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Press Release

BOARD ISSUES NOTICE OF PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY ACTION - REVOCATION *OBCE Case# 2025-5001*

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The Oregon Board of Chiropractic Examiners (OBCE or Board) is the state agency responsible for licensing and regulating the chiropractic profession with a primary mission of public protection. Disciplinary decisions are made by a seven-member board consisting of five chiropractic physicians and two public members.

At its April 23-24, 2025, regularly scheduled Board meeting, the Board voted to issue Robert Sanders (Licensee) a Notice of Proposed Disciplinary Action: revocation of license and a civil penalty of \$320,000.

Licensee was employed as a chiropractic physician when he engaged in multiple instances of sexual misconduct, sexual violations, and sexual impropriety against numerous patients, repeatedly over time, and despite patient requests that he stop. This misconduct was both verbal and physical, and it occurred in the office during treatments as well as outside the office. Licensee threatened patients to prevent their disclosing this misconduct. Licensee also engaged in gross negligence and in a pattern of careless indifference to the health and safety of patients by roughly, aggressively, and painfully adjusting vulnerable patients with preexisting injuries. Despite the Board emergency suspending Licensee from the practice on January 30, 2025, Licensee has continued to practice, in violation of that Order.

The Board found that Licensee has violated OAR 811-035-0015(1), 811-035-0015(11), 811-035-0015(24); OAR 811-035-0019, 811-035-0019(1)(a), 811-035-0019(2), 811-035-0019(3)(g), 811-035-0019(3)(l), 811-035-0019(4)(d),(e),(g),(h) and (i), and ORS 684.100(1)(f)(A), ORS 684.100(1)(q) and ORS 684.100(1)(p).

Licensee has 30 days to request a hearing before an administrative law judge to contest the OBCE's notice.

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