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Stephanie P. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

IN THE MATTER OF PERMANENT
VOCATIONAL NURSE
LICENSE NUMBER 335050
ISSUED TO
MELISSA STARR WORRELL,
RESPONDENT

§ BEFORE THE TEXAS
§
§ BOARD OF NURSING
§
§ ELIGIBILITY AND
§
§ DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: MELISSA STARR WORRELL
3329 TIERRA FERTIL DRIVE
EL PASO, TX 79938

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on February 13, 2018, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by

reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 TEX. ADMIN.CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 335050, previously issued to MELISSA STARR WORRELL, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this **13th day of February, 2018.**

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment: Formal Charge filed November 7, 2017.

d17r(lvn)(2016.05.11)

Re: Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 335050
Issued to MELISSA STARR WORRELL
DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 14th day of February, 2018, a true and correct copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following person(s), as follows:

Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested

MELISSA STARR WORRELL
3329 TIERRA FERTIL DRIVE
EL PASO, TX 79938

BY:



KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

In the Matter of	§	BEFORE THE TEXAS
Permanent Vocational Nurse	§	
License Number 335050	§	
Issued to MELISSA STARR WORRELL,	§	
Respondent	§	BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, MELISSA STARR WORRELL, is a Vocational Nurse holding License Number 335050, which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

CHARGE I.

On or about April 2, 2017, while employed as a Staff Nurse with Las Ventanas de Socorro, Socorro, Texas, Respondent inappropriately administered Humalog instead of Glucagon as ordered by the physician to Patient CM when Patient CM's blood sugar level was below 60 mg/dl. Respondent's conduct exposed the patient to risk of harm from potentially adverse complications from critical blood glucose levels as a result of the administration of an incorrect medication.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(C),(1)(M)&(2)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).

CHARGE II.

On or about April 2, 2017, while employed as a Staff Nurse with Las Ventanas de Socorro, Socorro, Texas, Respondent failed to document regarding a medication error and patient status in the medical record of Patient CM when the patient was administered the wrong medication. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate and incomplete medical record and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would not have accurate and complete information on which to base their care decisions.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(D),(1)(M)&(2)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(4).

CHARGE III.

On or about April 2, 2017, while employed as a Staff Nurse with Las Ventanas de Socorro, Socorro, Texas, Respondent failed to notify the physician, Director of Nursing, and the patient's family of the medication error and the patient status of Patient CM when the patient was administered insulin instead of Glucagon. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient by depriving the physician and Director of Nursing of vital information that would require to institute timely medical interventions to stabilize the patient's blood glucose levels and prevent medical complications.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(D),(1)(M)&(2)(A) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(4).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, located at 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.33(b), which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

Filed this 7th day of November, 20 17.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



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