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RE: Dr. Jim Sahota - Section 36

Under section 36 of the Health Professions Act, Dr. Jim Sahota admitted he

- (1) entered into an office sharing arrangement that violated the requirements of the Professional Conduct Handbook (the "PCH"), including by not filing an Office Sharing Application,
- (2) permitted treatment to be performed by an unlicensed health care provider who was not under his direct supervision,
- (3) failed to record or directly oversee the recording of the history taken from and the examinations, investigations and treatment conducted on the patient, and
- (4) failed to properly monitor the billing of the patient, with the result that
 - (a) to enhance the likelihood of extended health insurance coverage, treatment was billed as "chiropractic" services when he had not examined, assessed, diagnosed or treated the patient, and
 - (b) it was represented to the patient that fees charged for treatment were mandated or sanctioned by the CCBC.

Based on these admissions, Dr. Sahota agreed to an Undertaking and Consent with the following terms:

- (1) a reprimand for professional misconduct;
- (2) an undertaking that, going forward, he will comply with the requirements for office sharing, delegation of treatment, record keeping and billing documentation;
- (3) suspension for 1 month, but with 3 weeks of that suspension to be stayed provided the balance of the consent terms are met:
- (4) within 60 days, complete a course on professional ethics as determined by the Registrar; and
- (5) pay a fine of \$2,500 and costs of \$1,500.