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### **Dr. Akadri Alarape found guilty of unprofessional conduct after criminal conviction**

**Edmonton, AB** – Edmonton General Practitioner Dr. Akadri Alarape was found guilty of unprofessional conduct by a CPSA Hearing Tribunal.

The finding of unprofessional conduct came after Dr. Alarape plead guilty to one criminal charge of sexual assault of a co-worker, which occurred between Nov. 1, 2016 and Jan. 28, 2017. Dr. Alarape's plea resulted in a criminal sentence of 12 months' probation and a \$100 victim surcharge.

The Hearing Tribunal imposed the following orders:

1. Dr. Alarape's practice permit is suspended for a period of 15 months, beginning Feb. 13, 2020.
2. Upon reinstatement, Dr. Alarape's practice permit is subject to the following conditions until otherwise determined by CPSA's Complaints Director:
  - a. Dr. Alarape must have a chaperone present for all appointments with female patients.
  - b. Dr. Alarape must advise all staff members employed at his workplace about the chaperone requirement.
  - c. Dr. Alarape must post a notice about the chaperone requirement in the clinic waiting area and in each exam room.
  - d. Dr. Alarape must ensure clinic staff advises female patients of the chaperone requirement, either when the appointment is booked or during registration for walk-in appointments.
  - e. Dr. Alarape must create and maintain a log to show he is complying with sections a, b and c as detailed above.
  - f. The Complaints Director is authorized to conduct unannounced inspections to ensure Dr. Alarape's compliance with his practice conditions.
3. Dr. Alarape must enter into a continuing care agreement with CPSA for a period of five years.
4. Dr. Alarape must work in a clinical setting which employs at least one other regulated health professional.
5. Dr. Alarape must not work one-on-one with a female staff member, or be alone with a female staff member in an enclosed space. This will remain in effect until otherwise determined by the Complaints Director.
6. Dr. Alarape is responsible for paying the complete costs of the CPSA investigation and hearing (totalling \$81,113.77).

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7. The Hearing Tribunal reserves the right to resolve disputes about the nature of these orders.

Sanctions under Bill 21: *An Act to Protect Patients* do not apply to this case as the sexual assault predates the change in legislation and did not involve a patient.

**Resources:**

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