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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

Julia Sudylo, R.N. License No.: 26N009091900

FINAL CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND SURGERY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners ("the Board") upon a complaint regarding the practice of Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy by Respondent, Julia Sudylo, R.N., ("Sudylo") holding nursing license number: 26N009091900. She is not a licensed physician.

Since Respondent Sudylo's initial hyperbaric certification in 2004, Respondent Sudylo provided Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy in the garage of her home in Basking Ridge, New Jersey. She has two Sechrist 3200 monoplace chambers, and offers treatment to adults and children. Respondent Sudylo primarily offered treatment for general wellness. In addition to general wellness treatment,

Respondent Sudylo, has, on occasion, offered treatment for the following conditions: Lyme Disease, Stroke, Traumatic brain injury, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, Multiple Sclerosis, Autism, and Sports injuries. Treatment was provided at a rate of \$95.00 to \$125.00 per session. She did not have a supervising physician at her facility.

She also maintained a website (www.juliashbot.com) where she advertised her services and provided information on Oxygen therapy. She represented herself as a Certified Hyperbaric Technician on the website; however, her certification expired on November 30, 2009. Respondent Sudylo maintains that her certification expired because of her inadvertent failure to renew. She now represents that she has been recertified as a Certified Hyberbaric Technologist by the National Board of Diving and Hyperbaric Medical Technology.

Respondent Sudylo has administered Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy without a valid prescription. Further, she fails to properly maintain patient records, including, but not limited to recording and/or administering patients' vital signs.

Provision of such unsupervised treatment, in a non-clinical or hospital setting, constitutes the unlicensed practice of medicine. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-18.2, the Board is authorized to investigate and prosecute any person who engages in the unlicensed practice of medicine.

In order to avoid the immediate filing of an action seeking public sanction for the unlicensed practice of medicine in this case, Respondent consents and agrees to each and every term of

this Consent Order. The Board has determined that the within disposition is adequate to protect the public health, safety and welfare at this time. For such reasons and other good cause shown,

ΙT	IS ON	THIS	23	DAY	OF	August		2013
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HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. Respondent shall cease and desist from practicing
 Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy unless each of the following
 conditions are met:
 - a. In the case of Respondent's At-Home Facility:
 - i. The "at-home" facility is a "conforming facility" as established through the National Fire Protection Association 99, the Health Care Facilities Code;
 - ii. The facility is pre-approved by the Board upon written application; and
 - iii. All Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy is performed under the supervision of a licensed physician. Ms. Sudylo is responsible for all financial costs for the licensed physician;
 - b. In any other case:
 - i. The facility is a "conforming facility" as established through the National Fire Protection Association 99, the Health Care Facilities Code;
 - ii. The facility is pre-approved by the Board upon written application; and
 - iii. All Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy is performed under the supervision of a licensed physician.

- 2. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from advertising on her website (www.juliashbot.com) or in any other manner that she provides Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy in her home.
- 3. Respondent is assessed costs of the investigation which total \$4,375.60 and an aggregate civil penalty of \$2,500 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25 for the unauthorized practice of medicine. The penalty of \$1,250.00 plus \$4,375.60 in investigative costs shall be paid within 30 days of the date of this Order, by certified check or money order payable to the Treasurer, State of New Jersey and forwarded to the attention of William V. Roeder, Executive Director of the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, P.O. Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183.
- 4. The remaining \$1,250.00 due as a civil penalty shall be stayed for five years. If during the next five years, Respondent is found liable for any violation of this Order, the Board shall require Respondent to pay the remaining \$1,250.00 plus any costs or penalties associated with the new violation. Alternatively, if Respondent does not commit any violation during the five year period, then the remaining \$1,250.00 shall be discharged.
- 5. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action, by this Board or any other Professional Board of New Jersey, including the Board of Nursing, the Attorney General, the Drug Control Unit, the

Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to the entry of this Order.

EXAMINERS

By:

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL

I have read the above Order, understand its terms, and agree to be bound by them. I consent to the entry of this Order by the Board of Medical Examiners. Julia Sudylo, R.W. Respondent
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Dated
Consented to as to form and entry
Mathew Major, Esq.
Counsel to Julia Sudyło, R.N.
Dated