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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MONICA C. DIXON, L.P.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

0004643

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 15 NUR 449

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

Monica C. Dixon, L.P.N.
302 W. Oneida St., Apt. 1
Portage, WI 53901

Wisconsin Board of Nursing
P.O. Box 8366
Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance
Department of Safety and Professional Services
P.O. Box 7190
Madison, WI 53707-7190

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. Respondent Monica C. Dixon, L.P.N., (dob June 25, 1967) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a practical nurse, having license number 313596-31, first granted on March 2, 2011 and current through April 30, 2017. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 302 West Oneida Street, Apartment 1, Portage, Wisconsin 53901.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was employed as a practical nurse at a residential facility (Facility), located in Poynette, Wisconsin.

3. On June 8, 2015, Respondent was assigned to pass medications during her shift at the Facility.

4. At approximately 7:00 p.m., Respondent dispensed docusate sodium, gabapentin, guaifenesin extended release, lovastatin and senna laxative to Resident A. Resident A does not have a physician's order for the above medications.

5. Respondent failed to check Resident A's medication list before administering the medications to Resident A. As a result, Respondent administered the incorrect medications to Resident A, including a laxative, a cholesterol medication and a pain medication.

6. Respondent immediately realized the error and contacted the Facility director who called the on-call physician. The on-call physician stated that Resident A would be fine and would get sleepy, but would recover. The on-call physician ordered Resident A to be on 15-minute checks.

7. According to the Facility Incident Report, Respondent took Resident A's vitals immediately following the medication error, fifteen (15) minutes after and one hour after the medication error occurred.

8. Resident A's blood pressure read 158/63 immediately following the medication error, 154/68 fifteen minutes after the medication error, and 109/46 one hour after the medication error.

9. Respondent did not notify the on-call physician of the decrease in Resident A's blood pressure, and she did not check Resident A's blood pressure during the last two and one half hours of her shift.

10. On March 1, 2016, Respondent informed the Department that she is no longer working as a nurse and wishes to surrender her license to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin

11. In resolution of this matter, Respondent consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

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 pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Monica C. Dixon, L.P.N., engaged in unprofessional conduct as defined by Wis. Admin. Code § N 7.03(6)(a), by failing to perform nursing with reasonable skill and safety.

3. As a result of the above conduct, Monica C. Dixon, L.P.N., is subject to discipline pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07(1g)(b) and (d).

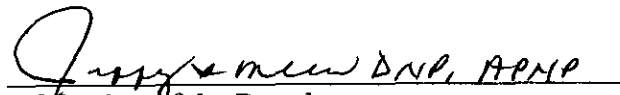
ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.
2. The voluntary SURRENDER of the license and privilege of Monica C. Dixon, L.P.N., (license no. 313596-31) to practice nursing in the State of Wisconsin or under another state license pursuant to the Nurse Licensure Compact is hereby accepted.
3. Respondent shall not petition the Board for reinstatement of her license to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin for at least one (1) year from the date of this Order.
4. In the event Respondent petitions the Board for reinstatement of her license to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin in the future, the Board may enter an order denying such application without further notice or hearing. Whether to grant a license and whether to impose any limitations or restrictions on any license granted shall be in the discretion of the Board.
5. In the event Respondent petitions the Board for reinstatement of her license to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin or applies for another credential with this Department, Respondent shall pay costs of this matter in the amount of \$.
6. Respondent shall immediately return all indicia of Wisconsin licensure 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 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264
DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov
7. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

by:


A Member of the Board

4-14-16
Date

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STIPULATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 15 NUR 449

Respondent Monica C. Dixon, L.P.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. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

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

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Respondent, 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 Respondent;
- the right to call witnesses on Respondent's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Respondent'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 Respondent under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Respondent is aware of Respondent's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.

4. Respondent 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. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

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

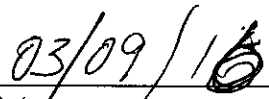
of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

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 Respondent, 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. Respondent 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 Respondent in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.


Monica C. Dixon, L.P.N., Respondent
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License no. 313596-31


Date


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Date