

## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES



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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF	:	
	:	FINAL DECISION AND ORDER
BRIANA L. STEINER, R.N.,	:	FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION
LICENSEE.	:	

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance<sup>1</sup> Case No. 13 NUR 009

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

Briana L. Steiner, R.N.  
1185 Christopher Drive  
Apartment 14  
Neenah, WI 54956

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 Briana L. Steiner, R.N., (dob March 30, 1981) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a professional nurse, having license number 169915-30, first issued on September 15, 2009 and current through February 28, 2014. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 1185 Christopher Drive, Apartment 14, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956.

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<sup>1</sup> The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Licensee was employed as a professional nurse at a medical care center (Center), located in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.
3. On December 15, 2012, Patient A was admitted to the emergency room due to shortness of breath. Patient A was treated for acute coronary syndrome and then transferred to Licensee's floor.
4. In Licensee's reply, through her attorney, Licensee stated she was told by emergency staff that Patient A's physician was notified of Patient A's condition. This information was not documented and Licensee later discovered this information was not accurate.
5. At the time of the transfer, the hospitalist told Licensee he did not want to write orders for Patient A until a second set of enzymes were ordered.
6. After transfer, Patient A became diaphoretic, began experiencing chest pain and Patient A did not have any standing orders. Licensee administered morphine and nitroglycerin to Patient A. Licensee failed to obtain an order for morphine or nitroglycerin. Licensee also failed to document a change in Patient A's condition.
7. Licensee placed Patient A on an EKG monitor. Licensee failed to obtain an order for the EKG monitor.
8. Licensee failed to document administration of the medication, failed to document vital signs at the time the medication was administered and failed to document the change in Patient A's condition.
9. Based on Center policies, Licensee should have obtained the necessary orders or called the Rapid Response Team (RRT). Licensee failed to follow these policies and was terminated from employment at Center.
10. 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 6 months of the date of this Order, Briana L. Steiner, R.N., shall at Licensee's own expense take and successfully complete five (5) hours of education on the topic of documentation, five (5) hours of education on ACLS protocol, five (5) hours

of education on professional accountability and three (3) hours of education on ACLS accountability and use of team members 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 120 days from the date of this Order, Licensee shall pay COSTS of this matter in the amount of \$800.00.
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. 169915-30) may, in the discretion of the Board or its designee, be SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Licensee has complied with payment of the costs and completion of the education.

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

by: Julie Nelson, RN  
A Member of the Board

12/19/13  
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF	:	
	:	
BRIANA L. STEINER, R.N.,	:	STIPULATION
LICENSEE.	:	

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance<sup>1</sup> Case No. 13 NUR 009

Licensee Briana L. Steiner, R.N., and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services, stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Licensee consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Licensee understands that by signing this Stipulation, Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Licensee, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Licensee;
- the right to call witnesses on Licensee's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Licensee's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
- the right to petition for rehearing; and
- all other applicable rights afforded to Licensee under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Licensee is aware of Licensee's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation. Licensee is represented by Attorney Patrick Knight.

4. Licensee agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Wisconsin Board of Nursing (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Licensee waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

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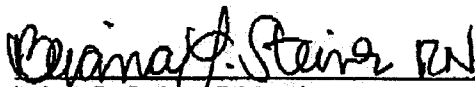
<sup>1</sup> The Division of Legal Services and Compliance was formerly known as the Division of Enforcement.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Licensee, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

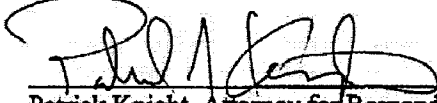
7. Licensee is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Licensee in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.



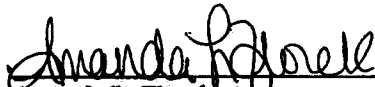
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