Vocational Nurse License Number 120747

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issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was provided to 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 McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas, on December 18, 1987. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on May 26, 1988.
- 5. Respondent's vocational nursing employment history includes:

05/1987 - 08/1990

Unknown

I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Z. Texas Board of Nursing.

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Executive Director of the Board

Respondent's vocational nursing employment history continued:

08/1990 - 05/1998

LVN

West View Manor Nursing Home

McGregor, Texas

05/1998 - 03/2005

LVN

Providence Hospital

Waco, Texas

03/2005 - 04/2008

Unknown

04/2008 - Present

Not employed in Nursing

- 6. On or about July 13, 2005, Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing was issued an Agreed Order by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, which required her to participate and successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN). A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, and Order of the Board, dated July 13, 2005, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about August 14, 2007, Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing was suspended with the suspension stayed and placed on probation by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusion of Law, and Order of the Board, dated August 14, 2007, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 8. On or about March 18, 2013, Respondent entered a plea of "Guilty" to FRAUD, a Third Degree felony offense committed on May 10, 2012, in the 19th District Court, McLennan County, Texas, under Cause No. 2012-1910-C1. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt and she was placed on probation for a period of three (3) years. Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay a fine and court costs.
- 9. Respondent, by her signature to this Order, expresses her desire to voluntarily surrender her license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 10. 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.

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 §217.12(13).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(3)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, heretofore issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, as amended, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER of Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, heretofore issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is accepted by 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 "vocational nurse" or the abbreviation"LVN" or wear any insignia identifying herself 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 surrendered.
- 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.

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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 nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

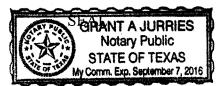
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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

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. 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 becomes final when accepted by the Executive Director at which time the terms of this Order become effective and a copy will be mailed to me.

Signed this 9 day of October, 2013.



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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby accept the voluntary surrender of Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, previously issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES.

Effective this 15th day of October , 20 13.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 120747 issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES **AGREED**

ORDER

On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter refer to as the Board, considered the matter of SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, Vocational Nurse Lice Number 120747, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Section 301.452(b)(1),(9)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on June 4, 2007, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these 1. 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.
- Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice and hearing, and 2. agreed to the entry of this Order.
- Respondent is currently licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas. 3.
- Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from McLennan Community 4. College, Waco, Texas, on December 18, 1987. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on May 26, 1988.
- Respondent's complete vocational nursing employment history is unknown. 5.

- 6. On July 13, 2005, Respondent was issued an Agreed Order by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas which required her to participate in and successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN). A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated July 13, 2005, is attached and incorporated by reference as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about March 12, 2007, Respondent submitted a specimen for a drug/alcohol screen which tested positive for the presence of Propoxyphene. Possession of Propoxyphene without a lawful is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health & Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act). The use of Propoxyphene by a nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in the patient's condition, and 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.
- 8. On or about March 12, 2007, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to her by the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas on July 13, 2005. Non-compliance is the result of her failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN), including, but not limited to, her submission of a specimen for a drug/alcohol screen which tested positive for the presence of Propoxyphene. Stipulation Number Three (3) of the Agreed Order dated July 13, 2005, states:

"RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN contract during its term."

- 9. In response to the preceding Findings of Fact, Respondent states that over the weekend of March 9, 2007, through March 11, 2007, she took three (3) prescribed Darvocet due to an abscessed tooth.
- 10. In a letter to the Board's office dated May 24, 2007, Shelley Bennett, LPN, with the office of Dr. Trevor J. Hodge, states that Respondent was given a prescription for three (3) Darvocet N-100 to take after a dental procedure.
- 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.

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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)(1),(9)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(9),(10)(A)&(11)(B).
- 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 120747, heretofore issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, including revocation of Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas.

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Board of Nurse Examiners, that Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, previously issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, 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 vocational 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 State of Texas 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,

Revised Civil Statutes of Texas as amended, Texas Occupations Code, §§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.

- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL deliver the wallet-sized license issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, to the office of the Board of Nurse Examiners within ten (10) days of the date of this Order for appropriate notation.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, 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 Chemical Dependency, 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.bne.state.tx.us/about/stipscourses.html.
 - (4) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of seven hundred

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fifty dollars (\$750.00). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of the suspension being stayed. Payment is to be made directly to the Board of Nurse Examiners in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A LICENSED VOCATIONAL 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:

- (5) RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in 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 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.
 - (6) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in 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 nurse.

(7) For the first year of employment as a Licensed 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 nurse 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 nursing. These reports shall be completed by the Registered Nurse or Licensed Vocational 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 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

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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

Barbiturates

Benzodiazepines

Cannabinoids

Cocaine

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Ethanol

tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram)

Meperidine

Methadone

Methaqualone

Opiates

Phencyclidine

Propoxyphene

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.

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, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be issued an unencumbered 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. 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 2 day of <u>July 20 0.7</u>

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SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

day of

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Notary Public in and for the State of

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSID	ERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the
State of Texas does hereby ratify and adopt the Agree	d Order that was signed on the 21st day
of July , 20 07 , by SHANNON LOUISE B	ARNES, Vocational Nurse License Number
120747, and said Order is final.	
Effective this 14th	day of <u>August</u> , 20 <u>07</u> .
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of said Board	

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

In the Matter of Vocational Nurse License Number 120747 § AGREED issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES ORDER

On this day the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, 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 June 22, 2005, 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.
- 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.
- 4. Respondent completed a Vocational Nursing Program at McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas, on December 18, 1987. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on May 26, 1988.
- 5. Respondent's complete vocational nursing employment history is unknown.
- On or about June 1, 2004, through June 10, 2004, while employed with Providence Health Center, Waco, Texas, Respondent passed fraudulent, unauthorized telephonically communicated prescriptions for Hydrocodone at Providence Plaza Pharmacy, Waco, Texas. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy and possession of Hydrocodone

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- through use of a fraudulent, unauthorized, telephonically communicated prescription is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).
- 7. On or about September 30, 2004, through March 10, 2005, while employed with Providence Health Center, Waco, Texas, Respondent passed fraudulent, unauthorized telephonically communicated prescriptions for Vicodin ES, Darvocet, and Lortab at HEB Pharmacy, Hewitt, Texas. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy and possession of Hydrocodone through use of a fraudulent, unauthorized, telephonically communicated prescription is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).
- 8. On or about March 14, 2005, while employed with Providence Health Center, Waco, Texas, Respondent passed or attempted to pass a fraudulent, unauthorized telephonically communicated prescription for Lortab at HEB Pharmacy, Waco, Texas. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy and possession of Hydrocodone through use of a fraudulent, unauthorized, telephonically communicated prescription is prohibited by Chapter 481 of the Texas Health and Safety Code (Controlled Substances Act).
- 9. The Respondent's conduct described in the preceding Findings of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.
- 10. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- 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 violations of Section 301.452(b)(10), Texas Occupations Code, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)&(21), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(10)(E)(effective September 28, 2004).
- 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 120747, heretofore issued to SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, 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 a payment of a non-refundable participation fee of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350), payable to the 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	_ day of	J/y , 20 <u>Q5</u> .
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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 7th day of July, 2005, by SHANNON LOUISE BARNES, Vocational Nurse License Number 120747, and said Order is final.

Entered and effective this 13th day of July, 2005.

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

of said Board