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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MARY J. SWEERE, RN,

Respondent

ORDER SUSPENDING THE LICENSE

On September 1, 2000, 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 a minimum of once each week, that she attend AA or NA meetings each 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 each week.

On July 9, 2001, and October 4, 2001, the board granted Ms. Sweere's requests for further three month stays of the suspension of her license.

On January 3, 2002, the board granted Ms. Sweere's request for a further three month stay of the suspension of her license; and her further request for a reduction in the number of required therapy sessions.

On March 15, 2002, the board granted Ms. Sweere's request for a further stay of suspension.

On July 11, 2002, the board granted Ms. Sweere's request for a further stay, and her further requests that her work setting be approved, and that the number of required urine screens and therapy sessions each be reduced to two per month.

On August 9, 2002, the board considered evidence, including an admission by Ms. Sweere, that she had relapsed to the use of Fentanyl for a period of two weeks after July 31, 2002. Based upon all information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the stay of the suspension of the license of Mary J. Sweere, RN, to practice as a professional nurse in Wisconsin is lifted, and Ms. Sweere's license is hereby suspended

Dated this 19th day of August, 2002.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN
Chair