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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY : PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :

: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

KELLY N. HAUSKNECHT, R.N., RESPONDENT.

Order <u>0000/019</u>

Division of Enforcement Case #08 NUR 424

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

Kelly N. Hausknecht 537 Amy Belle Road Colgate, WI 53017

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

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

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. Kelly N. Hausknecht (D.O.B. 12/8/1977) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a professional nurse (license # 146804). This license was first granted on 3/4/2004. The actions described below occurred while Respondent was employed at Dove Health Care at Glendale, a skilled nursing facility in Glendale, Wisconsin.
- 2. From the resident's admission to the facility on 9/22/08, through the date of a state survey on 10/1/08, resident A.G., a man born in 1943 and who had a large wound on his thigh which had been debrided at a hospital, had substantial pain as a result of his wound. The resident's pain was such that it interfered with sleep and was present every day. At no time

during this period did Respondent assess the resident in a thorough and competent manner, nor was the resident's pain adequately treated.

- 3. On 10/1/2008, Respondent changed a patient's dressing on his thigh wound; she did not follow the physician's orders to use only normal saline to cleanse the area, and instead used a product which contained alcohol, resulting in the patient suffering unnecessary pain.
- 4. Respondent failed to do a proper assessment of the patient's wound after changing the dressing, as described in par. 3, above, as evidenced by Respondent's documentation of the status of the wound as having only minimal drainage. The removed dressing was, in fact, saturated in drainage fluids; the director of nursing and a state surveyor (both of whom witnessed Respondent's actions as described in par. 3, above) observed that there was copious drainage from the wound.
- 5. Respondent has demonstrated successful completion of six continuing education hours in the area of pain management, and six continuing education hours in the area of wound care, which were pre-approved by the Case Advisor in this matter.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

By the conduct described above, respondent is subject to disciplinary action against her license to practice as a nurse in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(b), (c) and (d), and Wis. Adm. Code §§ N 7.03(1)(a), (b), (c), (d), and N 7.04(4) and (15).

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Kelly N. Hausknecht, R.N., is REPRIMANDED for her unprofessional conduct in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent shall pay the costs of investigating and prosecuting this matter, in the amount of \$400, within 90 days of this Order. If not paid, Respondent's license may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED without further notice or hearing, until they are paid in full, together with any accrued interest.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

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A Member of the Board	Date	

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