

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
BUREAU OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
DISCIPLINARY SUBCOMMITTEE

In the matter of

ABOLARIN AGBONA, D.V.M.
License Number: 69-01-008492

File Number: 69-06-101056

ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

NOW COMES the Michigan Department of Community Health, hereafter Complainant, by Melanie B. Brim, Director, Bureau of Health Professions, and files this complaint against Abolarin Agbona, D.V.M., hereafter Respondent, alleging upon information and belief as follows:

1. The Michigan Board of Veterinary Medicine, hereafter Board, is an administrative agency established by the Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, as amended; MCL 333.1101 et seq. Pursuant to section 16226 of the Public Health Code, supra, the Board's Disciplinary Subcommittee is empowered to discipline licensees for violations of the Public Health Code.
2. Respondent is currently licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Michigan and holds a current controlled substance license.
3. Respondent is the owner/veterinarian of Comprehensive Animal Clinic in Lansing, Michigan.

4. On May 25, 2006, the Board's Disciplinary Subcommittee disciplined Respondent pursuant to a Consent Order and Stipulation. Specifically, Respondent was placed on probation for a period of one year with terms. The disciplinary action was based on Respondent's poor documentation and failure to store controlled substances in a securely locked cabinet or maintain an accurate inventory of controlled substances. A copy of the disciplinary documents, marked Exhibit A, is attached and incorporated.

5. On February 8, 2006, at approximately 10:30 p.m., a Ferman Shepard named Koda presented to Respondent on an emergency basis with symptoms of "bloat."

6. On February 8 and 9, 2006, Respondent provided substandard treatment to Koda, and Respondent's documentation concerning his treatment of Koda was inadequate to determine the seriousness of the dog's condition. Specifically, Respondent's documentation lacked any mention of fluid therapy, electrolytes, or acid-base evaluations in the medical records. Respondent's x-ray of Koda was of poor technical quality so as to render it totally useless, and he failed to refer Koda to another veterinarian. Furthermore, Respondent failed to document the results of a gastric lavage.

7. On February 9, 2006, Koda's condition continued to deteriorate and the dog's owners sought treatment for Koda with another veterinarian, who diagnosed Koda with gastric-dilatation/volvulus (GVD).

COUNT I

Respondent's conduct, as set forth above, evidences a violation of general duty, consisting of negligence or failure to exercise due care, including negligent delegation to or supervision of employees or other individuals, whether or not injury results, in violation of section 16221(a) of the Public Health Code, supra.

COUNT II

Respondent's conduct, as set forth above, evidences a departure from, or failure to conform to, minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing practice for the health profession, whether or not actual injury to an individual occurs, in violation of section 16221(b)(i) of the Public Health Code, supra.

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that the within complaint be served upon Respondent and that Respondent be offered an opportunity to show compliance with all lawful requirements for retention of the license. If compliance is not shown, Complainant further requests that formal proceedings be commenced pursuant to the Public Health Code, rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, as amended; MCL 24.201 et seq.

RESPONDENT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that, pursuant to section 16231(7) of the Public Health Code, supra, Respondent has 30 days from the date of receipt of this complaint to submit a written response to the allegations contained herein. The

written response shall be submitted to Complainant, Melanie B. Brim, Director, Bureau of Health Professions, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30670, Lansing, MI 48909.

RESPONDENT IS FURTHER NOTIFIED that, pursuant to section 16231(8) of the Public Health Code, supra, Respondent's failure to submit a written response within 30 days, as noted above, shall be treated as an admission of the allegations contained herein and shall result in transmittal of this complaint directly to the Board's Disciplinary Subcommittee for imposition of an appropriate sanction.

DATED: *October 11, 2006*

Melanie B. Brim
Melanie B. Brim, Director
Bureau of Health Professions

Attachment

This is the last and final page of an Administrative Complaint in the matter of Abolarin Agbona, D.V.M., File Number 69-06-101056, before the Disciplinary Subcommittee of the Michigan Board of Veterinary Medicine, consisting of four pages, this page included.

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