

**STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BOARD OF NATUROPATHY**

In the Matter of

**EDMUND M. CORPUZ**  
Credential No. NATU.NT.00001270

Respondent

**No. M2013-1275**

**STIPULATED FINDINGS OF  
FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW  
AND AGREED ORDER ON  
REINSTATEMENT**

The Board of Naturopathy (Board), by and through Alexander H. Lee, Department of Health Staff Attorney, and Respondent represented by counsel, if any, stipulate and agree to the following:

**1. PROCEDURAL STIPULATIONS**

1.1 On February 6, 2004, the State of Washington issued Respondent a credential to practice as a naturopathic physician. Respondent's credential is currently suspended.

1.2 Respondent requested reinstatement of his credential to practice as a naturopathic physician in the state of Washington.

1.3 Respondent waives the opportunity for a hearing on the request for reinstatement provided that the Board accepts this Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Order on Reinstatement (Agreed Order on Reinstatement).

1.4 Respondent understands that this Agreed Order on Reinstatement is not binding unless and until it is signed by the Board and served by the Adjudicative Clerk Office.

1.5 If the Board accepts this Agreed Order on Reinstatement, it is subject to the federal reporting requirements pursuant to Section 1128E of the Social Security Act and 45 CFR Part 60, RCW 18.130.110 and any other applicable interstate/national reporting requirements. It is a public document and will be available on the Department of Health web site.

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1.6 If the Board rejects this Agreed Order on Reinstatement, Respondent waives any objection to the participation at hearing of any Board members who heard the Agreed Order on Reinstatement presentation.

## 2. FINDINGS OF FACT

The State and Respondent stipulate to the following facts:

2.1 On February 6, 2004, the State of Washington issued Respondent a credential to practice as a naturopathic physician. Respondent's credential is currently suspended.

2.2 Respondent requested reinstatement of his credential to practice as a naturopathic physician in the state of Washington.

2.3 On February 6, 2015, the Board entered a Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Order of Default (Failure to Respond) In the Matter of Edmund M. Corpuz, No. M2013-1275 (2015 Default Order). The 2015 Default Order indefinitely suspended Respondent's credential.

2.4 The Board reviewed Respondent's request for reinstatement and determined Respondent's credential may be reinstated with certain terms and conditions.

## 3. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The State and Respondent agree to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law:

3.1 The Board has jurisdiction over Respondent and over the subject matter of this proceeding.

3.2 The request for reinstatement was brought properly before the Board.

3.3 Respondent's request for reinstatement should be granted with the Board's oversight and monitoring.

## 4. AGREED ORDER

Based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, Respondent agrees to entry of the following Agreed Order on Reinstatement:

4.1 Respondent's request for reinstatement of credential is hereby **GRANTED** provided Respondent meets relevant regulatory requirements for credentialing, and subject to the following terms and conditions.

4.2 Respondent's credential to practice as a naturopathic physician in the state of Washington shall be placed on **PROBATION** for at least twenty-four (24) months commencing on the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement. During the course of probation, Respondent shall comply with all of the following terms and conditions.

4.3 For at least twenty-four (24) months commencing on the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement, a qualified health care provider shall supervise Respondent in all aspects of the practice. The Board must approve the supervisor in advance. The supervisor shall have a minimum of five (5) years of practice as a licensed health care provider in the state of Washington with no prior disciplinary history. Respondent shall not have any significant prior personal, business, professional, and/or therapeutic relationship(s) with the supervisor.

4.4 Respondent shall cause his pre-approved health care supervisor to submit quarterly performance evaluation reports directly to the Board on forms provided by the Department. If Respondent is not employed as a naturopathic physician, Respondent shall submit quarterly declarations, under penalty of perjury, on forms provided by the Department, stating dates of unemployment as a naturopathic physician, in lieu of the supervisor reports.

The first supervisor report or unemployment declaration shall be due thirty (30) days from the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement. Reports or declarations shall be submitted every three (3) months thereafter, for twenty-four (24) months or until otherwise ordered by the Board. Failure to submit information and/or to make true statements may lead to further disciplinary action, up to and including suspension and revocation.

4.5 In addition to mandatory continuing education, within six (6) months of the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement, Respondent shall complete fourteen (14) hours of continuing education, pre-approved by the Board or its designee, as follows:

- A. Seven (7) hours of continuing education in the area of record keeping.
- B. Seven (7) hours of continuing education in the area of ethics.

Respondent shall provide the Board with proof of completion of such continuing education within thirty (30) days of such completion. Failure to complete the required minimum hours of pre-approved continuing education in the specified areas within the specified time(s) shall constitute a violation of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement.

4.6 Respondent shall take and pass the Board's jurisprudence examination within six (6) months of the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement.

4.7 In addition to any other inspections it may make, the Department of Health and/or Board may audit records and review Respondent's practice at his place of employment on an unannounced basis at least two (2) times per year for the duration of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement or unless deemed no longer required by the Board or its designee if Respondent is notified in writing. Each audit shall review at least ten (10) files to review record keeping.

4.8 Respondent shall pay a fine to the Board in the amount of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800.00), which must be received by the Board within six (6) months of the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement. The fine shall be paid by certified or cashier's check or money order, made payable to the Department of Health and mailed to the Department of Health, Board of Naturopathy, at PO Box 1099, Olympia, WA 98507-1099. Credit or Debit cards can also be used for payment at the front counter of the Department of Health building at 111 Israel Road SE, Tumwater, WA 98501, during regular business hours.

4.9 Respondent shall obey all federal, state and local laws and all administrative rules governing the practice of the profession in Washington.

4.10 The Board or its designee may verify Respondent's compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement, if applicable.

4.11 Any documents required by this Agreed Order on Reinstatement shall be sent to Department of Health Compliance at PO Box 47873, Olympia, WA 98504-7873.

4.12 Respondent is responsible for all costs of complying with this Order.

4.13 Respondent shall inform the Department of Health Office of Customer Service, in writing, of changes in Respondent's residential and/or business address within thirty (30) days of the change. The mailing address for the Office of Customer Service is PO Box 47865, Olympia, WA 98504-7865.

4.14 The effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement is the date the Adjudicative Clerk Office places the signed Agreed Order on Reinstatement into the U.S. mail. If required, Respondent shall not submit any fees or compliance documents until after the effective date of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement

**5. FAILURE TO COMPLY**

Protection of the public requires practice under the terms and conditions imposed in this Agreed Order on Reinstatement. Failure to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement may result in suspension of the credential after a show cause hearing. If Respondent fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this Agreed Order on Reinstatement, the Board may hold a hearing to require Respondent to show cause why the credential should not be suspended. Alternatively, the Board may bring additional charges of unprofessional conduct under RCW 18.130.180(9). In either case, Respondent will be afforded notice and an opportunity for a hearing on the issue of non-compliance.

**6. ACCEPTANCE**

I, EDMUND M. CORPUZ, Respondent, have read, understand and agree to this Agreed Order on Reinstatement. This Agreed Order on Reinstatement may be presented to the Board without my appearance. I understand that I will receive a signed copy if the Board accepts this Agreed Order on Reinstatement

Edmund M. Corpuz  
EDMUND M. CORPUZ  
RESPONDENT

08/05/2015  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_, WSBA #  
ATTORNEY FOR RESPONDENT


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DATE

7. ORDER


The Board accepts and enters this Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Order on Reinstatement.

DATED: 28 August 2015, 2015

STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BOARD OF NATUROPATHY

  
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PANEL CHAIR

PRESENTED BY:

  
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ALEXANDER H. LEE, WSBA #35824  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STAFF ATTORNEY

Aug. 28, 2015  
DATE