



**BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF PAKISTAN MEDICAL COMMISSION**

In the matter of

Complaint No. PF.8-1809/2019-DC-PMC

Mr. Muhammad Waqas Vs. Dr. Zaheer Ahmed Chattha

Prof. Dr. Naqib Ullah Achakzai	Chairman
Prof. Dr. Noshad Ahmad Shaikh	Member
Mr. Jawad Amin Khan	Member
Barrister Ch. Sultan Mansoor	Secretary
Expert of Medicines	

*Present:*

Mr. Muhammad Waqas	Complainant
Dr. Zaheer Ahmed Chattha (11902-P)	Respondent
Hearing dated	21.11.2022

**I. FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

1. Mr. Muhammad Waqas (the “Complainant”) filed a Complaint on 21.03.2019 against Dr. Zaheer Ahmad Chattha (the “Respondent”) working at Fazal Elahi Chattha Hospital Jaranwala, Faisalabad (the “Hospital”).
2. Complainant alleged in his complaint that he took his father-in-law (the “Patient”) to the Hospital, as per him being unwell. That the Respondent took medical tests and X-rays, and admitted the

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patient in the hospital. The Respondent treated the patient with high potency medicines and injections. Due to these medications, the patient started shivering on the spot and his condition went out of control. The doctor also misbehaved with the Complainant and refused to treat the patient anymore.

3. Owing to the high potency medications, patient's one leg got handicapped and after 25 days his stomach spoiled and on 09.02.2019, the patient died.

## II. NOTICE TO RESPONDENT, DR. ZAHEER AHMED

4. In view of the allegations leveled in the complaint, Notice dated 16.07.2019 was issued to the Respondent doctor, directing him to submit comments, record of the patient along with the copy of his registration certificate.

## III. REPLY OF RESPONDENT, DR. ZAHEER AHMAD

5. The Respondent, Dr. Zaheer Ahmad submitted his reply to the Notice on 30.07.2019 wherein he contended that:
  - a) *The application by the Complainant is incorrect, baseless and contrary to facts. Dr. Nisar Ahmed Chatha (father of the Respondent, working in the same hospital) checked up the patient and submitted reports etc. and due to the poor and helpless nature of the patient, the patient was given free check-up and ORT etc. The receipt of the doctor's prescription attached to the application, clearly states that the patient is not admitted to the Hospital. The respondent and Dr. Nisar Ahmed, are qualified doctors and the information about the high-risk/high potency prescription to the patient is incorrect.*
  - b) *The amount of Rs 32,790/- has never been received from the patient as a fee and abusing patients is neither our hospital's nor our family's tradition. After taking medications and conducting tests, the patient went to his house, in a good state.*
  - c) *The present Complainant had earlier filed an application against the Respondent to the Deputy Commissioner, Faisalabad in Reference No. 2019/438/ (4818) DC/CC/MISC dated 2019-01-31 which was appropriately marked and Respondent was heard in District Health Officer's office (Jaranwala) on 08.02.2018. After the inquiry, Report was submitted to the District Health Authority, Faisalabad on 19-*

02-2019 in which the allegations of the present Complainant were found to be untrue, and freed the respondent of the allegations.


- d) Thereafter, the Complainant applied for registration of a case against the respondent at Jaranwala, Police station. However, on non-registration of case, Complainant filed a petition for registration of FIR in the Sessions Court, Jaranwala. The Court called for a report from the police, in which the SHO marked the Respondent as innocent. Complainant then, withdrew his petition, fearing that the petition would be dismissed under pretext that he wanted to apply in the Police Complaints Commission, Faisalabad. So, Complainant's petition for FIR was withdrawn.
- e) Thereafter, the Complainant filed an application against Dr. Nisar Ahmed Chatha and me (Respondent) in the Punjab Healthcare Commission. In these proceedings, Complainant has submitted altered/ twisted version as compared to his affidavit in the Commission.
- f) In the present Complaint, the Complainant said that he himself came to the Hospital, paid the amount himself and Dr. Zabeer Ahmad gave the medicine and received the money. However, in the Punjab Healthcare Commission, Complainant says that his mother-in-law took the patient to the hospital and the fee was paid by her mother-in-law and the applicant went home with his mother-in-law from outside the hospital. So, the Complainant has previously submitted applications on various forums which were rejected, being wrong.
- g) The Complainant has concealed the facts by not informing the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council about all these above facts. If the patient's condition was like this, then the applicant would not have taken the patient to his home to save him from suffering, but would have gone to any other hospital in the area, but since the patient did not want to do such a thing, this is the reason, he took him home.
- h) The application is frivolous, the applicant is blackmailing and wants to harm the reputation of the hospital. Accordingly, it is requested to dismiss this complaint and take action against the Complainant for initiating frivolous complaint at the Council.

#### IV. REJOINDER OF THE COMPLAINANT

6. The reply of the Respondent doctor was forwarded to the complainant on 03.09.2019 for his rejoinder, however no rejoinder has been received, till date.

#### V. HEARING

7. The matter was fixed for hearing before the Disciplinary Committee for 21.11.2022. Notices dated 14.11.2022 were issued to the Complainant and Respondent Dr. Zaheer Ahmad directing them to appear before the Disciplinary Committee on 21.11.2022.
8. On the date of hearing, the Complainant and the Respondent were present in person.
9. The Committee heard the Complainant and the Respondent; however, it is observed that the relevant medical record of the patient has not been submitted. In absence of the medical record, it is therefore, not possible to reach a conclusion.
10. Accordingly, DC needs to further deliberate this matter in light of the medical evidences. The instant case is adjourned till the next meeting of the Disciplinary Committee and we direct the Medical Superintendent of Allied Hospital to submit the complete medical record, regarding diagnosis and the cause of death of the patient. Adjourned.

  
Prof. Dr. Noshad Ahmad Shaikh

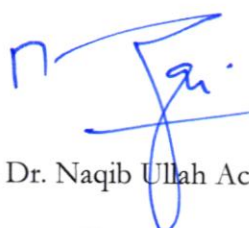
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21/11 ~~December~~, 2022