

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 130238 issued to DOLORES NAVARRO

ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 130238, issued to DOLORES NAVARRO, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 2. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Brazosport Community College, Lake Jackson, Texas, on August 23, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 28, 1990.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

08/90 - 12/94	LVN	Brazosport Memorial Hospital Lake Jackson, Texas
01/95 - 12/00	Unknown	
01/01 - 05/02	LVN	Brazosport Allergy Clinic Lake Jackson, Texas

Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

06/02 - 06/03	LVN	Brazosport Cardiology Lake Jackson, Texas
07/03 - 04/04	Unknown	
05/04 - 01/06	LVN	Plantation Health Care Center Lake Jackson, Texas
01/06 - 05/06	LVN	Dr. Alkesh Amin Lake Jackson, Texas
06/06 - 07/07	LVN	IPH Home Health Care Angleton, Texas
08/07 - 07/08	Unknown	
08/08 - 05/10	LVN	Lake Jackson Healthcare Center Lake Jackson, Texas
05/10 - 07/11	LVN	Laurel Court Long Term Care Alvin, Texas

- 6. On March 15, 2007, Respondent was issued an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing which required her to participate and successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses(TPAPN). A copy of the March 15, 2007, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On March 10, 2009, Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas was Suspended with the suspension stayed and she was placed on Probation for three (3) years by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the March 10, 2009, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 8. Formal charges were filed on April 7, 2011. A copy of the Formal Charges is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- Formal charges were mailed to Respondent on April 11, 2011.

10. On April 19, 2012, Respondent submitted a signed and notarized affidavit to the Board expressing her desire to voluntarily surrender the right to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas in lieu of complying with the Agreed Order issued to Respondent on March 10, 2009. A copy of the April 19, 2012, affidavit is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove a violation of Section 301.452(b)(1) (10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12 (11)(B).
- 4. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 6. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.452 (b), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 130238, heretofore issued to DOLORES NAVARRO, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice vocational nursing, use the title of "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation "LVN" or wear any insignia identifying himself as a vocational nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a vocational nurse during the period in which the license is in surrendered status.

- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this order and, RESPONDENT has obtained objective, verifiable proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety immediately preceding the petition.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate licensure privilege, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this _____ 7th ____ day of _____ May ____ , ____ 2012

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN Executive Director on behalf of said Board



In the Matter of Permanent License § BEFORE THE TEXAS Number 130238, Issued to § BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, DOLORES NAVARRO, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 130238, 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 May 4, 2009, May 20, 2009, August 14, 2009, August 25, 2009, December 28, 2009, and February 18, 2010, while employed with Lake Jackson Health Care Center, Lake Jackson, Texas, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on March 10, 2009 by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Fourteen (14) of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part:

(14) RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for controlled substances, tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol....

A copy of the March 10, 2009, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

CHARGE II.

On or about June 18, 2010, while employed with Laurel Court Long Term Care, Alvin, Texas, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on March 10, 2009, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Fourteen (14) of the Agreed Order which states, in pertinent part:

(14) RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for controlled substances, tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol....

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

CHARGE III.

On or about March 2, 2010, June 2, 2010, September 2, 2010, December 2, 2010, and March 2, 2011, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her on March 10, 2009, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Sixteen (16) of the Order which states, in pertinent part:

(16) RESPONDENT SHALL attend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which shall be for substance abuse; and RESPONDENT SHALL submit the required evidence on forms provided by the Board at the end of every three (3) months....

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1) and (10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 213.27 - 213.33. Additionally, staff will seek to impose on Respondent the administrative costs of the proceeding pursuant to Section 301.461, Texas Occupations Code. The cost of proceedings shall include, but is not limited to, the cost paid by the Board to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Office of the Attorney General or other Board counsel for legal and investigative services, the cost of a court reporter and witnesses, reproduction of records, board staff time, travel, and expenses. These shall be in an amount of at least one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200.00).

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.state.tx.us.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on Adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder, which can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.state.tx.us.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, which can be found at www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/discp-matrix.html.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that Respondent's past disciplinary history, as set out below and described in the Order which is attached and incorporated by reference as part of these charges, will be offered in support of the disposition recommended by staff: Agreed Order dated March 10, 2009.

