



## Public Notification

### **Dr. Julie Moore, ND**

Date of action: October 1, 2013

Description of action taken:

The Inquiry Committee of the College of Naturopathic Physicians of British Columbia (the “College”) has entered into a Consent Order with the Dr. Julie Moore, (“the Registrant”), license # 330, under sections 33(6) and 36(1)(b), (c), and (d) of the *Health Professions Act*, RSBC 1996, c 183 (the “Act”).

Dr. Moore admitted and undertook not to repeat the conduct of:

- 1) writing an initial prescription without an in-person consultation with the patient;
- 2) prescribing drugs without an appropriate history, physical examination, and/or appropriate laboratory work;
- 3) failing to maintain accurate and complete clinical records in relation to her practice;
- 4) issuing prescription and/or prescription renewal without proper ongoing laboratory and/or other testing and monitoring;
- 5) prescribing drugs excluded from use by naturopathic physicians; and
- 6) improperly recommending the prescriptions of federal controlled substances by a third party.

Dr. Moore consented to the continued, permanent imposition of the following limits and conditions, previously ordered by the Committee under section 35 of the *Act*, upon her licence to practice naturopathic medicine:

- 1) Dr. Moore must not write an initial prescription without an in-person consultation with the patient
- 2) Dr. Moore must not prescribe drugs without an appropriate history, physical examination, and/or appropriate laboratory work; and
- 3) Dr. Moore must not issue prescriptions or prescription renewals without proper laboratory and other monitoring.

Dr. Moore consented to the imposition of the following further limits and conditions upon her licence to practice naturopathic medicine:

- 1) she must maintain accurate and complete clinical records in relation to her practice; she must not prescribe drugs excluded from use by naturopathic physicians; and
- 2) she must not improperly recommend the prescription by a third party of any federally controlled substance.

Dr. Moore also consented and undertook to:

- 1) complete a course of stress, time, and boundary management counselling within six calendar months following the date of the agreement;
- 2) enter into a mentor-mentee relationship with a senior naturopathic doctor in order to review challenging or complex cases and/or discuss other difficulties and challenges of the practice of naturopathic medicine, for the duration of one year after the date of the agreement;
- 3) present a case at each of the 12 case conferences held at the Sage Clinic in Vancouver within one year of the date of the agreement; and
- 4) cooperate with random spot audits of her clinical records by an Inspector appointed by the Committee, at any time during the two year period following the date of the agreement, so that the Committee may ensure that she is meeting the required standard of practice.

Dr. Moore consented to be reprimanded for failure to maintain the standard of practice for the profession in relation to:

- 1) prescription of drugs to patients without an in-person consultation;
- 2) prescription of drugs to patients without first taking an appropriate history, performing a physical examination, and/or performing or obtaining appropriate laboratory or other testing;
- 3) failure to maintain accurate and complete clinical records in relation to her practice;  
issuance of prescriptions and/or prescription renewals without proper ongoing laboratory and/or other testing and monitoring;
- 4) prescription of drugs excluded from use by naturopathic physicians; and
- 5) improper recommendation of the prescription of federally controlled substances by a third party.

Reasons for action taken:

The Committee determined, under section 33(6)(c) of the *Act*, that this would be an appropriate case in which to seek a consent order under section 36(1) of the *Act* with comprehensive terms to address Dr. Moore's failure to meet the standards of practice of the profession because:

- 1) Dr. Moore admitted to the conduct at issue, acknowledged its seriousness, and indicated that she wished to take responsibility for it;
- 2) Dr. Moore was willing to take rehabilitative action to raise her standard of practice to the requisite level and ensure that the conduct admitted would not be repeated in the future; and
- 3) the Committee's mandate to protect the public safety could be met by monitoring Dr. Moore's clinical records.

This Notice replaces the Interim Action under section 35 of the *Act*, regarding Dr. Moore dated June 2013, below.