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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :

: ORDER DENYING

BETTY L. COUILLARD, RN, : REINSTATEMENT

RESPONDENT :

The Board of Nursing filed its Final Decision and Order in this matter on March 1, 2002. By the terms of the board's Order, Ms. Couillard's license was limited to require that within one year from the effective date of the Order, Respondent submit proof of conducting at least three presentations of nursing staff in-services acceptable to the Board on subject areas pre-approved by the Board as relevant to the findings of the order. Course presentations were required to be at least two [2] hours in length.

In the alternative, Respondent could submit within six months from the effective date of the Order, documentation of successful completion of at least 12 hours of continuing nursing education approved by the Board in the subject areas of patient charting and legal aspects of nursing and six hours in caring for patients with circulatory problems, or in other areas approved by the Board. To be acceptable, a course shall be pre-approved by a member or designated agent of the Board of Nursing.

On May 9, 2003, the board considered Ms. Couillard's compliance with the terms of the Order. As of March 1, 2003, Ms. Couillard had completed 7.6 hours in charting and legal aspects of nursing, and four hours in caring for patients with circulatory problems. Ms. Couillard also completed and submitted other coursework which had not been approved by the board and which Ms. Couillard was informed were unacceptable. Accordingly, it is ordered as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that coursework completed by Ms. Couillard which was not approved by the board is not acceptable in satisfaction of the board's Order, and the limitations on Ms. Couillard's license remain in place.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2003.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, RN
Chair