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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF :
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
CATHERINE D. PRANGE, L.P.N., :
RESPONDENT. : *ORDER 0000312*

Division of Enforcement Case # 10 NUR 159

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

Catherine D. Prange, L.P.N.
W 224 S 1580 Whitehall Street
Waukesha, WI 53186

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

Board of Nursing
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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 in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Catherine D. Prange, L.P.N., (DOB 05/23/1964) is duly licensed as a practical nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license # 31-311143). This license was first granted on July 17, 2009.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is W 224 S 1580 Whitehall Street, Waukesha, Wisconsin, 53186.

3. On or about January 18, 2010, Respondent was attempting to administer anti-anxiety and pain medications to an agitated nursing home resident. When she was unable to administer the medications using other methods, she pinched the resident's nose until she opened her mouth and then forcibly administered the medications.

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. The conduct described in paragraph 3 above constitutes a violation of Wisconsin Administrative Code §§ N 7.03(1) and N 7.04(4), and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 441.07(1)(c) and (d).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Respondent, Catherine D. Prange, L.P.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 pre-approved continuing education in medication administration and four (4) hours of pre-approved continuing education in dementia and patient rights, 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. Respondent shall immediately provide a copy of this Order to all nursing employers. For a period of at least two (2) years 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. 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. If Respondent fails to fully and completely comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, or if the Department receives a subsequent credible allegation against Respondent of abuse, neglect or misappropriation, the Department Monitor shall without further notice or hearing notify the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services that the findings set forth in this Order shall thereafter constitute an agency finding of neglect for the purposes of Wis. Stat. §§ 48.685 and 50.065. Respondent shall then REFRAIN from any nursing employment in any facility licensed by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services until such time as Respondent successfully completes a rehabilitation review administered by DHFS.

4. Respondent shall, within 90 days of the date of this Order, pay to the Department of Regulation and Licensing costs of this proceeding in the amount of \$100.00 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2).

5. 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

6. 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.

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

Wisconsin Board of Nursing

By: Karen Smith
A Member of the Board

7/22/10
Date