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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF  
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

KARYN BERLAND, R.N.,

Respondent

ORDER GRANTING STAY

AND MODIFYING LIMITATIONS

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On July 9, 1998, the Board of Nursing issued its Final Decision and Order in the above-captioned matter. By the terms of the board's order, respondent's license to practice as a registered nurse in Wisconsin was suspended for an indefinite period, with provision for successive three-month stays of the suspension conditioned upon compliance with certain conditions and limitations on the license. Among these were that respondent participate in a recognized program for the treatment of chemical dependency, that she participate in psychotherapy once per week, and that she participate in program of random witnessed monitoring for controlled substances and alcohol in her blood or urine on a frequency of not less than once per week.

On March 3, 2000, the board considered Ms. Berland's request for a three month stay of the suspension of her license, and her further request that the number of required therapy sessions be reduced to one every two weeks. By its Order dated March 10, 2000, the board granted the stay and reduced the required frequency of therapy sessions to one every two weeks.

On September 1, 2000, the board considered Ms. Berland's request for a further stay of the suspension of her license, and considered as well her requests for a further reduction in the number of required therapy sessions and in the number of required urine screens. The board reduced the number of required therapy sessions is from one per week to one per month; and reduced the number of required urine screens to two screens per month.

On November 3, 2000, the board considered Ms. Berland's request for restoration of full licensure or, in the alternative, a further three month stay of the suspension. The board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the suspension of the license of Karyn Berland, R.N., to practice as a professional nurse in Wisconsin, is hereby stayed for a further period of three months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the provision of the board's Order requiring that Ms. Berland refrain from access to or the administration of controlled substances in her work setting is hereby terminated, and Ms. Berland may henceforth have access to and may administer controlled substances in her employment setting.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2000.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Ann Brewer, RN,

Chair