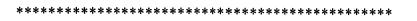
BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of

§ AGREED

Vocational Nurse License Number 173001

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issued to MARGIE ANN WOODSON

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board considered the matter of MARGIE ANN WOODSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 173001, 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)(9),(10)&(12), 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 February 20, 2013.

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 vocational nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Angelina College, Lufkin, Texas, on August 6, 1999. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on September 15, 1999.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

09/1999 - 12/1999

LVN

Convalescent Center Nacogdoches, Texas

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Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

11/1999 - 12/2001	LVN	Lufkin State School Lufkin, Texas
03/2001 - 11/2010	LVN	Tenet-Nacogdoches Medical Center Nacogdoches, Texas
11/2010 - 12/2012	LVN	Memorial Health System of East Texas Lufkin, Texas
12/2012 - Present	Employment	history unknown.

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Vocational Nurse with Tenet-Nacogdoches Medical Center, Nacogdoches, Texas, and had been in this position for nine (9) years and six (6) months.
- 7. On or about September 18, 2009, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Tenet-Nacogdoches Medical Center, Nacogdoches, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice vocational nursing, in that while on duty she appeared very sleepy, slow to respond, and had slurred speech. Respondent's condition could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.
- 8. On or about September 18, 2009, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Tenet-Nacogdoches Medical Center, Nacogdoches, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Hydrocodone, in that she submitted a specimen for a drug screen that resulted positive for Hydrocodone. Additionally, she admitted to taking her mother's Vicodin. Possession of Hydrocodone, without a valid prescription, is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act). The use of Hydrocodone by a Vocational Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.
- 9. On or about December 21, 2011, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with Memorial Health System of East Texas, Lufkin, Texas, while participating in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN), Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Tramadol, in that she submitted a specimen for a random drug screen requested by TPAPN, which resulted positive for Tramadol. Possession of Tramadol, without a valid prescription, is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act). The use of Tramadol by a Vocational Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

- 10. In response to Finding of Fact Number Nine (9), Respondent admits to taking Tramadol from Memorial Health Systems of Lufkin and admits to using non-prescription medications due to suffering from back problems (scoliosis), that was not under control at the time.
- 11. The Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.
- 12. 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.
- 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(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.12(1)(A),(1)(E),(4),(5),(10)(A),(10)(D)\&(11)(B)$.
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(9),(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 173001, heretofore issued to MARGIE ANN WOODSON, up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice 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 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 TPAPN and SHALL, within ninety (90) days following the date of entry of this final Order, sign and execute the TPAPN participation agreement, and complete the enrollment process, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00) payable to TPAPN.
- (2) Upon acceptance into the TPAPN, RESPONDENT SHALL waive confidentiality and provide a copy of the executed TPAPN participation agreement to the Texas Board of Nursing.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN participation agreement during its term and SHALL keep all applicable license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas current.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Texas Board of Nursing of any violation of the TPAPN participation agreement.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED, RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, Section §§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 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 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.

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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 EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

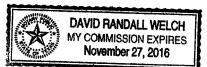
I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. I do acknowledge possessing a diagnosis that deems me eligible to participate in the Texas Peer 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 Texas Board of Nursing, 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(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 23 day	y of Apri	1,2013.
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MARGIE ANN WOO	ODSON, RE	SPONDENT

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23 day of April

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Notary Public in and for the State of 10

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WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby accept and enter the Agreed Order that was signed on the 23rd day of April, 2013, by MARGIE ANN WOODSON, Vocational Nurse License Number 173001, and said Order is final.

Entered and effective this 30th day of April, 2013.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board