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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

MICHELLE M. PLAUTZ, R.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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INTERIM ORDER

ORDER 0006975

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 20 NUR 121

The parties to these actions for the purpose of Wis. Stat. § 227.53 are:

Michelle M. Plautz, R.N.
Wausau, WI 54403

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 interim 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 adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Michelle M. Plautz, R.N., (DOB XX/XX/1966) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a registered nurse, having license number 138894-30, first issued on February 19, 2002, and current through February 28, 2022. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is located in Wausau, Wisconsin 54403.

2. At all times relevant to this proceeding, Respondent was working as a registered nurse at a medical facility (Facility), located in Wausau, Wisconsin.

3. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC), on behalf of the Board, received a complaint alleging that Respondent was impaired at work and/or diverted controlled

substances while at work at the Facility. The complaint was screened by a Division attorney and a member of the Board, and the subject case opened for investigation on March 20, 2020.

4. On May 14, 2020, Respondent was charged in Marathon County Circuit Court case number 2020CF424, with one (1) count of Possession of Narcotic Drugs, a felony, in violation of Wis. Stat. §961.41(3g)(am), and one (1) count of Theft-Moveable Property <=\$2500, a misdemeanor, in violation of Wis. Stat. §943.20(1)(a).

5. The Board has not made a determination as to the validity of the allegations underlying the above charges and/or allegations.

6. Respondent voluntarily agrees not to engage in the practice of nursing pending final resolution of the criminal proceedings referenced in paragraph 4, and the disciplinary proceedings associated with DLSC Case No. 20 NUR 121.

7. Respondent's consent to the entry of this order does not constitute an admission of the charges and/or allegations referenced in paragraphs 3 and 4.

8. Respondent voluntarily agrees not to engage in the practice of nursing pending final resolution of the criminal proceedings referenced in paragraph 4, and the disciplinary proceedings associated with DLSC Case No. 20 NUR 121.

CONCLUSION 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).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.


2. The license of Respondent to practice nursing in the state of Wisconsin (license number 138894-30) is SUSPENDED as of the date of this Order.

3. The suspension shall continue until the Board issues a Final Decision and Order in DLSC Case No. 20 NUR 121.

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

by:



A Member of the Board of Nursing

9/10/2020

Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY	:	
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST	:	
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MICHELLE M. PLAUTZ, R.N.,	:	STIPULATION
RESPONDENT.	:	FOR INTERIM ORDER

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 20 NUR 121

Respondent Michelle M. Plautz, 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. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.
2. Respondent is aware of his right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation.
3. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Interim Order by the Wisconsin Board of Nursing (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Interim Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the attached Interim Order, if adopted in the form as attached.
4. 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 Interim Order.
7. Respondent is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Interim 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 Interim Order.

Michelle Plautz RN

Michelle M. Plautz, R.N., Respondent
Schofield, WI 54476
License No. 138894-30

8/17/2020
Date

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09/01/2020
Date