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BEFORE THE STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER 0001577

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

VELVA ENGEL, T.P.N.,
RESPONDENT.

FINAL DECISION
AND ORDER

The parties in this matter have agreed to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed the Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On August 29, 1981, Ms. Engel was working as a practical nurse at Memorial Nursing Home, Medford, Wisconsin. Between 4:00 and 4:30 p.m., Ms. Engel approached resident E.T. (hereinafter the resident) to administer medications. The resident refused the medications.
2. Ms. Engel then pinched the resident's nose shut and held her head back until the resident opened her mouth.
3. Ms. Engel then put the medication and water into the resident's mouth.
4. The resident spit out the water and medication, and
5. Ms. Engel slapped the resident on the face.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

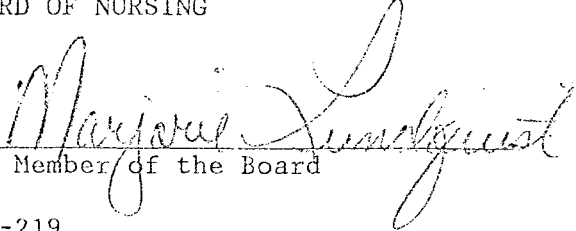
The conduct described above constitutes unprofessional conduct and unfitness by reason of negligence under Wis. Stats. secs. 441.07(c) and (d) and Wis. Adm. Code sec. N 11.03(1)(f).

Therefore, it is hereby ORDERED that

The license of Velva Engel is Suspended for sixty (60) days, to commence upon the date of service of this order.

BOARD OF NURSING

By


A Member of the Board

Date

3/26/82

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

VELVA ENGEL, T.P.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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STIPULATION
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It is hereby stipulated between Velva Engel, acting on her own behalf, and Steven M. Gloe, attorney for the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement, as follows that:

1. Velva Engel is duly licensed as a trained practical nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license #3754); the State Board of Nursing issued this license on January 25, 1961.

2. This Stipulation shall be submitted to the Board of Nursing to form the basis for the final decision and order of the Board in this matter.

3. If the terms of the stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of the stipulation, and the matter shall be returned to the Division of Enforcement for further action.

4. If the Board accepts the terms of the stipulation, the parties to this action consent to the entry of the attached final decision and order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties.

5. This stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation of Ms. Engel's practice by the Division of Enforcement (#81 Nurse 63). Ms. Engel consents to the resolution of this investigation by stipulation and without the issuance of a formal complaint, and waives her right to a hearing based on a complaint.

6. Ms. Engel agrees that she will not contest the following allegations relevant to the Division of Enforcement investigation (#81 Nurse 63):

- a) On August 29, 1981 Ms. Engel was working as a practical nurse at Memorial Nursing Home, Medford, Wisconsin. Between 4:00 and 4:30 p.m., Ms. Engel approached resident E.T. (hereinafter "the resident") in the dining room to administer medications. The resident refused the medications.

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- b) Ms. Engel then pinched the resident's nose shut and held her head back until the resident opened her mouth.
- c) Ms. Engel then put medication and water into the resident's mouth.
- d) The resident spit out the water and medications, and
- e) Ms. Engel slapped the resident on the face.
- f) Ms. Engel understands that the conduct described in this paragraph constitutes patient abuse, in that she used excessive and inappropriate methods to deal with the patient; the conduct described provides grounds for the imposition of discipline against her license under Wisconsin Statutes 441.07(c) and (d).

7. The Division of Enforcement recommends the license of Ms. Engel be suspended for sixty (60) days.

Velva Engel
Velva Engel, T.P.N., Respondent

3/11/82
Date

Steven M. Gloe
Steven M. Gloe, Attorney
Division of Enforcement

3/15/82
Date