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STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

LINDA M. CAIN, R.N., LICENSEE. : FINAL DECISION AND ORDER: FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 NUR 521

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

Linda M. Cain, R.N. 607 NE Windrose Dr., Apt. C Kansas City, MO 54155

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. Licensee Linda M. Cain, R.N., (DOB July 23, 1951) is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a professional nurse, having license number 200328-30, first issued on May 6, 2014 and current through February 28, 2018.
- 2. On September 22, 2017, Respondent moved to Missouri and her Wisconsin license became inactive.
- 3. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is 607 NE Windrose Drive, Apartment C, Kansas City, Missouri 54155.

- 4. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Licensee was employed as a professional nurse at a nursing facility (Facility), located in Superior, Wisconsin.
- 5. Licensee was working the overnight shift from August 17, 2016 to August 18, 2016 on the second and third floors of the Facility.
- 6. On August 17, 2016, at approximately 1:00 a.m., Licensee administered one (1) dose of lorazepam 0.5 mg to Patient A.
- 7. Also at approximately 1:00 a.m., a CNA put a gait belt around Patient A's waist while he was in his wheelchair, like a seatbelt. Patient A was a fall risk and known to be restless and attempt to stand from his wheelchair. This was an inappropriate restraint.
- 8. Facility's investigation revealed that Licensee did not reassess Patient A after the 1:00 a.m. dose was administered. If Licensee had properly reassessed Patient A for the effectiveness of the medication, she also would have found Patient A in the inappropriate restraint.
- 9. Facility investigation also revealed that Licensee had not properly documented the 1:00 a.m. administration of lorazepam in the medication administration record.
- 10. During the Facility investigation, Licensee stated that Patient A was not restrained when she administered the dose of lorazepam at 1:00 a.m. and that she did not pass by Patient A anytime afterwards so she never saw the restraint.
- 11. On August 17, 2016, at approximately 4:30 a.m., two CNAs arrived on second floor of the facility and noticed Patient A seated in his wheelchair restrained with a gait belt.
 - 12. Licensee was terminated from her employment at the Facility.
- 13. 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 six (6) months of the date of this Order, Linda M. Campbell, R.N., shall at her own expense take and successfully complete three (3) hours of education on medication administration, five (5) hours of education on documentation and two (2) hours of education on the topic of nurse practice acts 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. Request for approval of courses and proof of successful course completion shall be sent by Licensee to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor
Division of Legal Services and Compliance
P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190
Telephone (608) 267-3817; Fax (608) 266-2264

<u>DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov</u>

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

by: Soyk Knawe OI-11-18

A Member of the Board Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

STIPULATION

LINDA M. CAIN, R.N., LICENSEE.

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Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 16 NUR 521

Licensee Linda M. Cain, 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 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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