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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF

DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

SANDRA J. CHRISTIANSEN, R.N., RESPONDENT.

ORDER 0000746

Division of Enforcement Case # 10 NUR 569

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

Sandra J. Christiansen, R.N. 624 220th Ave. Somerset, WI 54025

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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. Sandra J. Christiansen, R.N., (D.O.B. 7/30/1958) is licensed as a registered nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license # 30-131336). This license was first granted on 1/8/1999.

- 2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is 624 220th Ave. Somerset, WI 54025.
- 3. On February 5, 2009, the Minnesota Board of Nursing issued a Consent Order placing Respondent's license on a conditional status due to concerns regarding deficient medication administration, documentation, storage and destruction practices; failure to maintain appropriate documentation or confidentiality related to patient records; and failure to implement orders. The Order required Respondent to complete continuing education and write a paper, as well as to submit personal and nursing supervisor reports.
- 4. On August 5, 2010, the Minnesota Board of Nursing acc epted the voluntary surrender of the Respondent's registration certificates. The supervisor reports required by the February 5, 2009 Order indicated that Respondent continued to have practice issues, including but not limited to:
 - (a) In October 2009, Respondent was issued a corrective plan related to medication review, foot checks, care plans, charting, and labs.
 - (b) In December of 2009, concerns included administering oxygen at six liters when three to four liters was prescribed; failing to wear a face shield and mask during procedures that warranted the infection control measures; and failing to clean Epogen vials with alcohol prior to needle entry, as was required by policy.
 - (c) A performance review dated December 29, 2009 documented frequent correction regarding facility policies and procedures. Respondent reportedly struggled with job knowledge in dialysis, and needed considerable supervision despite having completed a year of employment. Respondent was removed from her position.
 - (d) On or about December 31, 2009, while working as a patient care technician, Respondent drew up normal saline into several syringes but did not label them before setting them out despite prior counseling on labeling and locking all pre-drawn 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 paragraphs 3 and 4 above constitutes a violation of Wisconsin Administrative Code §§ N 7.03(1) and N 7.04(7) and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1)(d).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The SURRENDER of the license of Sandra J. Christiansen to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin is hereby accepted.
- 2. The SURRENDER of the privilege of Sandra J. Christiansen to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin under another state license pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact is hereby accepted.
- 3. In the event that Respondent ever reapplies for licensure as a nurse in Wisconsin in the future, the Board may limit that license to address the findings of fact based upon this stipulation, without further notice or hearing, and Respondent hereby expressly waives all rights to a hearing on any such limitation. Further, Respondent shall, prior to such application, pay costs of this proceeding in the amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing, and mailed to:

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

Board of Nursing

By:

A Member of the Board

3-24-11 Date