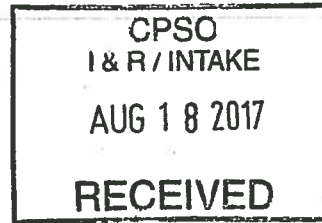


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Sent: August-17-17 6:20 PM
To: Brian Goldig
Subject: Concerns



Dear Dr. Goldig

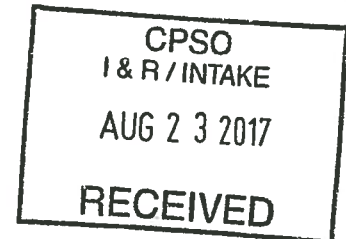
On behalf of the members of the paediatric neuro-oncology team at the hospital for Sick Children, I wanted to make the CPSO aware of serious concerns regarding the ability of Dr. Akbar Nauman Khan to treat a child with newly diagnosed metastatic medulloblastoma. This 6 year-old child was admitted in May 2017 under the care of our neurosurgery colleagues. After surgery, we received neuro-pathology results, which confirmed the diagnosis of a high grade medulloblastoma. We had multiple meetings with the parents and explained that the chance of cure with this condition was in the range of 70%. However, parents expressed the wish to explore alternative treatments and decided to have all the care of their son transferred to Dr. Khan.

Considering the rarity of medulloblastoma (30 cases per year in Canada) and the complexity of the treatment, children are managed in paediatric oncology units by a multidisciplinary team. We have no evidence that the care of this child under the supervision of Dr. Khan is safe and appropriate. We are also concerned that he may have provided false (or misleading) information about the efficacy of the treatment he is offering.

I would be happy to provide more specific details if needed.

Sincerely

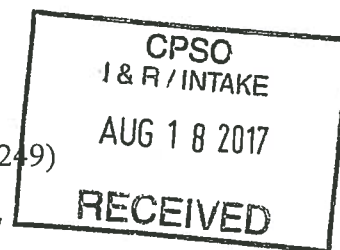
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Advisor - Gregory Jones
 Advisory file number - 416033
 Type of call - Advisory Complaint
 Subject Physician(s) – Dr. Akbar Nauman Khan (65249)



TELEPHONE CALL FROM: Dr. Eric Bouffet on August 14, 2017

- Dr. Bouffet indicated that he was contacting me in response to my message to call me directly (please refer to IF#413215)
- I advised Dr. Bouffet that his colleague, Dr. Annie Huang (69132), contacted the College stating concerns with respect to Dr. Khan
- I advised Dr. Bouffet that Dr. Huang had indicated that Dr. Bouffet will be submitting a LoC against Dr. Khan with the College
- I advised Dr. Bouffet that Dr. Huang had indicated that there were several physicians at Sick Kid's Hospital that have concerns regarding Dr. Khan prescribing chemotherapy drugs to pediatric patients
- I indicated that Dr. Huang had advised that Dr. Bouffet will be submitting the LoC on behalf of the group of physicians at Sick Kid's Hospital
- Dr. Bouffet stated that he has been in discussions with Dr. Huang and other physicians at Sick Kid's Hospital regarding Dr. Khan practising outside of his scope of practice and prescribing chemo drugs
- Dr. Bouffet stated that pediatric patients are returning to Sick Kid's Hospital after seeing Dr. Khan and are suffering from significant side-effects of the chemo drugs
- Dr. Bouffet stated that he intends on submitting the LoC against Dr. Khan; however, he has been advised by the hospital to have their legal review the LoC before submitting it to the College
- Dr. Bouffet thanked me for contacting him and indicated he will submit his LoC to the College soon

ROC FORWARDED TO MANAGER: Mr. Brian Goldig on August 14, 2017

- Mr. Goldig indicated that he has forwarded this information and IF# 413215 to I&R for review
- Matter closed

EMAIL FROM: Dr. Bouffet on August 18, 2017

- Dr. Bouffet sent his LoC against Dr. Khan to PPAS manager, Mr. Brian Goldig
- Mr. Goldig advised that Dr. Bouffet's email and my ROC have been forwarded to I&R for review
- Matter closed

Advisor - Gregory Jones
Advisory file number - 413215
Type of call - Advisory Complaint
Subject Physician(s) – Dr. Akbar Nauman Khan (65249)

TELEPHONE CALL FROM: Dr. Annie Huang (69132) on July 21, 2017

- Dr. Huang contacted the College stating concerns with respect to Dr. Khan practising oncology and prescribing chemotherapy drugs, which is outside of his scope of practise
- Dr. Huang stated that Dr. Khan is a GP with no formal training or education in oncology, and is not formally trained in prescribing chemotherapy drugs
- Dr. Huang stated that Dr. Khan is the medical director for a cancer clinic in Toronto
- Dr. Huang stated that there have been pediatric patients from Sick Kids Hospital that have gone to Dr. Khan's cancer clinic and returned to Sick Kids with significant side effects
- Dr. Huang stated that she is very concerned about the safety of patients that are going to Dr. Khan for cancer treatment
- Dr. Huang stated that she wished to file a complaint against Dr. Khan with the College
- I explained the College's complaints process
- Dr. Huang stated that she will submit a LoC against Dr. Khan to the College