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2 MG's pain to be 10 out of 10. Respondent reported MG's pain to be cramping and mild.  
3 Respondent documented a normal physical examination and ordered a venous Doppler,  
4 which was normal. Basic labs were also ordered and reported as normal. MG received two  
5 injections of Demerol, plus Valium for pain. MG was discharged with pain improvement  
6 and prescriptions for Percocet and Flexeril. Respondent diagnosed MG with myalgia and  
7 muscle spasm.

8           6.       On March 2, 2009, MG returned to the same emergency department  
9 complaining of worsening pain unrelieved by the analgesics, and also complaining of  
10 paresthesias and inability to walk. A physical examination showed signs of left leg  
11 ischemia. The registered nurse reported the leg to appear purple, cool and edematous.  
12 Respondent saw MG and noted decreased motor and sensory function with a pulse deficit.  
13 A vascular surgeon was consulted and MG was started on heparin. MG was admitted to  
14 the hospital and underwent arterial thrombectomy and fasciotomy. She developed  
15 myonecrosis and underwent a below the knee amputation on March 9, 2009. MG was  
16 later discharged on March 25, 2009.

17           7.       The standard of care required a Physician Assistant practicing emergency  
18 medicine to recognize the signs and symptoms of peripheral arterial ischemia and order  
19 the appropriate diagnostic tests. Respondent deviated from the standard of care by failing  
20 to recognize a classic case of early arterial insufficiency and therefore failing to order the  
21 appropriate diagnostic test, an arterial Doppler ultrasound, leading to a delay in diagnosis

22           8.       Actual patient harm occurred to MG in that she suffered progressive limb  
23 ischemia ultimately leading to an amputation.

1 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over  
3 Respondent.

4 2. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional  
5 conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2501(18)(j) (“[a]ny conduct or practice that is or might be  
6 harmful or dangerous to the health of the patient or the public.”).

7 **ORDER**

8 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

9 Respondent is issued a Letter of Reprimand.

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11 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015.

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13 ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

14 By Patricia E. McSorley  
15 Patricia E. McSorley  
16 Executive Director

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18 **CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER**

19 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the  
20 stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order (“Order”). Respondent  
21 acknowledges he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.

22 2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely  
23 and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.

24 3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights  
25 to a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to

1 challenge this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of  
2 action related thereto or arising from said Order.

3 4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its  
4 Executive Director.

5 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this  
6 matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving  
7 the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended  
8 or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government  
9 regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or  
10 any other state or federal court.

11 6. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy  
12 thereof) to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the  
13 entry of the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any  
14 modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved  
15 by the parties.

16 7. This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal  
17 disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data  
18 Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.

19 8. If any part of the Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the  
20 remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.

21 9. If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a  
22 defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes bias, prejudice,  
23 prejudgment or other similar defense.

24 10. Any violation of this Consent Agreement constitutes unprofessional conduct  
25 and may result in disciplinary action. A.R.S. § § 32-2501(21)(dd) ("[v]iolating a formal

1 order, probation agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its  
2 executive director.") and 32-2551.

3 11. *Respondent agrees and understands the terms of this Agreement.*

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5  P.A.-C.  
6 GREGORY D. BASYE, P.A.

DATED: 10-30-15

7 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed  
8 this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015 to:

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13 Attorney for Respondent

14 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed  
15 this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015 with:

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20 Board Staff