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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF :  
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :  
JEFFREY E. PETERS, R.N., : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER  
RESPONDENT. : ORDER0000623

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Division of Enforcement Case # 09 NUR 225

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

Jeffrey E. Peters, R.N.  
687 Heritage Way  
Hudson, WI 54016

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  
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 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. Jeffrey E. Peters, R.N., (DOB 12/28/1961) is duly licensed as a registered nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license # 30-111863). This license was first granted on November 12, 1992.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is 687 Heritage Way, Hudson, Wisconsin, 54016.

3. At all relevant times, Respondent was providing psychiatric nursing services at a Minnesota hospital.

4. Respondent met Patient A when she was a mental health patient at the hospital where Respondent worked.

5. After Patient A was discharged from the hospital, Respondent contacted her, arranged to meet her, and gave her a prepaid phone card. He also purchased her food and brought her home.

6. On another occasion, Respondent took Patient A shopping for clothes. Then Respondent brought Patient A to his home, to get an old phone that he had agreed to give her.

7. Patient A contacted Respondent on another occasion, demanding money and stating that if he did not send money, she would turn him in to the hospital and cause him to lose his job. Respondent paid Patient A \$100. Patient A complained to the hospital anyway, and Respondent was terminated.

#### 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 paragraphs 4-7 above constitutes a violation of Wisconsin Administrative Code § N 7.03(1) and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(c).

#### ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Jeffrey E. Peters, R.N., is REPRIMANDED.

2. The license of Jeffrey E. Peters, R.N. to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin, and his privilege to practice in Wisconsin pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact, is LIMITED as follows:

(a) Within ninety (90) days of the date of this Order, Respondent, at his own expense, shall complete four (4) hours of pre-approved continuing education in nursing ethics and boundaries. Respondent is responsible for finding appropriate course(s) 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 two (2) years from the date of this Order:
- a. Respondent shall provide a copy of this Final Decision and Order immediately to supervisory personnel at all settings where Respondent works as a nurse or caregiver or provides health care;
  - b. Respondent shall arrange for quarterly reports from his nursing employer(s) reporting the terms and conditions of his employment and evaluating his 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 practice only under direct supervision when working in a clinical setting, and only in a work setting pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Respondent shall not work in a home health, agency or pool position.
  - d. Respondent shall notify the Department Monitor of any change of nursing employment. Notification shall occur within fifteen (15) days of a change of employment and shall include an explanation of the reasons for the change.

3. Pursuant to Uniform Nurse Licensure Compact regulations, Respondent's nursing practice under his Wisconsin license is limited to Wisconsin during the pendency of this limitation. This requirement may be waived only upon the prior written authorization of both the Wisconsin Board of Nursing and the regulatory board in the state in which Respondent proposes to practice.

4. Respondent shall, within 120 days of the date of this Order, pay to the Department of Regulation and Licensing costs of this proceeding in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2).

5. All payments, reports and other correspondence shall be directed to the Department Monitor, as follows:


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 complete the required 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:   
A Member of the Board

1-27-11  
Date