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*Katherine A. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of Registered Nurse           §     AGREED  
License Number 626586                   §  
issued to INDIRA PRADO                 §     ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Bo considered the matter of INDIRA PRADO, Registered Nurse License Number 626586, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on June 3, 2011, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director.

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(s).
2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas, on December 1, 1995, and received a Master's Degree in Nursing from the Family Nurse Practitioner Program (FNP) with The University of Texas at El Paso, El Paso, Texas, on May 7, 2005. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on February 27, 1996, and was Board recognized as a FNP in the State of Texas on June 6, 2005.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

2/96 - 6/97	Staff Nurse Telemetry Unit	Sierra Medical Center El Paso, Texas
7/97 - 11/00	Charge Nurse Telemetry Unit	Sierra Medical Center El Paso, Texas
12/00 - 2/06	Staff Nurse Cardiology Unit	Sierra Medical Center El Paso, Texas
11/05 - 1/06	FNP	Gastroenterology Specialists of El Paso El Paso, Texas
2/06 - 10/08	Research Team	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation El Paso, Texas
2/06 - 10/08	FNP Heart Failure Center	Del Sol Medical Center El Paso, Texas
6/07 - 4/11	FNP	Candelaria Medical Center El Paso, Texas
5/11 - Present	Not employed as a Nurse	

6. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as a FNP with Candelaria Medical Center, El Paso, Texas, and had been in this position for three (3) years.
7. On or about April 21, 2011, Respondent notified the Board that her national certification as a Family Nurse Practitioner had lapsed as of August 2010. This is a violation of Rule 221.8(a)(1)(A) which requires Respondent to maintain national certification in her advanced practice role and specialty. Respondent's conduct deceived her employer and the public in that they believed Respondent's nursing practice was in compliance with all Board Rules and Regulations.
8. Respondent admits that she failed to renew her national certification but maintains that she is current with all the other requirements. Respondent states that she is due to re-take her national certification exam in June 2011.

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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 violations of Section 301.452(b)(13), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§217.11(1)(A),(1)(R)&(4)(A) and 221.8(a)(1)(A).
4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 626586, heretofore issued to INDIRA PRADO, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of REMEDIAL EDUCATION AND A FINE, and 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license(s) is/are encumbered by this Order, Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse

licensure compact 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 that:

(1) 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) 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>.*

(2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00). 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.

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

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

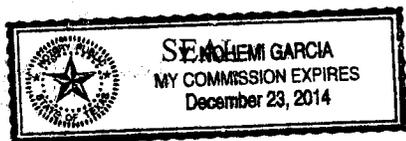
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order.

I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violations alleged herein. 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 when this Order becomes final and the terms of this Order become effective, 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(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 22 day of June, 2011.

Indira Prado  
INDIRA PRADO, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22 day of JUNE, 2011.



[Signature]  
Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 22nd day of June, 2011, by INDIRA PRADO, Registered Nurse License Number 626586, and said Order is final.



Effective this 28th day of June, 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Katherine A. Thomas'.

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