BEFORE THE

BOARD OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of the License of: Case No. 25-01-01

Dr. Alexis Alcorn ND NOTICE OF PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Licensee AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

1.

The Board of Naturopathic Medicine (Board) is the State agency responsible for licensing, regulating, and disciplining naturopathic physicians in the State of Oregon, pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) chapter 685 and Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) chapter 850. Dr. Alexis Alcorn, ND (Licensee) has been a licensed naturopathic physician in the State of Oregon since October 2020 and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Board.

2.

The Board hereby proposes to take disciplinary action against Licensee's license to practice naturopathic medicine, on the grounds described in the following paragraphs. For each violation, the Board may impose a civil penalty up to \$5,000, a term of probation, a letter of reprimand and license limitation, suspension, or revocation.

3.

Patient established care with Licensee in July 2022. Prior to their office visit on July 23, 2024, Patient had a blood draw for labs to determine whether a prescription for statins would be appropriate to lower their cholesterol. Licensee was not prepared to interpret the lab results at scheduled office visit and told Patient she would call them if she decided to prescribe a statin. Licensee did not call or follow up with Patient. Patient checked their "My Chart" on September 20, 2024, and saw chart notes from the July 23rd visit, entered on August 28, 2024, that Licensee thought Patient should be referred to a cardiologist due to concerns about cardiovascular and liver disease risk. Licensee did not inform patient of this information.

4.

Patient sent a message to Licensee through the patient portal on September 20, 2024, asking her about the referral mentioned in the chart note, but did not get a response. Patient sent another message on October 4, 2024, asking again about the referral. On Oct. 7, Licensee's office replied to the message saying a medical assistant would contact them after the referral was faxed. After not receiving any further communication from Licensee or staff, Patient sent another follow up message on Dec. 5. Patient sent another message on Dec. 13, stating they would file a complaint with the licensing board if they did not receive an update regarding the chart note related to the referral. On / about Dec. 16, Licensee's medical assistant replied stating she faxed in the referral "shortly after" September 20, 2024. On Dec. 26, Patient contacted Providence

Heart Clinic to schedule an appointment, and confirmed they received the referral from Licensee's office on /about Dec. 16. The first available appointment for the Patient to see the cardiologist was April 29, 2025.

5.

Licensee failed to follow through with her commitment to contact the Patient after their July 23, 2024, office visit regarding Patient's lab test results. Licensee failure to communicate with the Patient, put the onus on the Patient to obtain their own health information through "My Chart." Licensee failed to respond to multiple messages sent by the Patient on Sept 20, Oct 4, Oct 7, Dec 5, Dec. 13, related to Licensee's chart note regarding referring Patient to a cardiologist due to concerns about cardiovascular and liver disease. Licensee delayed Patient's referral to a cardiologist for five (5) months, and that delay caused another four (4) months of delay for the Patient to be seen by a cardiologist. The aforementioned conduct is a violation of OAR 850-050-0010 (1)(c)(B) Negligent Treatment and (D) Failure to refer when referral is appropriate.

6.

For the violations described above; under ORS 685.110(23), the Board proposes the following discipline:

- Reprimand
- Probation Six (6) Months, or termination of probation upon the completion of the following required continuing education:
 - o Two (2) hours of effective patient communication
 - o Four (4) hours of cardiovascular risk reduction and prevention / treatment

7.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Licensee is entitled to a hearing as provided by the Administrative Procedures Act (ORS Chapter 183). If you want a hearing, you must file a written request for hearing with the Board within 21 days from the date this notice was mailed. You must submit request for hearing to either via email Naturopathic.Medicine@obnm.Oregon.gov or U.S. Mail to Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, 800 NE Oregon Street, Suite 407, Portland, OR 97232. The request for hearing must be received by the Board within 21 days from the date of mailing of this notice and must be accompanied by a written answer to the charges contained in this Notice. If a request for hearing is not received within 21 days, the right to hearing is waived.

8.

If you request a hearing, you will be notified of the time and place of the hearing. Before the hearing, you will receive information on the procedures, right of representation, and other rights of parties related to the conduct of the hearing. An administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings will preside at any hearing. ORS 183.635.

9.

An answer is required to this Notice, pursuant to OAR 850-001-0015, due to the complexity of the matters alleged above. The answer shall be made in writing to the Board and shall include an

admission or denial of each factual matter alleged in this Notice, and a short plain statement of each relevant affirmative defense Licensee may have. Except for good cause, factual matters alleged in this notice and not denied in the answer shall be presumed admitted; failure to raise a particular defense in the answer will be considered a waiver of such defense; and new matters alleged in the answer (affirmative defenses) shall be presumed to be denied by the agency and evidence shall not be taken on any issue not raised in the Notice and answer.

10.

If you fail to request a hearing within 21 days, withdraw a request for a hearing, notify the Board or administrative law judge that you will not appear or fail to appear at a scheduled hearing, the Board may issue a final order by default revoking your license. If the Board issues a default order, the contents of the Board's file automatically become part of the evidentiary record of this disciplinary action for the purpose of proving a prima facie case.

NOTICE TO ACTIVE DUTY SERVICEMEMBERS: Active-duty service members have a right to stay these proceedings under the federal Service members Civil Relief Act. For more information contact the Oregon State Bar at 800-452-8260, the Oregon Military Department at 503-584-3571 or the nearest United States Armed Forces Legal Assistance Office through http://legalassistance.law.af.mil.

DATED this __4th____day of _September__2025.

BOARD OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

State of Oregon

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