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**Via Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested**

Patrick Glenn Daus, D.O.  
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Dear Dr. Daus:

The North Carolina Medical Board ("Board") has concluded its investigation regarding your care of Patient A that resulted in a malpractice settlement made on your behalf on September 6, 2012. Although the Board has decided not to commence formal proceedings against your North Carolina medical license, it did vote to issue you this public letter of concern.

A radical prostatectomy was performed on Patient A on November 3, 2008. A Foley catheter was placed during the procedure. On November 10, 2008, Patient A presented to you at the emergency room complaining of discomfort and bleeding around the catheter. You instructed an emergency room technician to replace the Foley catheter with a larger diameter Foley catheter. Patient A was thereafter discharged. On November 11, 2008, Patient A returned to the emergency room for evaluation and was found to have urethral disruption and catheter misplacement. He was readmitted, taken to surgery and remained in the hospital until November 21, 2008. Patient A reports postoperative chronic incontinence and pain.

The Board had your care of Patient A reviewed by an independent medical expert who gave the opinion that your treatment and overall care of Patient A were below the acceptable and prevailing standard. Specifically, this expert felt you should have consulted with a urology specialist prior to instructing that a larger Foley catheter be placed. An appropriate urology consultation may have resulted in a different treatment approach for Patient A, thus avoiding Patient A's second surgery and resulting chronic incontinence and pain.

The Board urges you to make sure that the conduct giving rise to the Board's concerns does not happen again. Otherwise, the Board may vote to commence formal disciplinary proceedings against your North Carolina license to practice medicine. If that happens, this letter may be entered into evidence in determining the appropriate discipline.

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This letter is a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the North Carolina General Statutes and is subject to public inspection and dissemination as required by that law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cheryl L. Walker-McGill, M.D." The signature is written in a cursive style.

Cheryl L. Walker-McGill, M.D.  
Board President

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