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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

CATHERINE A. LEVELIUS, 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:

*Catherine A. Levelius
132 Cambridge Avenue
Apt. 103
Waukesha, WI 53188*

*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. Catherine A. Levelius (D.O.B. 03/12/67) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a registered nurse (license # 125685). This license was first granted on March 11, 1997.
2. Respondent's latest address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 132 Cambridge Avenue, Apartment 103, Waukesha, WI 53188.
3. During the period 12/23/97 to 2/08/99, and while on duty as a registered nurse at St. Marys Medical Clinic – West Allis, Respondent issued at least 61 false prescription orders for Esgic-Plus, a barbiturate, in quantities of 30 to 40 tablets per prescription. Respondent used the name of a clinic physician as the prescriber and issued the prescription orders in the name of her husband. The drugs were reportedly used by Respondent's husband to treat tension headaches.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

By the conduct described above, Catherine A. Levelius 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 (d), and Wis. Adm. Code sec. N 7.04(1), (2) and (15).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that :

1. The license of Catherine A. Levelius to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin is SUSPENDED for a period of thirty days.

2. The license of Respondent to practice as a nurse in the state of Wisconsin is LIMITED as follows:

a. Respondent shall certify to the Board the successful completion of an approved course of training in nursing ethics, within 6 months of the date of this order. Within 2 months of the date of this Order, Respondent shall submit to the Board designee an outline of the required training for approval, which shall contain the name of the institution providing the instruction, the name of the instructor, and the course content.

Failure by Respondent to fully and timely comply with the training requirements of this Order shall result in the suspension of Respondent's license to practice as a nurse without further notice or hearing, until such time as full compliance with the provisions of this Order has been attained.

b. For a period of one year following the date of this Order Respondent shall arrange for her nursing employer to provide formal written reports to the Department Monitor in the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708-8935 on a quarterly basis, as directed by the Department Monitor. The reports shall assess Respondent's work performance.

c. Respondent shall provide her nursing employers with a copy of this Order before engaging in any nursing employment.

3. 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".

4. This Order shall become effective upon the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Timothy D. Burns, CRNA,

Board Chair

November 5, 1999

Date