Filed this 7th day of April , 2011

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Attachments: Agreed Order dated March 10, 2009.

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse

AGREED

License Number 130238

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issued to DOLORES JONES

§ ORDER

On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DOLORES JONES, Vocational Nurse License Number 130238, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on January 26, 2007, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these
 Findings of Fact was served on Respondent and Respondent was given an opportunity to
 show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Brazosport Community College, Lake Jackson, Texas on August 23, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 28, 1990.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

August 1990 to December 1994

LVN

Brazosport Memorial Hospital

Lake Jackson, Texas

Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

January 1995 to December 2000

Employment Unknown

January 2001 to May 2002

LVN.

Brazosport Allergy Clinic

Lake Jackson, Texas

June 2002 to June 2003

LVN

Brazosport Cardiology Lake Jackson, Texas

July 2003 to August 2003

Employment Unknown

September 2003 to October 2003

LVN

November 2003 to July 2004

Employment Unknown

August 2004 to January 2006

LVN

Plantation Health Care Center

Lake Jackson, Texas

February 2006 to Present

Employment Unknown

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Plantation Health Care Center, Lake Jackson, Texas, and had been in this position for one (1) year and three (3) months.
- 7. On or about December 14, 2005, while employed with The Plantation Health Care Center, Lake Jackson, Texas, Respondent misappropriated a Christmas gift belonging to a resident in that Respondent admitted to taking the gift from the resident's room. On two previous occasions Respondent received written warnings for asking and accepting gifts from residents and was subsequently terminated from The Plantation Health Care Center. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud said resident of the cost of the gift.
- 8. On or about December 2005 through January 2005, while employed with The Plantation Health Care Center, Lake Jackson, Texas, Respondent misappropriated various medications belonging to the facility and patients thereof, including but not limited to: Bactrim, Clonazepam, Cipro, Ultram, Lorazepam, Effexor, Celebrex, Protonix, Lortab, and Neurotin. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud the facility and patients of the cost of the medications.

- 9. Respondent states that she is currently taking the following medications: Effexor and Ativan. These medications are used to control her depression and anxiety. She also states that she is seeing a psychiatrist for depression and a medical doctor for Systemic Lupus Erytematosis.
- 10. Respondent's conduct described in the preceding Finding of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.
- 11. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- 12. Respondent's conduct described in Finding of Fact Number eight (8) resulted from Respondent's dependency on chemicals and mental illness.
- 13. Respondent's compliance with the terms of a Board approved peer assistance program should be sufficient to protect patients and the public.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.455, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation of Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(6)(G)&(10)(E).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 130238, heretofore issued to DOLORES JONES, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. The Board may, in its discretion, order a nurse to participate in a peer assistance program approved by the Board if the nurse would otherwise have been eligible for referral to peer assistance pursuant to Section 301.410, Texas Occupations Code.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT, in lieu of the sanction of Revocation under Section 301.453, Texas Occupations Code, SHALL comply with the following conditions for such a time as is required for RESPONDENT to successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN):

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL, within forty-five (45) days following the date of entry of this final Order, apply to and be accepted into the TPAPN, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) payable to TPAPN.
- (2) Upon acceptance into the TPAPN, RESPONDENT SHALL waive confidentiality and provide a copy of the executed TPAPN contract to the Board of Nurse Examiners.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN contract during its term.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Board of Nurse Examiners of any violation of the TPAPN contract.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED, RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Texas Occupations Code, Section §§301.001 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.01 et seq. and this Order.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license is encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the State of Texas and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT fail to comply with this Order or the terms of the participation agreement with the TPAPN, such noncompliance will result in further disciplinary action including revocation of Respondent's license and multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. I do acknowledge possessing a diagnosis that deems me eligible to participate in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Conditions One (1) through Four (4) of this Order to obtain disposition of the allegations through peer assistance and to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order becomes effective upon acceptance by the Executive Director on behalf of the Board of Nurse Examiners, and a copy will be mailed to me. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and disciplinary sanction, including revocation of my license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 26 day of TORUAN, 2007.

