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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF :
DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :
: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
ROBERT R. KENNISON, R.N., :
RESPONDENT. : **ORDER 0001132**

Division of Enforcement Case No. 11NUR315

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

Robert R. Kennison, R.N.
914 29th Avenue
Monroe, WI 53566

Division of Enforcement
Department of Safety and Professional Services
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

Board of Nursing
Department of Safety and Professional Services
1400 East Washington Avenue
P.O. Box 8935
Madison, WI 53708-8935

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. Robert R. Kennison, R.N., (DOB 10/06/1963) is licensed as a professional nurse in the State of Wisconsin (license no. 94711-30). This license was first granted on August 22, 1986.

2. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Board of Nursing is 914 29th Avenue, Monroe, WI 53566.

3. On April 25, 2011 while caring for a patient, Respondent performed the placement of an intraosseous needle without any form of sedation and failed to document the procedure.

4. Upon questioning, Respondent admitted he had performed this procedure before at other facilities and he was not aware that performing this procedure was beyond the scope of practice.

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)(g) and N 7.04(5) and subjects Respondent to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 441.07(1)(c) and (d).

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Robert R. Kennison, R.N., is REPRIMANDED.

2. The license of Robert R. Kennison, R.N., to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin, and his privilege to practice in Wisconsin pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact, are LIMITED as follows:

- a. Respondent, at his own expense, shall complete six (6) hours of pre-approved continuing education addressing the scope of nursing practice and six (6 hours) addressing professional accountability for nurses, within 90 days of the date of this Order. Respondent is responsible for finding an appropriate course 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. Respondent shall provide proof of completion of the continuing education to the Department Monitor.
- b. Respondent shall provide his nursing employers with a copy of this Order before engaging in any nursing employment.

- c. For a period of at least two (2) years from the date of this Order, Respondent shall arrange for quarterly reports from his nursing employer(s) reporting the terms and conditions of her employment and evaluating her work performance.
- d. Pursuant to Uniform Nurse Licensure Compact regulations, Respondent's nursing practice 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.
- e. 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 one hundred twenty (120) days of the date of this Order, pay to the Department of Safety and Professional Services costs of this proceeding in the amount of three hundred Dollars (\$300.00) pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 440.22(2).

4. All petitions, payments, reports and other correspondence shall be mailed or delivered to:

Department Monitor
Department of Safety and Professional Services
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 timely submit payment of the costs as ordered or fails to comply with the ordered continuing education as set forth above, Respondent's license (no. 94711-30) 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: *L. West CRAA*
A Member of the Board

Oct 6, 11
Date