

Dr. Susan BELL

Charges

Date Charge(s) Laid: Hearing: Charge(s): Outcome Date: March 20, 2021 June 18, 2021 Unprofessional Conduct June 18, 2021

The Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons directs that, pursuant to section 47.5 of **The Medical Profession Act, 1981**, the Discipline Committee hear the following charges against Dr. Susan Bell, namely:

You Dr. Susan Bell are guilty of unbecoming, improper, unprofessional or discreditable conduct contrary to the provisions of section 46(o) and/or 46(p) of **The Medical Profession Act, 1981**, S.S. 1980-81, c. M-10.1, and/or paragraph 37 of bylaw 7.1 (as it existed prior to December 6, 2019), and/or bylaw 8.1(b)(xii) of the Regulatory Bylaws of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan, particulars whereof are that you failed to respond in a timely manner to one or more requests for reports or information from third parties and/or failed to respond to messages left for you in relation to medical reports for two children related to their possible adoption.

The evidence that will be led in support of this charge will include some or all of the following:

- 1) In or about July or August 2019 you received one or two letters from the Department of Social Services asking you to provide any and all records related to a child for the purposes of the child's adoption.
- 2) You did not respond to that letter or letters.
- 3) On or about April 6, 2020 a person seeking to adopt two children sent an email message to your office related to medical examinations for two children being considered for adoption.
- 4) You did not respond to the email message.
- 5) In or about June of 2020 an individual seeking to adopt two children left telephone messages with your office related to medical reports for the children.
- 6) You did not respond to those telephone messages.
- 7) In the period prior to July 13, 2020 a social worker, Laura Mehnke, left telephone messages at your office related to medical reports for children being considered for adoption.

- 8) You did not respond to the telephone messages.
- 9) In the period prior to July 13, 2020 a childcare worker with the Department of Social Services left a telephone message at your office related to medical reports for children being considered for adoption.
- 10) You did not respond to the telephone message.
- 11) You failed to exercise due diligence to ensure that messages or letters were brought to your attention.
- 12) You failed to exercise due diligence to respond to messages or letters related to the adoption of the two children.