DOLORES JONES, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day

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My Commission Expires
December 04, 2010

Notary Public in and for the State of

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the
Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, does hereby accept and enter the Agreed Order that
was signed on the 26 th day of February , 2007, by DOLORES JONES,
Vocational Nurse License Number 130238, and said Order is final.
Entered and effective this 15th day of March, 2007.
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Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN
Executive Director on behalf
of said Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse

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License Number 130238

§ AGREED

issued to DOLORES JONES

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DOLORES JONES, Vocational Nurse License Number 130238, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on January 16, 2009, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was served on Respondent and Respondent was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license.
- 2. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Brazosport Community College, Lake Jackson, Texas, on August 23, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 28, 1990.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

11/90 - 12/00

Unknown

01/01 - 5/02

LVN

Brazosport Allergy Clinic Lake Jackson, Texas Respondent's vocational nursing employment history (continued):

06/02 - 06/03	LVN	Brazosport Cardiology Lake Jackson, Texas
06/03 - 04/04	Unknown	•
05/04 - 01/06	LVN	Plantation Health Care Center Lake Jackson, Texas
01/06 - 05/06	LVN	Dr. Alkesh Amin Lake Jackson
05/06 - 07/07	LVN	IPH Home Health Care Angelton
07/07 - Present	Unknown	

- 6. On March 15, 2007, Respondent was issued an Agreed Order by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas that required Respondent to apply to and be accepted into the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN), and once accepted into the TPAPN, to comply with all requirements of the TPAPN contract during its term. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated March 15, 2007, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about April 30, 2007, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas on March 15, 2007. Respondent's noncompliance is a result of her failure to comply with Stipulation Number One (1) of the Order which reads, in pertinent part:
 - (1) "RESPONDENT SHALL, within forty-five (45) days following the date of entry of this final Order, apply to and be accepted into the TPAPN, ..."

Specifically, Respondent failed to follow up with enrollment paperwork and even after an extension was given, did not submit necessary documents to the TPAPN.

8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent admits that to date, she has not been accepted into TPAPN. However, her application is lacking only a small amount of documentation. Specifically, Respondent paid the non-refundable participation fee, she provided psychiatrists' notes and submitted release documentation. Respondent made an effort to apply and be accepted, however, the time period given to Respondent by TPAPN was only 15 days. Respondent was unable to finish the application and respectfully requests an opportunity to complete her application and acceptance into TPAPN.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation of Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b). Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational License Number 130238, heretofore issued to Dolores Jones, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Vocational License Number 130238, previously issued to DOLORES JONES, to practice vocational nursing in Texas is hereby SUSPENDED for a period of three (3) years with the suspension STAYED and Respondent is hereby placed on PROBATION for three (3) years with the following agreed terms of probation:

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's multistate privilege, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license is encumbered by this order the Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a multistate licensure privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 et seq. and this Order.

- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of seven hundred and fifty (\$750) dollars. RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty five (45) days of entry of this Order. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It shall be a minimum of six (6) contact hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding: Sexual Misconduct; Fraud, Theft and Deception; Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder, and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify RESPONDENT's successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.state.tx.us/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND

PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROBATION CONDITIONS FOR THREE (3) YEARS OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH THIRTY SIX (36) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR OF EMPLOYMENT THAT DO NOT REQUIRE THE USE OF A VOCATIONAL NURSE (LVN) LICENSE WILL NOT APPLY TO THIS PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in vocational nursing of this Order of the Board and the probation conditions on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each present employer within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in vocational nursing of this Order of the Board and the probation conditions on RESPONDENT's license. RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- (5) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in vocational nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a vocational nurse.

- (6) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in vocational nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a vocational nurse.
- (7) For the first year of employment as a Vocational Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse or a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another professional or vocational nurse to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). The RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- (8) For the remainder of the probation period, RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse or a Licensed Vocational Nurse who is on the premises. The supervising RN or LVN is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency.

RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

- (9) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a vocational nurse on the night shift, rotate shifts, work overtime, accept on-call assignments, or be used for coverage on any unit other than the identified, predetermined unit(s) to which Respondent is regularly assigned for one (1) year of employment as a vocational nurse.
- (10) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a vocational nurse in any critical care area for one (1) year of employment as a vocational nurse. Critical care areas include, but are not limited to, intensive care units, emergency rooms, operating rooms, telemetry units, recovery rooms, and labor and delivery units.
- (11) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT administer or have any contact with controlled substances, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates for one (1) year of employment as a vocational nurse.
- (12) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT's capability to practice vocational nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) months for three (3) years of employment as a vocational nurse.
- (13) RESPONDENT SHALL abstain from the consumption of alcohol, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose. If prescribed, RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the licensed practitioner to submit a written report identifying the medication,

dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the office of the Board by the prescribing practitioner, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription. In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and RESPONDENT SHALL submit to an evaluation by a Board approved physician specializing in Pain Management or Psychiatry. The performing evaluator will submit a written report to the Board's office, including results of the evaluation, clinical indications for the prescriptions, and recommendations for on-going treatment within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.

(14) RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for controlled substances, tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol. For the first three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per week. For the next three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month. For the next six (6) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per month. For the remainder of the probation period, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) months.

Specimens shall be screened for at least the following substances:

Amphetamines Meperidine
Barbiturates Methadone
Benzodiazepines Methaqualone
Cannabinoids Opiates
Cocaine Phencyclidine
Ethanol Propoxyphene

tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram)

A Board representative may appear at the RESPONDENT's place of employment at any time during the probation period and require RESPONDENT to produce a specimen for screening.

All screens shall be properly monitored and produced in accordance with the Board's

policy on Random Drug Testing. A complete chain of custody shall be maintained for each specimen obtained and analyzed. RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for the costs of all random drug screening during the probation period.

Any positive result for which the nurse does not have a valid prescription will be regarded as non-compliance with the terms of this Order and may subject the nurse to further disciplinary action by this Board. Failure to report for a drug screen may be considered the same as a positive result and may result in further disciplinary action by this Board.

- counselor" possessing credentials approved by the Board. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the therapist to submit written reports, on forms provided by the Board, as to the RESPONDENT's progress in therapy, rehabilitation and capability to safely practice nursing. The report must indicate whether or not the RESPONDENT's stability is sufficient to provide direct patient care safely. Such reports are to be furnished each and every month for three (3) months. If therapy is recommended for beyond three (3) months, the reports shall then be required at the end of each three (3) month period for the duration of the probation period, or until RESPONDENT is dismissed from therapy.
- (16) RESPONDENT SHALL attend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which shall be for substance abuse; and RESPONDENT SHALL provide acceptable evidence of attendance. Acceptable evidence shall consist of a written record of at least; the date of each meeting, the name of each group attended, and the signature and printed name of the chairperson of each group attended by RESPONDENT. RESPONDENT SHALL submit the required evidence on the forms provided by the Board at the end of every three (3) months. No

duplications, copies, third party signatures, or any other substitutions will be accepted as evidence.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that if during the period of probation, an additional allegation, accusation, or petition is reported or filed against the Respondent's license, the probationary period shall not expire and shall automatically be extended until the allegation, accusation, or petition has been acted upon by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT's license and RESPONDENT shall be eligible for multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact. Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order. to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and a copy will be mailed to me. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and disciplinary sanction, including revocation of my license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 11 day of February 20 09

DOLORES JONES, Respondent

SEAL	Denise Dagenais
	Notary Public in and for the State of Texas
My Commission Explication March 7, 2012	Approved as to form and substance.
, , ,	SUNNY MCMILLAN RIEN Z, Attorney for Respondent
	Signed this 164day of FIBruary, 20 09
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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11 day of February

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 11th day of February, 2009, by DOLORES JONES, Vocational License Number 130238, and said Order is final.

Effective this 10th day of March, 2009.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

Dolores Navarro 1121 N Avenue I Freeport, TX 77541 Texas LVN License #130238

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Voluntary Surrender Statement

Dear Texas Board of Nursing:

I no longer desire to be licensed as a vocational nurse. Accordingly, I voluntarily surrender my license to practice in Texas. I consent to the entry of an Order which outlines requirements for reinstatement of my license. I understand that I will be required to comply with the Board's Rules and Regulations in effect at the time I submit any petition for reinstatement.

Signature Volones ()	poarro
Date april 19,2	.
Texas LVN License Number _	130238

The State of Texas

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this date personally appeared Dolores Navarro, who, being duly sworn by me, stated that she executed the above for the purpose therein contained and that he understood same.

	Sworn to before me t	he <u>19</u>	_day of April	, 2012
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