



**Report of the Fitness to Practise Committee
following an Inquiry held pursuant to Part 8
of the Medical Practitioners Act 2007**

Registered Medical Practitioner:	Dr Vikas Gobin
Registration Number:	403967
Registered Address:	C/o James Keane UCH Galway Newcastle Road Galway City
Date of Inquiry:	18 th June, 2015
Members of Inquiry Committee:	Mr John Nisbet (Chair) Ms Mary Buckley Mr Brendan Healy
Legal Assessor:	Mr Seamus Woulfe SC
Appearances - For the Chief Executive:	Mr Frank Kennedy BL instructed by Mc Dowell Purcell Solicitors.
For the Practitioner:	Self represented

Findings of the Committee:

Allegation 1a: That Dr Gobin engaged in threatening, abusive and/or insulting behaviour towards Mr Sean O'Brien, member of the security team in the public house

Allegation 1a was proven as to fact.

Reason: Admitted by Dr Gobin

Allegation 1b: That Dr Gobin refused and/or failed to vacate the public house in an orderly manner when requested to do so by Mr Sean O'Brien;

Allegation 1b was proven as to fact.

Reason: Admitted by Dr Gobin

Allegation 1c: That Dr Gobin attempted to head-butt Mr Sean O'Brien when he was escorting Dr Gobin from the public house

Allegation 1c was not proven as to fact.

Reason: The Committee do not find this proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

Allegation 1d: That Dr Gobin bit into Mr Sean O'Brien's left dorsal forearm and/or continued to bite into Mr O'Brien's arm for approximately one minute

Allegation 1d was proven as to fact.

Reason: Admitted by Dr Gobin

Allegation 1e: That Dr Gobin was arrested in a public place, which resulted in him being investigated by An Garda Síochána for public order offences and/or assault

Allegation 1e was withdrawn.

The allegation of professional misconduct is:

In relation to one or more of the factual allegations at 1 (a.-d) listed above:

- i. you engaged in conduct which doctors of experience, competence and good repute consider disgraceful or dishonourable; and/or
- ii. your conduct amounted to a serious falling short of the standards of conduct expected among doctors

The Committee found that this allegation was not proven.

Reason: The Committee do not find this proven beyond a reasonable doubt



Chairperson

Date: 18th June, 2015
