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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

TAMMY M. WENDT, R.N.

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION

ORDER 0002333

Division of Legal Services and Compliance¹ Case No. 12 NUR 400

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

Tammy M. Wendt, R.N. 15220 Merrie Circle Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005

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

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services 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 disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Wisconsin Board of Nursing (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, Conclusions of Law and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Licensee Tammy M. Wendt, R.N., (dob December 31, 1966) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a professional nurse, having license number 30-125820, first issued on March 24, 1997 and current through February 28, 2014. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 15220 Merrie Circle, Brookfield, Wisconsin 53005.

¹ The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

- 2. At all times relevant, Licensee worked as a nurse at Community Memorial Hospital of Froedert Health Care, located in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin.
- 3. Between July 26, 2012 and July 27, 2012, Tammy M. Wendt, R.N., placed an ICU patient in leg restraints for approximately twenty hours.
 - 4. There was no physician order for the use of leg restraints.
- 5. Tammy M. Wendt, R.N., admitted to using leg restraints on the patient without a physician order.
- 6. In resolution of this matter, Licensee consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Board of Nursing is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

- 1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
- 2. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Tammy M. Wendt, R.N. shall, at her own expense, take and successfully complete three (3) hours of education in restraint use and three (3) hours of education in ethics as follows:
 - a. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Licensee shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the courses from the Board or its designee. Licensee must take and pass any exam offered for the course(s).
 - b. Licensee shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below. None of the education completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department.
- 3. Within 90 days from the date of this Order, Licensee shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$350.00.
- 4. Request of approval of courses, proof of successful course completion and payment of costs (made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services) shall be sent by Licensee to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935 Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264 DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov

- 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 Licensee's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Licensee fails to timely submit payment of the costs as ordered or fails to submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education as set forth above, Licensee's license (no. 30-125820) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Licensee has paid costs and submitted proof of completion of the education.
 - 6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING