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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST:

ROCHELLE D. WELLNER, L.P.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:

Rochelle D. Wellner
4302 Barby Lane
Madison, WI 53704

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. Rochelle D. Wellner (D.O.B. 01/17/58) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a licensed practical nurse (license # 31124). This license was first granted on November 22, 1991.
2. Respondent's latest address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 4302 Barby Lane, Madison, WI 54704.
3. On May 15, 2000, while employed as a practical nurse with the Mendota Mental Health Institute, Respondent discovered that the pill count for Buspar was short. Respondent made up for the short count by taping a Cogentin tablet to a Buspar unit dose package for patient GB. The discrepancy was discovered by another nurse before the medication was administered.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

By the conduct described above, Rochelle D. Wellner is subject to disciplinary action against her license to

practice as a licensed practical nurse in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 441.07(1)(b), (c) and (d), and Wis. Adm. Code sec. N 7.03(1)(a), (b), (e), and N 7.04(15).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that :

1. Rochelle D. Wellner is REPRIMANDED.

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 medication administration and documentation within 9 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 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. Until certification of completion of the required training, Respondent shall engage in direct patient care only under the direct supervision of a registered nurse.

c. For the period of one year from the date of this Order Respondent shall cause to be submitted, on a quarterly basis as directed by the Department Monitor, reports from her nursing employers assessing her work performance.

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

e. All reports required by this Order shall be filed with the Department Monitor, Division of Enforcement, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935; telephone: (608) 261-7938.

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: Ann Brewer

11-03-00

A Member of the Board

Date