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Dr. Ashif Shiraz Jaffer sanctioned for failing to meet expected standard of patient care

Edmonton, AB – Dr. Ashif Shiraz Jaffer, a family physician from Medicine Hat, admitted to unprofessional conduct and was sanctioned by a CPSA Hearing Tribunal.

When assessing a patient in the emergency department at the Medicine Hat Regional Hospital in 2021, Dr. Jaffer attributed the patient's abdominal pain to dehydration and heat exhaustion, discharged the patient without adequate medical evidence to support that decision, and failed to record a discussion of the risk of discharge in the patient's chart.

Dr. Jaffer acknowledged that he failed to meet the expected standard of care and displayed a lack of skills and knowledge in his provision of medical services. The Hearing Tribunal accepted Dr. Jaffer's admission of unprofessional conduct and a joint submission on sanction, which includes the following:

- Dr. Jaffer will receive a reprimand.
- At his own cost, Dr. Jaffer must complete professional development courses on quality improvement, patient safety and clinical reasoning.
- Dr. Jaffer is responsible for 25 per cent of the costs of the investigation and hearing.

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