

College of Paramedics of Nova Scotia

Consent Reprimand

ANGUS, Aidan

Sydney, Nova Scotia

CPNS Registration Number: 32721

On September 8, 2021, the Investigation Committee of the College of Paramedics of Nova Scotia (CPNS) ordered, pursuant to section 67(6)(a)(i) of the *Paramedics Regulations*, and with the consent of Mr. Angus, that he receive a reprimand for falsely documenting information in a patient record.

Following a call involving a patient who was treated on scene and not transported to the hospital, Mr. Angus discovered that he and his partner may have breached a workplace policy regarding the appropriate steps to take in such circumstances. In an attempt to avoid any ramifications for this potential error, Mr. Angus admitted that he intentionally documented false information in the Patient Care Report which suggested that the patient was not treated by paramedics on the scene. Mr. Angus self-reported this error to CPNS. Based on his admission and the documentation related to this incident, the Committee was satisfied that Mr. Angus breached the *Code of Ethics* and the *Standards* related to documentation, accountability in practice, and critical judgment.

The Committee determined that under these circumstances, Mr. Angus' breach of the *Code of Ethics* and *Standards of Practice* was unprofessional and dishonourable, and that pursuant to s. 67(4)(g) of the *Regulations*, there is sufficient evidence that, if proven, would constitute professional misconduct. The Committee therefore determined that a reprimand was the appropriate outcome in this situation.

On November 10, 2021, Mr. Angus consented to the reprimand.