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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF	:	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	FINAL DECISION AND
	:	ORDER
PAUL W. ZIPTER, R.N.,	:	LS0302078NUR
RESPONDENT	:	

The parties to this action for the purposes of § 227.53, Wis. Stats., are:

Paul W. Zipter
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Milwaukee, WI 53209

Wisconsin Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
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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. Paul W. Zipter (dob: 7/15/63) is and was at all times relevant to the facts set forth herein a registered nurse licensed in the State of Wisconsin pursuant to license #117816. This license was first granted 8/23/94.
2. Respondent denies, but the Board finds that there is sufficient evidence to establish that on 4/10/02 and while employed as a registered nurse at the Dove HealthCare nursing home in Glendale, Wisconsin, respondent diverted the controlled substance, phenobarbital, from another patient’s stock, and administered it to a patient for

whom it was not prescribed and who had a substantial history of drug abuse. Respondent also ingested the phenobarbital himself, without a prescription or any valid medical reason. When the patient suddenly became unconscious and then regained consciousness, respondent states he performed an assessment but the record shows he failed to chart the assessment or the patient’s having become unconscious.

3. Respondent has determined to surrender his license for personal reasons.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- A. The Wisconsin Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to §441.07(1)(b)(c) and(d) Wis. Stats. and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to §227.44(5), Wis. Stats.
- B. The conduct described in paragraph 2, above, violated § N 7.03(2) and N 7.04(1), (2) and (15) Wis. Adm. Code. Such conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of the Code and statutes.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the SURRENDER of the license of Paul W. Zipter to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin is ACCEPTED.

This Order shall become effective upon the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By: Linda Sanner	2-7-03
Board Chair	Date