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Katherine A. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Pediatric Nurse Practitioner	§	AGREED
and Registered Nurse License Number 685064	§	
issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE	§	ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Pediatric Nursing Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, 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) and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on December 5, 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 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 and is currently Board authorized to practice as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Prescriptive Authority in the State of Texas.
4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas, on December 14, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 12, 2002. Respondent completed a post-graduate Pediatric Nurse Practitioner program at the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas, on April 22, 2011. Respondent was recognized as a Pediatric Nursing Practitioner in the State of Texas on May 25, 2011, and was granted Prescriptive Authority in the State of Texas on May 25, 2011.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

03/02-2006	RN	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Houston, Texas
2006-2007	RN	Medical Center of Plano Plano, Texas
2007-2008	RN	Piedmont Medical Center Rock Hill, South Carolina
2008-2011	RN	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Houston, Texas
2010-2011	Pediatric Clinical Rotations	
05/11-05/12	PNP	Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston, Houston, Texas
05/12-06/12	PNP	Ramsey Pediatric Center Cypress, Texas
07/12-05/13	Unknown	
06/13-09/13	PNP	Munoz Pediatrics, PA Humble, Texas
10/13-Present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner with Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston, Houston, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately nine (9) months.
7. On or about February 27, 2012, and April 12, 2012, while employed as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston, Houston, Texas, Respondent failed to document an assessment and diagnosis in the patient's medical records to warrant a prescription for Tussionex. The patient was the Respondent's child. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate, incomplete medical record and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would not have accurate and complete information on which to base their care decisions.
8. On or about May 15, 2012, while employed as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Ramsey Pediatric Center, Cypress, Texas, Respondent submitted an unauthorized telephonically communicated prescription for her husband to CVS Pharmacy, Cypress, Texas, for

Tussionex, a narcotic cough medication, using the name and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) number assigned to Dr. Karla Ramsey. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy.

9. On or about August 19, 2013, through September 9, 2013, while employed as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Munoz Pediatrics, P.A. d/b/a Wee Kare Pediatrics, Humble, Texas, Respondent submitted unauthorized fraudulent prescriptions for Brandi Williams, Nathan Wade, herself, and Wee Kare Pediatrics Office for Ambien, Vicoprofin, Hydrocodone, Zolpidem, Norco, and Lortab, to multiple pharmacies using the name and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) number belonging to Jesus Angelberto Munoz, MD. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy.
10. On or about November 26, 2013, Respondent entered a plea of "Guilty" to POSSESSION OF HYDROCODONE PG 3<28 GRAMS -NCIC 5599-11 (a Class A Misdemeanor reduced from a 3rd Degree Felony offense committed on August 26, 2013) in the 248th District Court of Harris County, Texas, under Case No. 140621801010. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt and she was placed on Deferred Adjunction for a period of two (2) years and ordered to pay court costs.
11. 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.
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 or chemical dependency.
13. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use disorder.
14. 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 301.451-301.555, 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) & (1)(D) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 217.12(1)(A), (1)(B), (1)(C), (4), (6)(A), (6)(H), (10)(E), (11)(B) & (13).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, heretofore issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE, 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, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, previously issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE, to practice nursing in Texas is/are hereby SUSPENDED and said suspension is ENFORCED until Respondent complies with Stipulation Numbers One (1) and Two (2):

(1) RESPONDENT SHALL apply to and be accepted into the TPAPN and complete the enrollment process, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) 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.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of compliance with Stipulation Numbers One (1) and Two (2), the SUSPENSION will be stayed, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply with the following conditions for such a time as is required for RESPONDENT to successfully complete the TPAPN:

(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.

RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.

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 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, 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.

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 may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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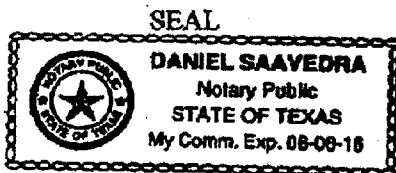
RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

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

I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. I 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 Stipulation Numbers 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 16 day of December, 2013.
Christina Ann Wade
CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of December, 2013.



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

Approved as to form and substance.

Taralynn R. Mackay
Taralynn Mackay, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 16th day of December, 2013.

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 16th day of December, 2013, by CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Registered Nurse License Number 685064, and said Order is final.

Effective this 18th day of December, 2013.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Katherine A. Thomas", is written over a horizontal line.

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