SUMMARY SHEET SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

May 2, 2024

- () ACTION/DECISION
- (X) INFORMATION
- **I. TITLE:** Healthcare Quality Administrative and Consent Orders.
- **II. SUBJECT:** Healthcare Quality Administrative Orders and Consent Orders for the period of March 1, 2024, through March 31, 2024.
- **III. FACTS:** For the period of March 1, 2024, through March 31, 2024, Healthcare Quality reports three Consent Orders totaling \$1,300 in assessed monetary penalties.

Bureau	Facility, Service, Provider, or Equipment Type	Administrative Orders	Consent Orders	Assessed Penalties	Required Payment
Healthcare Systems and Services	EMT Paramedic	0	2	\$200	\$200
	Ambulances	0	1	\$1,100	\$1,100
TOTAL		0	3	\$1,300	\$1,300

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HEALTHCARE QUALITY ENFORCEMENT REPORT SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

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Bureau of Healthcare Systems and Services

Provider Type	Total Number of Licensed Ambulance Providers
Ambulance Providers	310

1. Darlington County EMS

Investigation and Violations: Department staff investigated a self-reported incident involving Darlington County EMS. Department staff determined Darlington County EMS violated statute by allowing an uncertified person to perform patient care on nine calls. The uncertified person allowed his certification to expire.

Enforcement: On February 12, 2024, the Department notified Darlington County EMS that it was considering enforcement action. Darlington County EMS and Department staff agreed to resolve this via a Consent Order, which was executed on March 11, 2024. Darlington County EMS agreed to the assessment of a \$1,100 monetary penalty.

Remedial Action: Darlington County EMS paid the monetary penalty.

Prior Orders: None in the past 5 years.

Provider Type	Total Number of Certified Paramedics
Paramedic	4,503

2. Jelani Sargeant

Investigation and Violations: Department staff investigated a self-reported incident involving Mr. Sargeant. Department staff determined Mr. Sargeant committed misconduct, as defined by statute and regulation, in that he created a substantial possibility that death or serious physical harm could result from his actions or inactions. Department staff further determined Mr. Sargeant failed to provide a patient emergency medical treatment of a quality deemed acceptable by the Department, including failure to meet generally accepted standards for provision of care.

Enforcement: On January 10, 2024, the Department notified Mr. Sargeant that it was considering enforcement action. On January 26, 2024, Mr. Sargeant and Department staff met for an enforcement

conference. The parties agreed to resolve this via a Consent Order, which was executed on March 15, 2024. Mr. Sargeant agreed to the assessment of a \$100 monetary penalty. He also agreed to successfully complete the following classes within six months: Professional Ethics and Personal Leadership (PEPL); in-person class on Advanced Medical Life Support (ALMS); and Advance Airway. Finally, Mr. Sargeant agreed to be demoted to an Advanced EMT certificate for a period of 90 days.

Remedial Action: As of April 22, 2024, the Department has not received payment of the monetary penalty or evidence of completion of the required classes/courses.

Prior Orders: None in the past 5 years.

3. Breck Granger

Investigation and Violations: Department staff investigated an incident involving Mr. Granger. Department staff determined Mr. Granger committed misconduct, as defined by statute and regulation, in that he created a substantial possibility that death or serious physical harm could result from his actions or inactions. Department staff further determined Mr. Granger failed to provide a patient emergency medical treatment of a quality deemed acceptable by the Department, including failure to meet generally accepted standards for provision of care.

Enforcement: On January 10, 2024, the Department notified Mr. Granger that it was considering enforcement action. On January 26, 2024, Mr. Granger and Department staff met for an enforcement conference. The parties agreed to resolve this via a Consent Order, which was executed on March 15, 2024. Mr. Granger agreed to the assessment of a \$100 monetary penalty. He also agreed to successfully complete the following classes within six months: Professional Ethics and Personal Leadership (PEPL); in-person class on Advanced Medical Life Support (ALMS); and Advance Airway. Finally, Mr. Granger agreed to be demoted to an Advanced EMT certificate for a period of 90 days.

Remedial Action: As of April 22, 2024, the Department has not received payment of the monetary penalty or evidence of completion of the required classes/courses.

Prior Orders: None in the past 5 years.