

**VIRGINIA:**

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF MEDICINE**

**IN RE:       CRAIG S. CROPP, M.D.**  
**License No.: 0101-058190**

**MODIFIED ORDER**

In accordance with Sections 54.1-2400(10), 2.2-4019 and 2.2-4021 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), an informal conference was held with Craig S. Cropp, M.D., on September 19, 2006, in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Members of the Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") serving on the Special Conference Committee ("Committee") were: Clara L. Adams-Ender, R.N., M.S.N., BG USA Ret., Chair; Jane E. Piness, M.D.; and John H. Armstrong, M.D.

Dr. Cropp appeared personally and was not represented by legal counsel. Michelle Wilson, Adjudication Specialist, was present as a representative for the Administrative Proceedings Division of the Department of Health Professions.

The purpose of the informal conference was to review Dr. Cropp's compliance with the terms and conditions imposed upon his license to practice medicine pursuant to an Order of the Board entered November 8, 2004, as set forth in a Notice of Informal Conference dated July 21, 2006.

Subsequently, Dr. Cropp requested that the Committee modify the Order entered September 26, 2006. Upon review by the Chair of the Committee, it was determined that Term #1 of the Order would be modified as follows. This Modified Order replaces the Order entered September 26, 2006, which was vacated.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

Now, having properly considered the evidence and statements presented, the Committee makes the following Findings of Fact:

1. Craig S. Cropp, M.D., was issued license number 0101-058190 to practice medicine and surgery in Virginia on July 13, 1998. Said license is currently active and will expire on March 31, 2008, unless renewed or otherwise restricted.

2. Dr. Cropp provided evidence to the Committee that he was unable to complete the terms and conditions of the Board's Order entered November 8, 2004, primarily due to the restriction place on his license by the Board.

3. Dr. Cropp stated to the Committee that he has not been able to practice clinical medicine for the last four years; however, he has obtained over 65 hours of continuing medical education in the last two years in obstetrics and gynecology.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Committee determined that the matter regarding Dr. Cropp is properly before it for consideration. Further, the Committee deferred making Conclusions of Law regarding Findings of Fact #2 - #7, as set forth in the Board's Order entered June 10, 2003.

### **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, it is hereby ORDERED that the license of Craig S. Cropp, M.D., be, and hereby is, placed on the following terms and conditions:

1. Dr. Cropp shall not engage in the practice of medicine, actively or as a consultant, until such time as he completes one of the following terms and submits verification acceptable to the Board.
  - a. Take and pass the Special Purpose Examination ("SPEX") administered by the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc.
  - b. Complete a voluntary recertification with the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology ("ACOG").

2. Upon receipt of verification from Dr. Cropp to the Board that he has successfully completed either Term #1(a) or Term #1(b), he may return to the practice of medicine under the following terms and conditions:

- a. Dr. Cropp may not practice as a solo practitioner.
- b. Within 5 days of his return to practice, Dr. Cropp shall submit written notification to the Board regarding the date he returned to practice, location of practice, and the name a physician who has agreed to enter into a mentorship with Dr. Cropp for the purpose of overseeing his practice for not less than (1) year.
- c. The physician mentor shall hold a current and active medical license. Further, should Dr. Cropp return to practice in the field of obstetrics' and gynecology, the mentor shall also be a board-certified obstetrician-gynecologist.
- d. The physician mentor shall practice in the same office and be available to Dr. Cropp for consultation and peer input.
- e. The physician mentor must observe and/or assist Dr. Cropp during all surgical procedures and obstetrical deliveries, to include all invasive gynecologic surgical procedures performed both in the office and in the operating room for a period of not less than (1) year.
- f. The physician mentor shall submit written quarterly reports to the Board regarding Dr. Cropp's clinical competency for a period of not less than (1) year. The quarterly reports should include, but not limited to, evaluation of Dr. Cropp's clinical performance, comprehensive histories; assessments of patients; clinical findings; diagnostic testing; appropriate diagnoses; projected treatment plans; documentation/record-keeping, and surgical technique.

g. Should Dr. Cropp choose to change his mentoring physician or practice location, he shall submit written notification to the Board as required by Term #2(b).

h. Dr. Cropp shall provide his mentoring physician and/or employer with copies of this current Order and all prior Orders entered by the Board.

i. Dr. Cropp shall sign a written authorization providing for unrestricted communication between the Board and his mentoring physician.

j. Dr. Cropp shall maintain a log, on a form prescribed by the Board, for all patients he treats. Said patient log shall include the date, patient name, procedures or treatments rendered, and any complications experienced. Dr. Cropp shall submit the patient log to the Board on a quarterly basis for a period of not less than one (1) year.

3. After Dr. Cropp has completed one (1) year of medical practice, he may petition the Board for termination of the above terms and conditions on his license. The Committee authorizes the Executive Director of the Board to terminate these terms and to reinstate Dr. Cropp's license to an unrestricted status, or refer this matter to an informal conference for final determination. In the interim, the Board reserves the right to convene an administrative hearing on any matter deemed to be a violation of Virginia law or regulation.

4. Dr. Cropp shall maintain a course of conduct in his practice of medicine commensurate with the requirements of Title 54.1, Chapter 29 of the Code and all laws of the Commonwealth.

5. Dr. Cropp shall cooperate with the Virginia Board of Medicine and the Department of Health Professions in the investigation or inspection of his practice to verify that he is in compliance with this Order.

6. Dr. Cropp shall notify the Executive Director of the Board, by certified mail, of any change of address within ten days of such occurrence.

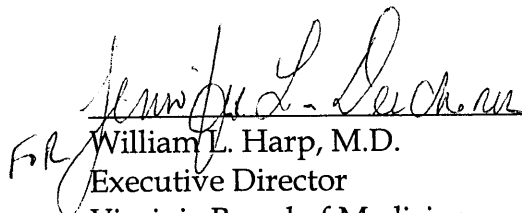
Violation of this Order may constitute grounds for suspension or revocation of Dr. Cropp's license. In the event that Dr. Cropp violates this Order, an administrative proceeding may be convened to determine whether his license shall be revoked.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400.2(F) of the Code, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as a public record, and shall be made available for public inspection and copying upon request.

Pursuant to Section 54.1-2400(10) of the Code, Dr. Cropp may, not later than 5:00 p.m., on November 8, 2006, notify William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director, Board of Medicine, 6603 West Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23230, in writing that he desires a formal administrative hearing before the Board. Upon the filing with the Executive Director of a request for the hearing, this Order shall be vacated.

Therefore, this Order shall become final on November 8, 2006, unless a request for a formal administrative hearing is received as described above.

FOR THE BOARD

  
William L. Harp, M.D.  
Executive Director  
Virginia Board of Medicine

ENTERED: 10-4-06