruce Zimmermann 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 44 and paragraph 20 of the Code of Ethics and/or bylaw 51(2)(h) of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

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

- (a) On or about the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2007 you presented at the Indian Head Hospital;
  - (b) You ordered administration of Buscopan intravenously for yourself;
  - (c) You ordered administration of Gravol intravenously for yourself;
  - (d) You remained on call at the Indian Head Hospital during the period of your illness and treatment;
  - (e) You provided care to patients in the period surrounding your illness and treatment.
5. You Dr. Bruce Zimmermann 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 44 and paragraph 20 of the Code of Ethics and/or bylaw 51(2)(h) of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

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

- (a) On or about the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2008 you presented at the Indian Head Hospital;
- (b) You ordered administration of Buscopan intravenously for yourself;
- (c) You ordered administration of Gravol intravenously for yourself;
- (d) You remained on call at the Indian Head Hospital during the period of your illness and treatment;
- (e) You provided care to patients in the period surrounding your illness and treatment.