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STATE OF WISCONSIN
BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

STEPHANIE M. PETERSEN, R.N.,
RESPONDENT.

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INTERIM ORDER
ORDER 0007591

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 21 NUR 504

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

Stephanie M. Petersen, R.N.
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Division of Legal Services and Compliance
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The parties agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as an Interim Order in this matter, subject to the approval of the 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, Conclusion of Law, and Order.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Stephanie M. Petersen, R.N., (Year of Birth 1991) is licensed in the state of Wisconsin to practice as a registered nurse, having license number 229209-30, first issued on June 10, 2016, and current through February 28, 2022. Respondent's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Madison, Wisconsin 53704.

2. On August 20, 2021, the Department received a complaint from the United States Drug Enforcement Administration alleging that Respondent had on multiple occasions diverted and abused controlled substances while working as a registered nurse at a large medical center in Madison, Wisconsin (Center). The Department's Division of Legal Services and Compliance

(DLSC) reviewed the complaint and opened the investigation of this matter, DLSC Case No. 21 NUR 504.

3. The Department's investigation is ongoing and includes pending requests for additional information from the Center. Respondent's employment at the Center was terminated as a result of the alleged misconduct and she has not worked as a registered nurse since.

4. As of the date of this Order, the Board has not determined whether Respondent violated any statutes or rules related to the practice of nursing. However, Respondent voluntarily agrees to not practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin pending the final resolution of DLSC Case No. 21 NUR 504, and therefore consents to the entry of the following Conclusion of Law and Order.

CONCLUSION OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Board of Nursing has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 441.07 and has authority to enter into this stipulation for an Interim Order pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

ORDER

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Respondent's license to practice as a registered nurse in the state of Wisconsin (license no. 229209-30) 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. 21 NUR 504.

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

WISCONSIN BOARD OF NURSING

By: *Geneg J. Jolitaewski*
A Member of the Board

9/9/2021
Date

STATE OF WISCONSIN
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STIPULATION
FOR INTERIM ORDER

ORDER 0007591

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 21 NUR 504


Respondent Stephanie M. Petersen, 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.
2. 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.
3. Respondent neither admits nor denies the allegations in this matter, but agrees to the adoption of the attached Interim Order by the 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 Board's 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 be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that this 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.
5. 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 a case advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Respondent or Respondent's attorney, if any, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with the Board's deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such case advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Interim Order.
6. 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.

7. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Respondent in recommending that the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Interim Order.

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08-25-21
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