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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

B. HEIDT, R.N.,
RESPONDENT.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
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The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stats. sec. 227.53 are:

*B. Heidt
1643 Moore Street
Beloit, WI 54923-9433*

*Wisconsin Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935*

*Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935*

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable. Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. B. Heidt (D.O.B. 11/30/52) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a registered nurse (license # 68259). This license was first granted on September 16, 1977.
2. Respondent's latest address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 1643 Moore Street, Beloit, WI 54923-9433.
3. Respondent was the subject of back surgery in August, 1994. According to her physician, Respondent's present medical condition includes instability of her upper lumbar spine above a fusion site as well as continuing incidence of sciatica and myofacial pain. As a result of her medical condition Respondent requires narcotic analgesia for treatment of intractable pain. Respondent's physician reported in May, 1998, that Respondent is disabled from full time employment but is able to manage daily living activities.
4. Respondent's medication regimen since 1994 has principally been as follows:

Prozac, 30mg daily

Parafon Forte, 2 q 4h prn

Duragesic 50, one patch q 3 days

Dilaudid 4 mg, up to 16 daily

Synthroid 0.1 mg q a.m.

Premarin 0.625 mg daily

Fastin 30 mg daily

Trazadone 200 mg q hs

Zyflo for asthma

Zyrtec

Inderal 20 mg bid

Ambien 10 mg prn for sleep

Loxapine 40 mg q hs

Phenargen HCL 25 mg IM for nausea

Respondent has also been prescribed the following on occasion during the period:

Zantac 150 mg

Guifesen 600 mg

Seldane

Flexeral

Lufyllin 400 mg

Fioricet

Atarax

Cardizem CD

Respondent has personally visited her physician at least twice a month during the period. It does not appear that dosages of individual drugs exceed PDR guidelines.

5. Respondent is not currently employed as a nurse and has not sought nursing employment since 1995.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

By the conduct described above, B. Heidt is subject to disciplinary action against her license to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 441.07(1)(b) and Wis. Adm. Code sec. N 7.03(2) and N 7.04 (15).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the license of Respondent to practice as a nurse in the state of Wisconsin is LIMITED as follows:

1. Until further Order of the Board, Respondent shall not engage in the clinical practice of nursing.
2. Respondent may petition the Board for modification of this limited license. Any such petition shall be accompanied by a current evaluation of Respondent's condition by a licensed physician approved by the Board. The petition shall contain proof satisfactory to the Board that Respondent is able to safely and reliably engage in the clinical practice of nursing.

3. Respondent shall provide her nursing employers with a copy of this Order before engaging in any nursing employment.
4. Respondent shall report to the Board any change in employment status, residence address or telephone number within five (5) days of the date of a change.
5. The rights of a party aggrieved by this Decision to petition the Board for rehearing and to petition for judicial review are set forth on the attached "Notice of Appeal Information".
6. This Order shall become effective upon the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By

Timothy D. Burns, CRNA

July 21, 1999

A Member of the Board

Date