

BEFORE THE  
BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS  
STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of

LYNN HAKALA, D.C.,  
License No.: 2719

Case # 2003 - 5004

TEMPORARY STIPULATED ORDER

The Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners (hereafter "Board") is the state agency responsible for licensing, regulating and disciplining chiropractic physicians in the State of Oregon. Lynn Hakala, D.C. (hereafter "Licensee"), is currently licensed by the Board to practice as a chiropractic physician in Oregon and is subject to the jurisdiction of the OBCE.

1.

It is alleged from 1999 to 2004 Licensee engaged in alcohol consumption that escalated and became alcohol abuse. That abuse of alcohol has interfered with Licensee's ability to serve her patients in a safe and competent manner and is prohibiting her from the performance of her professional duties. Licensee took steps of her own volition to address this problem with the Board. In a board interview, Licensee admitted to an alcohol problem and agreed to admit herself into a residential program at Providence Medical Center. At the present time, Licensee is participating in an outpatient treatment program at Providence Medical Center.

2.

The allegations include habitual intemperance in the use of intoxicants to such extent as to incapacitate the person from the performance of professional. If proven, these would be violations of ORS 684.100(1)(f) and, OAR 811-035-0015 (13). The Board received information from the Licensee herself that she had an alcohol problem and that it was interfering with her professional work. Licensee also indicated that she was going to seek treatment for her abuse problems.

3.

In order to address the Board's concerns, Licensee and the Board agree to the entry of this Temporary Stipulated Order, which provides that Licensee shall comply with the following conditions:

- 1) Licensee agrees to voluntarily withdraw from active practice of Chiropractic pending further order of this board. This means that licensee will not provide any chiropractic

treatment to any patients and will not practice chiropractic in any way during this time period.

- 2) Licensee shall undergo an evaluation by a Board approved addictionologist or treatment center within 30 days of the effective date of the order and make the written evaluation and treatment recommendations available to the Board. If recommended by evaluators, Licensee will remain in treatment for addiction as dictated by the facility and as approved by the Board.
- 3) Licensee shall adhere to and participate in and complete all aspects of any and all residential care programs, or recovery treatment plans.
- 4) Licensee shall advise the Board, in writing, of any change or alteration to any residential or treatment programs 14 days before the change goes into effect.
- 5) Licensee shall instruct all health care providers participating in the treatment program to respond promptly to any Board inquiry concerning Licensee's compliance with the treatment plan.
- 6) Submit to random urine and/or blood specimen examinations at Licensee's expense. Licensee also shall submit to random urine and/or blood specimen request at any reasonable time to any authorized representative of the Board for the purpose of laboratory testing to see if substance abuse has occurred. These tests will be required upon final signature of this order. The frequency of the tests shall be designated by the Board approved addictionologist or treatment center, or at a rate of not less than once a month and unless or until otherwise provided by the Board in writing.
- 7) Licensee shall waive any privilege with respect to any physical or psychological evaluation or treatment in favor of the Board for the purposes to determine compliance with this Order and shall execute any waiver or release upon request from the Board.

4.

This order is issued by the Board pursuant to ORS 684.100 (6), (7) and (8) for the purpose of making a complete investigation in order to fully inform itself with respect to the performance and/or conduct of the Licensee and the Licensee's ability to practice without serious risk of public safety and competently practice chiropractic. Pursuant to ORS 676.175 board investigative materials are confidential and shall not be subject to public disclosure, nor shall they be admissible as evidence in any judicial proceeding.

This order, however, is a public document.

IT IS SO ORDERED effective upon signing of both parties and later date below:

**BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS**

State of Oregon

Original signature on file at OBCE.

By:

Mary 28, 2004  
Dave McTeague, Executive Director

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Original signature on file at OBCE

By:

Lynn Hakala, DC

Date: 5/28/2004