

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF VETERINARY SURGEONS**

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**MR LYNDON ARTHUR BASHA MRCVS**

**CHARGE SHEET**

**That being registered in the Register of Veterinary Surgeons:-**

1. You failed to provide adequate professional care and/or failed to have regard to animal welfare in your management and/or treatment of animals, more particularly:
  - a. in respect of Alfie, a cat belonging to Ms R:
    - i. between the beginning of November 1996 and December 2001 you prescribed antibiotics when there were no clinical signs demonstrated by Alfie, described by Alfie's owner and/or noted in your clinical notes which required antibiotics; and/or
    - ii. between the beginning of November 1996 and December 2001 you prescribed antibiotics to Alfie when there could be no benefit to him from receiving antibiotics over such an extended period; and/or
    - iii. between the beginning of November 1996 and December 2001 you prescribed antibiotics to Alfie without explanation to Ms R of any alternative to treatment with antibiotics over such an extended period; and/or
    - iv. between July 2000 and December 2001 you prescribed Vetmedin to Alfie, when Vetmedin was a medication not licensed for use in cats; and
      - without applying the principles of the cascade system and/or
      - explaining to the owner that Vetmedin was not licensed for use in cats; and/or
    - v. in or around November 1996, having represented to the owner of Alfie that you would arrange an ECG scan of Alfie and charged for so doing, you failed to ensure that a proper record of the said scan was kept with Alfie's notes;

And/or

- b. in respect of Rusty, a Jack Russell dog owned by Mr and Ms W:
  - i. you included in the clinical records for Rusty an entry for 6 September 2002 – "Lipomas removed under chest" – when lipomata were not removed from Rusty's chest until at least December 2002; and/or

- ii. you failed to include the removal of teeth in the clinical notes for September 2002; and/or
- iii. between the beginning of July 2003 and January 2004 you failed to discuss all appropriate treatment options in relation to the bloating of his abdomen with Mr and Ms W; and/or
- iv. between the beginning of July 2003 and January 2004 you failed to refer Rusty to an appropriate specialist in relation to the bloating of his abdomen.

And/or

- c. Having examined Frankie, a cross-breed dog presented to you by Miss S, on 18 February 2003, you made a diagnosis of benign prostatic hyperplasia and suggested treatment with antibiotic tablets, anti-androgen and anti-inflammatory injections, when you knew or ought to have known that there was insufficient clinical basis for such a diagnosis and suggested treatment.
2. You failed to take adequate steps to maintain a relationship of trust between yourself and the owner of Bonnie, a lurcher bitch owned by Ms S, and/or uphold the good reputation of the veterinary profession, more particularly:
- a. between November 2001 and February 2002
    - (i) you dishonestly represented to Ms S that you had received test results relating to triple phosphate urolithiasis for Bonnie from a laboratory and/or laboratories external to the Goddard Veterinary Group; and/or
    - (ii) between November 2001 and February 2002 you dishonestly caused or permitted Ms S to be invoiced for such external laboratory tests when you had not received such results; and/or
  - b. on approximately 23 October 2002 you dishonestly represented to Ms S that you had received test results for Bonnie indicating that she had tested positive for canine herpes virus, when you had not received such test results.
3. You failed to provide adequate professional care in that your clinical notes were inadequate for the purposes of any locum or superseding veterinary surgeon taking on or maintaining treatment or care of the animal concerned, more particularly:
- a. between October 1996 and December 2001 your clinical notes in relation to Alfie; and/or
  - b. between August 2002 and January 2004 your clinical notes in relation to Rusty; and/or
  - c. in 1999 your clinical notes in relation to Perdita, a female cat; and/or

- d. in approximately August 1999 your clinical notes in relation to Becky, a bitch; and/or
  - e. in approximately May 2001 your clinical notes in relation to Benji, a Siamese cat were inadequate.
4. On occasions between January 1999 and June 2001, you certified insurance claim forms which contained inaccurate and/or misleading details, and/or you instructed a colleague to complete an insurance claim form with inaccurate and/or misleading details, more particularly:
- a. in 1999 you certified an insurance claim form for Perdita, a female cat, which included a claim for treatment of acute sneezing under an ongoing claim for dermatophytosis;
  - b. on approximately 3 November 1999, you certified an insurance claim form for Becky, a bitch, which included a claim for a cat laparotomy under the heading of an ongoing claim for degenerative joint disease;
  - c. between February 2001 and May 2001, you asked veterinary nurse Ms F to complete false details on an insurance claim form, namely details of a cat named Missy, when you had not given the treatment claimed on the form to Missy, but rather to another, uninsured cat;
  - d. on approximately 2 May 2001, you certified an insurance claim form for Benji a Siamese cat, for the removal of a lump, under an ongoing insurance claim for renal failure.

**AND THAT in respect of each of the above numbered charges, either individually or in any combination, you have been guilty of disgraceful conduct in a professional respect.**

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