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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

KAREN ANN CRESSY, LPN FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
RESPONDENT LS0001071NUR

Division of Enforcement Case No. 99 NUR 145

The parties to this action for the purposes of section 227.53 of the Wisconsin statute are:

Karen Ann Cressy
8326 W. Morgan Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53220

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
PO 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. Karen Ann Cressy (DOB 02-28-55) is duly licensed as a practical nurse in the state of Wisconsin (license #21566). This license was first granted on April 18, 1979.
2. Ms. Cressy’s most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is 8326 W. Morgan Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53220.
3. On April 30, 1995, Ms. Cressy’s nursing registration expired. Ms. Cressy did not renew her registration until on or about July 19, 1999. Ms. Cressy admits she worked as a registered nurse at Community Care Organization, 1555 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53220 during the time her license was expired.
4. In resolution of this matter, Ms. Cressy consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Karen Ann Cressy, by the conduct described above, has violated sec. 441.10(3)(b), Stats. and Wisconsin Administrative Code § N 7.04(15).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Karen Ann Cressy, L.P.N. is REPRIMANDED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the license of Ms. Cressy is LIMITED as follows:

1. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall submit documentation to the Board certifying that she has notified the following of her work as a nurse without current registration:
 - a. All employers where Respondent worked as a nurse between April 30, 1995 and July 19, 1999;
 - b. All private insurance carriers (if any) who provided coverage and paid for nursing services performed by Respondent during the time period between April 30, 1995 and July 19, 1999; and
 - c. E.D.S. Federal, 6406 Bridge Road, Madison, WI 53784, if Medicare/Medicaid provided coverage and paid for nursing services performed by Respondent during the time period between April 30, 1995 and July 19, 1999.
2. Within ninety (90) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall submit proof of conducting a presentation of a nursing staff in-service acceptable to the Board on the subject of the importance of maintaining current licensure, and the potential consequences of practice without current licensure registration.
3. Within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order, Respondent shall pay partial costs of this proceeding in the amount of one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars. **Payment shall be made via certified check or money order and shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing,** and mailed to Department Monitor, Division of Enforcement, PO Box 8935, Madison WI 53708-8935.
4. This Order shall become effective upon the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Ann Brewer, RN January 7, 2000
A member of the Board Date