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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF	:	
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
CHERYL R. MAAS, R.N.,	:	LS06091417NUR
RESPONDENT.	:	

Division of Enforcement Cases # 03NUR260 & # 06NUR200

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

Cheryl R. Maas, R.N.
12031 North Ridge Road
Mequon, WI 53092

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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 Wisconsin Board of Nursing. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Cheryl R. Maas, R.N., (DOB 4/21/1958) is duly licensed as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin (license # 97591). This license was first granted on September 4, 1987.
2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is 12031 North Ridge Road, Mequon, WI 53092.
3. At all times relevant to this action, Respondent was working as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin
4. Respondent was employed by Bradley Health and Rehabilitation Center. During the night shift September 21, 2003-September 22, 2003, Respondent was the Noc Charge Nurse.
5. Respondent signed out Roxicet 5/325 mg tablets for seven residents in advance. Respondent documented the

medication given as follows: Patient ML at 12:00 a.m., Patient MR at 2:00 a.m., Patient GP at 1:00 a.m., Patient JH at 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., Patient OP at 2:00 a.m., Patient BJ at 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. and Patient VS at 1:00 a.m. The Respondent left the facility at 1:00 a.m. on September 25, 2003. After Respondent left the facility, the Director of Nursing could not locate the medication nor was there any indication that the Respondent gave the patients the medication.

6. On February 6, 2006, Respondent was convicted of Operating While Under the Influence (2nd offence) on October 14, 2005. Respondent is currently receiving court ordered treatment through Ozaukee County Department of Human Services.

7. Respondent was employed by Woodland Health Care Facility. On April 16, 2006, Respondent was missing from the floor and not providing nursing care to the residents for approximately two hours. When staff located the Respondent, she appeared to be impaired and was taken to the emergency room. An inventory of the medication care revealed Morphine missing. Respondent was suspended pending investigation and subsequently terminated.

8. Respondent is not currently working as a registered nurse.

9. Respondent, in consideration of her admissions to the violations of Wis. Admin. Code §§ N 7.03(2), N 7.04(1) and N 7.04(6), has tendered the voluntary surrender of her license to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to act in this matter, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation and Order, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. Falsifying patient records constitutes a violation of Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.04(6).

3. The conviction constitutes a violation of Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.04(1).

4. Practicing while impaired constitutes a violation of Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.03(2).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The voluntary surrender of Cheryl R. Maas's license to practice as a registered nurse, license #97591, in the state of Wisconsin is hereby accepted as the full and final resolution of the pending investigations, 03NUR260 and 06NUR200.

2. Cheryl R. Maas will not make reapplication for a license to practice as a registered nurse or as a licensed practical nurse in the state of Wisconsin at any time in the future, and will not practice or attempt to practice as a registered nurse or as a practical nurse in the state of Wisconsin at any time in the future.

3. The costs in this matter are waived.

4. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Board of Nursing

By: Marilyn Kaufmann
A Member of the Board

9/14/06
Date

