

1 or any other administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters related to the
2 Interim Consent Agreement.

3 4. Respondent understands that this Interim Consent Agreement does not
4 constitute a dismissal or resolution of this matter or any matters that may be currently
5 pending before the Board and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the
6 Board's statutory authority or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future
7 investigations, actions, or proceedings. Respondent does not relinquish his rights to an
8 administrative hearing, rehearing, review, reconsideration, judicial review or any other
9 administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters related to a final disposition
10 of this matter, unless he affirmatively does so as part of the final resolution of this matter.
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12 5. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that upon signing this Interim
13 Consent Agreement and returning it to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may
14 not revoke his acceptance of this Interim Consent Agreement or make any modifications
15 to it. Any modification of this original document is ineffective and void unless mutually
16 approved by the parties in writing.

17 6. Respondent understands that this Interim Consent Agreement shall not
18 become effective unless and until it is signed by the Board's Executive Director.
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20 7. Respondent understands and agrees that if the Board's Executive Director
21 does not adopt this Interim Consent Agreement, he will not assert in any future
22 proceedings that the Board's consideration of this Interim Consent Agreement
23 constitutes bias, prejudice, prejudgment, or other similar defense.
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1 medication. Respondent presented for a health assessment that was conducted by the
2 Board's Physicians Health Program ("PHP"). Based on the results of the health
3 assessment, the PHP recommended that Respondent obtain a comprehensive evaluation
4 at CeDAR affiliated with the University of Colorado Medical Center to include an addiction
5 evaluation, psychiatric evaluation, pain management evaluation and another neurosurgical
6 consultation. The preliminary results of the comprehensive evaluation indicated that
7 Respondent should successfully complete a 90 day treatment program for licensed health
8 professionals that include Suboxone for pain management and additional
9 neuropsychological testing and evaluation.

10 **INTERIM CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

11 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over
12 Respondent.

13 2. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-2505(C)(23), the Executive Director may enter into
14 consent agreements if there is evidence of danger to the public health and safety.

15 **INTERIM ORDER**

16 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

17 1. Respondent is prohibited from engaging in the practice of medicine with
18 physician supervision in the State of Arizona as set forth in A.R.S. § 32-2501(13).
19 Respondent shall not return to the practice of medicine under physician supervision until
20 he applies to the Board and demonstrates his ability to safely carry out approved
21 healthcare tasks and receives the Board's permission to do so. At a minimum,
22 Respondent shall not apply for the termination of the practice restriction until he has
23 successfully completed 90 days of residential substance dependence treatment at a facility
24 approved by the Board or its staff and provided the Board with the final report issued by
25 the treatment program. In addition, prior to making its final decision, the Board may require

1 any combination of staff approved assessments, evaluations, treatments, examinations or
2 interviews it finds necessary to assist in determining whether Respondent is able to safely
3 resume such practice.

4 2. The Board retains jurisdiction and may initiate new action based upon any
5 violation of this Interim Consent Agreement, including, but not limited to, summarily
6 suspending Respondent's license.

7 3. Because this is an Interim Consent Agreement and not a final decision by
8 the Board regarding the pending investigation, It is subject to further consideration by the
9 Board.

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11 _____
12 David Cardoso, P.A.

DATED: 7/21/14

14 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 21st day of July, 2014.

16 ARIZONA REGULATORY BOARD OF
17 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS

19 By C Lloyd Vest II
20 C. Lloyd Vest, II
Executive Director

22 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed
23 this 21st day of July, 2014 to:

24 David Cardoso, P.A.
Address of Record

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