



ecutive Director of the Board

In the Matter of \$ AGREED
Registered Nurse License Number 578220 \$
& Vocational Nurse License Number 122292 \$
issued to CLAIRE P. CABANGAN \$ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of CLAIRE P. CABANGAN, Registered Nurse License Number 578220 and Vocational Nurse License Number 122292, 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 informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on July 18, 2014.

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. Respondent's license to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas is in delinquent status.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Philippines Women's University, Manila, Philippines, on May 1, 1977. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on December 8, 1988, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 17, 1992.

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5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

	1988-1992		Unknown
	1993-2000	Staff Nurse	St. Mary's Hospital Port Arthur, Texas
	2000-2002	Staff Nurse	M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Houston, Texas
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	2007-2012	Staff Nurse	Christus Dubuis Hospital Port Arthur, Texas
	2012- Present	Staff Nurse	Mid-Jefferson Long Term Acute Care Nederland, Texas

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with Christus Dubuis Hospital of Port Arthur, Texas, and had been in this position for five (5) years.
- 7. On or about September 1, 2012, while employed with Christus Dubuis Hospital, Port Arthur, Texas, Respondent inappropriately documented on nursing note flowsheets for Patient Number 000032843 and Patient Number 000032936 that assessments for the 1800 hour had been completed, though Respondent had ended her shift at 1600. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate medical record and exposed the patient's to a risk of harm in that subsequent care givers would not have accurate information on which to base their care decisions.
- 8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that she was covering to assist the unit as Charge Nurse, and she left her shift early that day with permission. Respondent states that she reported off at 1600 and in trying to finish her charting, inadvertently filled out the patient flow sheets through the end of the shift at 1800. Respondent states this error was due to exhaustion after multiple twelve hour shifts and was not done with the intent to deceive.

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)&(4).
- 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 578220 and Vocational Nurse License Number 122292, heretofore issued to CLAIRE P. CABANGAN, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

<u>ORDER</u>

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.texas.gov/compliance.

(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 <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home 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/compliance.

- (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/compliance.
- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred and 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 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. 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 3 day of September 2014.

CLAREP CABANGAN Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3 day of Splember, 2014.

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Notary Public, State of Texas
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Notary Public in and for the State of____

Texas

Approved as to form and substance.

Joyce Stamp Lilly, Attorney for Respondent

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 3rd day of September, 2014, by CLAIRE P. CABANGAN, Registered Nurse License Number 578220 and Vocational Nurse License Number 122292, and said Order is final.

Effective this 5th day of September, 2014.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board