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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
	:	
TERRY L. WEINERT, RN	:	LS0507149NUR
RESPONDENT.	:	03 NUR 136

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

Terry L. Weinert, RN
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Rice Lake, WI 54868

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

Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
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PROCEDURAL HISTORY

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. Terry L. Weinert (D.O.B. 3/10/73) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a registered nurse (license #135639). This license was first granted on 7/21/00.
2. On 5/10/03, Respondent was working as an agency nurse, and was assigned to a nursing home in Rice Lake, Wisconsin. This day was her first day at this facility. She was performing the morning medication “pass” and administered 9 medications to resident MH, who had diagnoses of CHF, chronic renal failure, hypotension with bradycardia, and atrial fibrillation. The medications were: ferrous sulfate 5gr, potassium 20 mEq, vitamin D 400 IU, calcium 500mg, a multivitamin, lisinopril/HCTZ 12/12.5, Norvasc 5mg, Effexor 75mg, and clonazepam 0.5mg.
3. In fact, the 9 medications had been prescribed for resident FS, and Respondent incorrectly identified resident MH as resident FS. Upon discovering her error a few minutes later, Respondent promptly reported it to a more senior nurse in the facility. This nurse states that he told Respondent to inform the charge nurse and compare the medications administered with those prescribed, to avoid “doubling up” on medications.
4. Respondent did not immediately inform the charge nurse, and administered the 9 medications which were prescribed for MH, approximately 30 minutes after the incorrect medications were administered. The medications were: Miacalcin spray, multivitamin, Lasix 20mg, amiodarone 200mg, Synthroid 75 mcg, prednisone 10mg, Prevacid 30 mg, Toprol XL 25mg, and prochlorperazine 5mg.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

By the conduct described above, respondent is subject to disciplinary action against her license to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stats. §441.07(1)(b) and (c), and Wis. Adm. Code § N 7.03(1)(a), (b), (c), (e).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that :

1. Terry L. Weinert, RN, is REPRIMANDED for her unprofessional conduct in this matter.
2. The license of Terry L. Weinert, RN, to practice as a nurse in the state of Wisconsin is LIMITED as follows:
 - a. Respondent shall, no later than six months from the date of this Order, satisfactorily complete six hours of continuing education in preventing and dealing with medication errors, six hours in nursing ethics, and six hours in cardiovascular problems of the elderly. The courses shall be pre-approved by the Board or its designee, through the Department Monitor, and any course taken without such pre-approval is taken entirely at Respondent's risk; the Board is not required to subsequently approve any such course.
 - b. Respondent shall provide her nursing employers with a copy of this Order before engaging in any nursing employment.
3. Violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to submit evidence of timely compliance with the ordered continuing education, the Respondent's license SHALL BE SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall pay the costs of investigating and prosecuting this matter, in the amount of \$1,100, before her license is next renewed.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By: Jacqueline Johnsrud, RN
A Member of the Board

July 14, 2005
Date