

MEDICAL BOARD STAFF REPORT

DATE REPORT ISSUED: December 29, 2022

ATTENTION: Members, Medical Board of California

SUBJECT: Special Faculty Permit Review Committee
Recommendation

STAFF CONTACT: Marina O'Connor, Chief of Licensing

REQUESTED ACTION:

Review the Special Faculty Permit Review Committee's (SFPRC) recommendation for a Special Faculty Permit (SFP) appointment for Teodor Pantchev Grantcharov, M.D., Ph.D., pursuant to California and Business Professions Code (BPC) section 2168.1(a)(1)(B).

BACKGROUND:

The Medical Board of California (Board) is authorized to issue an SFP to a physician who is academically eminent and meets all the requirements pursuant to BPC section 2168.1.

The SFP authorizes an individual to practice medicine only within the medical school and its affiliated institutions where the SFP holder is providing instruction as part of the medical school's educational program, and for which the medical school has assumed direct responsibility.

The SFPRC is comprised of 14 members: one representative from each of the 11 medical schools in California, one representative from academic medical centers, and two Board members. The SFPRC reviews and makes recommendations to the Board regarding the eligibility of the applicants applying pursuant to BPC section 2168.1(a)(1)(B).

On December 14, 2022, the SFPRC reviewed the qualifications of an applicant from the Stanford University School of Medicine (Stanford). Marina O'Connor, Chief of Licensing for the Medical Board of California, presented Stanford's request for Dr. Grantcharov to receive an SFP. Ms. O'Connor indicated that Dr. Grantcharov is internationally recognized for his clinical and research expertise in surgery, specializing in minimally invasive and bariatric surgery. Linda M. Boxer, M.D., Ph.D., Vice Dean and Professor of Medicine (Hematology) at Stanford recommended Dr. Grantcharov's appointment to the Department of Surgery, Division of General Surgery, based on his academic accomplishments and clinical expertise.

In his role at Stanford, Dr. Grantcharov will serve as an Associate Chief Quality Officer in Innovation at the Stanford Health Care CMO office; attend Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery (MIS) service in the clinic and operating room; attend call-in rotations

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with MIS and general surgery; submit proposals for research initiatives; and provide lectures and mentorship to fellows, residents, and students.

Dr. Grantcharov currently serves as the Director of Innovation and Quality of Perioperative Services, Keenan Chair in Surgery, and is the Director at the International Centre for Surgical Safety at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto, Canada. He also holds many other roles at various medical entities in Toronto. Dr. Grantcharov established the International Centre for Surgical Safety at the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute of St. Michael's Hospital, where he served as the inaugural director, and he invented the OR Black Box, which was named Time's best invention in 2019. He has an extensive body of published research, with over 170 peer-reviewed publications, and has received numerous awards and grants, which exemplify his distinguished academic and professional standing.

If approved for an SFP by the Board, Dr. Grantcharov will hold a full-time faculty position as Professor in the Department of Surgery and Division of General Surgery at the Stanford University School of Medicine.

EDUCATION:

Medical School: Medical University of Plovdiv, Bulgaria
 Doctor of Medicine: 1996

Postgraduate Study: University of Copenhagen, Denmark
 General Surgery: 1997 – 2005

University of Aarhus, Faculty of Health Sciences, Denmark
 Doctor of Philosophy, Medicine: 2003

Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pennsylvania
 Minimally Invasive Surgery: 2005 - 2006

SPECIAL FACULTY PERMIT REVIEW COMMITTEE FINDINGS:

The SFPRC recommended approval of Dr. Grantcharov for an SFP at the Stanford University School of Medicine, pursuant to BPC section 2168.1(a)(1)(B).