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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF
THE APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE OF

ROBERT E. PETERS, LPN,
Applicant

ORDER GRANTING RENEWAL

The Board of Nursing issued its Order Adopting Stipulation in the above-captioned matter on March 10, 2000. By the terms of the board's Order, Mr. Peters was granted a limited license to practice as a licensed practical nurse. The term of the license was for three months, with provision for consecutive renewals of the license conditioned upon compliance with a number of limitations on the license. Applicant was required to continue successful participation in all components of a drug and alcohol treatment program at a treatment facility acceptable to the board; participate in individual and/or group therapy sessions a minimum of four times per month; attend Narcotics Anonymous and/or Alcoholic Anonymous meetings or an equivalent program for recovering professionals not less than three times per week; and submit to screens for alcohol and controlled substances not less than four times per month.

On November 3, 2000, the board considered Mr. Peters' request for a further three month renewal of his license. The board also considered evidence that from the time the license was granted on March 10, 2000, no work report and no copies of drug screens have been received. Accordingly, the board denied the request for a three month renewal by its Order dated November 14, 2000.

By letter dated December 5, 2000, Mr. Peters again requested that his license be renewed. The board considered that request on January 5, 2001, and denied the request based upon Mr. Peters' failure to submit all reports necessary to establish his full compliance with the board's Order.

On May 3, 2001, the board considered Mr. Peters' request for renewal of his limited license, and his further request that he not be required to submit to urine screens until employed as a nurse. The board granted the requests by its Order dated May 15, 2001.

By its Order dated July 24, 2001, the board granted a further three month renewal.

On November 1, 2001, the board granted Mr. Peters' requests for a further renewal, for a reduction in the number of urine screens and therapy sessions to two each per month, but denied the request for a reduction in the number of AA/UA meetings to one per week.

On May 2, 2002, the board granted Mr. Peters request for an additional three month renewal of the license.

On August 9, 2002, the board grated Mr. Peters' request for a further three month stay of the suspension. The board also granted his therapist's recommendations that the required number of urine screens, therapy sessions and AA/NA meetings each be reduced.

On May 3, 2003, the board considered Mr. Peters' requests that the license be renewed, and that the number of urine screens and therapy sessions be further decreased. Based upon all information of record herein, the board orders as follows:

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the limited license of Robert E. Peters, LPN, is hereby renewed for a further period of three months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the number of required therapy sessions is hereby reduced to one every two months.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Mr. Peters' request for a further reduction in the number of required urine screens is denied.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2003.

STATE OF WISCONSIN

BOARD OF NURSING

Linda M. Sanner, R.N.

Chair