Dr. Habeeb Tunde Ali guilty of unprofessional conduct

Cochrane family physician Dr. Habeeb Tunde Ali has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct by a Hearing Tribunal of Alberta’s medical regulator, the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA).

Dr. Ali faced three charges, including failure to pay annual fees to the CPSA, failure to cooperate and meet with the CPSA’s Continuing Care Agreement monitor and failure to comply with his obligations as a bankrupt person. Dr. Ali unsuccessfully appealed the hearing decision to the CPSA’s Council, then appealed to the Alberta Court of Appeal (which was also unsuccessful).

Dr. Ali’s conduct was found to be in violation of the College’s Standards of Practice/Canadian Medical Association’s Code of Ethics. As a result, the CPSA Hearing Tribunal ordered the following sanctions:

1. Dr. Ali will receive a reprimand, and the Hearing Tribunal’s Decision will serve as the reprimand;
2. Dr. Ali is responsible for the costs of the investigation and the hearing before the Hearing Tribunal (totalling $70,241.04).

Resources:
CPSA Hearing Tribunal decision
CPSA Council Review Panel
Alberta Court of Appeal Decision

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