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IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

BRENDA LOU VANDEN LANGENBERG, R.N., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0000240

[Division of Enforcement Case # 08 NUR 200]

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

Brenda Lou Vanden Langenberg, R.N. W1520 Town Road DePere, WI 54115

Division of Enforcement Department of Regulation and Licensing 1400 East Washington Avenue P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Board of Nursing
Department of Regulation & Licensing
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
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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 of Nursing. The Board has reviewed the attached Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Brenda Lou Vanden Langenberg, R.N., Respondent, date of birth December 7, 1949, is licensed by the Wisconsin Board of Nursing as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin pursuant to license number 114536, which was first granted September 24, 1993.
- 2. Respondent's last address reported to the Department of Regulation and Licensing is W1520 Town Road, DePere, WI 54115.
- 3. At the time of the events set out below, Respondent was employed as a registered nurse at the Oneida Community Health Center in Oneida, Wisconsin, and worked as a Triage/Nurse Only.

- 4. On May 30, 2008, Respondent received a phone call from Ms. A who explained that she had requested a refill of her contraceptive Yasmin but could not get it filled until she had a Pap test first. Ms. A also advised that the pharmacy was out of Yasmin. Respondent scheduled an appointment for Ms. A with Ms. A's nurse practitioner and called in a prescription for Ortho Tricyclen, a contraceptive Ms. A had used previously, to last until her appointment. When the pharmacist asked which provider was ordering the medication, Respondent provided the name of Ms. A's nurse practitioner, not realizing the nurse practitioner was off that day.
- 5. Respondent did not obtain a signature for the prescription and failed to document in Ms. A's chart that this prescription had been written.

### **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. Respondent, by calling in a prescription without a physicians order, as set out above, has practiced beyond the scope of practice as permitted by law, in violation of Wis. Adm. Code § N 7.04(5) and is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(d).
- 3. Respondent, by failing to document the prescription in the patient's chart, as set out above, has committed negligence as defined by Wis. Adm. Code § N 7.03(1)(b) and is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(c).

#### **ORDER**

#### IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. Respondent, Brenda Lou Vanden Langenberg, R.N., is REPRIMANDED for the above conduct.
- 2. Respondent's license to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin, and her privilege to practice in Wisconsin pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact, is LIMITED as follows:
  - a. Respondent, at her own expense, shall complete four (4) hours of preapproved continuing education in nursing ethics, and four (4) hours of preapproved continuing education in scope of practice, within 90 days of the date of this Order. Respondent is responsible for finding appropriate courses and submitting the course information to the Board for approval prior to taking the course and in sufficient time to obtain board approval within the 90-day time frame, taking into account the Board's meeting schedule.
  - b. For a period of at least one (1) year from the date of this Order, Respondent shall arrange for quarterly reports from her nursing employer(s) reporting the terms and conditions of her employment and evaluating her work performance. These reports shall be submitted to the Department Monitor in the Department of Regulation and Licensing Division of Enforcement, at P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin, 53708-8935.

- c. For a period of at least one (1) year from the date of this Order, Respondent shall practice only under the direct supervision of a licensed nurse or other licensed health care professional approved by the Board or its designee and only in a work setting pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Respondent's current position with the Anna John Nursing Home is approved.
- d. Respondent shall notify the Department Monitor of any change of nursing employment during the time in which the Order is in effect. Notification shall occur within fifteen (15) days of a change of employment and shall include an explanation of the reasons for the change.
- 3. Respondent shall, within 180 days of the date of this Order, pay to the Department of Regulation and Licensing costs of this proceeding in the amount of \$600.00 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2).
- 4. Requests for approval, notification of completion of educational programs and payment shall be faxed, mailed or delivered to:

Department Monitor
Department of Regulation and Licensing
Division of Enforcement
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935
Fax (608) 266-2264
Telephone (608) 267-3817

- 5. 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 that Respondent fails to pay costs as ordered or fails to comply with the ordered continuing education, Respondent's license may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with the terms of this Order.
  - 6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Wisconsin Board of Nursing

By: Marly Kaufmann
A Member of the Board

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