BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of \$ AGREED Registered Nurse License Number 607505 \$ & Vocational Nurse License Number 124737 \$ issued to CYNTHIA BAYLESS KOSIK \$ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of CYNTHIA BAYLESS KOSIK, Registered Nurse License Number 607505, and Vocational Nurse License Number 124737, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on August 20, 2012.

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 informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent holds licenses to practice professional & vocational nursing in the State of Texas which are both in delinquent status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Sowella Tech Institute, Lake Charles, Louisiana on September 22, 1989. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on September 22, 1989. Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas, on May 21, 1994. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on July 15, 1994.

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5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

9/89-6/07	LVN/RN	Gulf Coast Medical Center Wharton, Texas
6/07-2/08	RN	Spring Branch Medical Center Houston, Texas
2/08-1/09	RN	Girling Home Care Wharton, Texas
1/09-1/10	RN	Smithville Regional Hospital Smithville, Texas
2/10-Present	Unknown	

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a registered nurse at Smithville Regional Hospital and had been in this position for approximately eleven (11) months.
- 7. On or about December 24, 2010, and December 26, 2010, while employed with Smithville Regional Hospital, Smithville, Texas, Respondent withdrew Morphine from the medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to follow the policy and procedure for the wastage of the unused portions of the medication as follows:

Date/ Time	Patient	Medication	Physician's Order	MAR	Nurses' Notes	Wastage
12/24/10 1403	842572	Morphine 2mg	Morphine 2mg IV	Pt Refused	Pt. Refused	Written 2mg but no witness signature
12/26/10	842657	Morphine 2mg	Morphine 1-2mg IV	1mg 1915	1915 Morphine Given	Written Img but no witness signature

Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the hospital pharmacy and placed them in violation of Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).

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(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217:11(1)(A)&(1)(B) and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4),(10)(C)&(11)(B).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 607505, and Vocational Nurse License Number 124737, heretofore issued to CYNTHIA BAYLESS KOSIK, 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 a REMEDIAL EDUCATION, 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.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in nursing documentation. 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

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study courses and video programs will not be approved. The course shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length of classroom time. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include Nurses. The course shall include content on the following: nursing standards related to accurate and complete documentation; legal guidelines for recording; methods and processes of recording; methods of alternative record-keeping; and computerized documentation.

RESPONDENT SHALL cause the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Board's office 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.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension. In order to receive credit for completion of this program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

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.

RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) 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 28 day of November, 2012.

CYNTHIA BAYLESS KOSIK, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of Acuen ber, 20 13

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Notary Public in and for the State of <u>Ielos</u>

Approved as to form and substance.

CLARK WOODSON, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 284 day of Myember, 2012.

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 28th day of November, 2012, by CYNTHIA BAYLESS KOSIK, Registered Nurse License Number 607505, and Vocational Nurse License Number 124737, and said Order is final.

Effective this 3rd day of December, 2012.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board