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Doctor accused of fondling sedated women gets license back

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PROVIDENCE, RI -- The state medical board has restored the license of an anesthesiologist accused of having inappropriate contact with women while they were under sedation in the operating room.

Dr. Russel J. Aubin lost his license in 2005 after the state Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline concluded he had fondled a woman's breasts while she was awake but sedated, undergoing knee surgery at Kent Hospital. A Massachusetts woman reported a similar experience years earlier.

In a criminal proceeding, Aubin was acquitted of second-degree sexual assault. But a civil court upheld the license revocation.

Last year, Aubin gave the board evidence that "he has undergone extensive training in patient boundary issues" and that he was found psychologically fit. He currently practices in Guam.



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