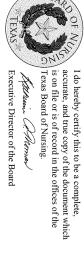
## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of \$ AGREED
Registered Nurse License Number 732798 \$
& Vocational Nurse License Number 185577 \$
issued to LUIS MANUEL MONCAYO \$ ORDER



On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of LUIS MANUEL MONCAYO, Registered Nurse License Number 732798 and Vocational Nurse License Number 185577, 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 notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on August 9, 2016.

#### 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 notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent's license to practice as a vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in inactive status. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from El Paso Community College at Mission Del Paso, El Paso, Texas, on June 7, 2002, and received an Associate Degree in Nursing from El Paso Community College, El Paso, Texas, on May 12, 2006. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on September 27, 2002, and was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on August 15, 2006.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

2002 - 2004	LVN	Del Sol Rehabilitation Hospital El Paso, Texas
2003 - 2005	LVN .	Altoma Home Health Care El Paso, Texas
2004 - 2004	LVN	El Paso County Jail El Paso, Texas
2004 - 2005	LVN	Horizon Nursing Home El Paso, Texas
2006 - 2006	Nephrology RN	Davita El Paso, Texas
2006 - 2008	Case Manager	In Home Care El Paso, Texas
2008 - 2009	RN	El Paso County Jail El Paso, Texas
2008 - 2014	Supervisor	Bienvivia Senior Health Services El Paso, Texas
6/2014 - 10/2014	Dialysis RN	DSI El Paso El Paso, Texas
2014-2015	Case Manager	Choice Hospice Home Health El Paso, Texas
2015 - Present	Staff Nurse	Las Ventanas de Socorro Senior Care Socorro, Texas

- 6. At the time of the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with DSI El Paso, El Paso, Texas, and had been in that position for two (2) months.
- 7. On or about August 28, 2014, while employed as a Staff Nurse with DSI El Paso, El Paso, Texas, Respondent failed to intervene when Patient V.J. experienced low blood pressure during dialysis treatment. Subsequently, another staff nurse found the patient with low blood pressure, requiring that the patient receive a normal saline infusion, have his legs elevated,

and the dialysis filtration turned off, per policy. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from a delay of medical intervention required to stabilize the patient's condition.

- 8. On or about October 20, 2014, while employed as a Staff Nurse with DSI El Paso, El Paso, Texas, Respondent failed to disconnect two (2) saline syringes from the dialysis catheter of Patient D.M. following the patient's dialysis treatment, and the patient left the facility with the saline syringes still connected to the catheter. Respondent's conduct exposed the patient unnecessarily to a risk of harm from infection and bleeding from the dialysis catheter.
- 9. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states that the typical nurse to patient ratio was 12:1 on the unit. Respondent states that after he was notified that the patient was hypotensive, he assessed the patient and found that he had a blood pressure of 106/53 mmHg which according to Respondent was within normal limits, and he then went to finish rounds on his other eleven (11) patients. Regarding the incident in Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent states that he would never intentionally fail to remove the syringes and maintains that he followed protocol. Respondent adds that in the highly unlikely and remote situation that he inadvertently left the syringes attached, it is his contention that the ports or clamps would never have been left open, and he has no memory of leaving two syringes attached to this patient.

#### **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  $\S\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(1)(M)\&(3)(A)$  and 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 732798 and Vocational Nurse License Number 185577, heretofore issued to LUIS MANUEL MONCAYO.
- 5. Pursuant to Section 301.463(d), Texas Occupations Code, this Agreed Order is a settlement agreement under Rule 408, Texas Rules of Evidence, in civil or criminal litigation.

#### TERMS OF ORDER

## I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS in accordance with the terms of this Order.

- A. This Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- B. This Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- C. Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state without first obtaining the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the nurse licensure compact party state where Respondent wishes to work.

### II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT agrees to 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.

# III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for licensure renewal, RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:

A. A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics that 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. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.

B. 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/these course(s), RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form or SHALL submit the continuing education certificate, as applicable, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office. RESPONDENT SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is not being offered by a preapproved provider. Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at www.bon.texas.gov/compliance.

# IV. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT must work as a nurse in the State of Texas, providing direct patient care in a licensed healthcare setting, for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours per month for four (4) quarterly periods [one (1) year] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until four (4) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. Any quarterly period without continuous employment with the same employer for all three (3) months will not count towards completion of this requirement. Periods of unemployment or of employment that do not require the use of a registered nurse (RN) or a vocational nurse (LVN) license, as appropriate, will not apply to this period and will not count towards completion of this requirement.

A. Notifying Present and Future Employers: RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing and present each with a complete copy

- of this Order, including all attachments, if any, prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- B. Notification of Employment Forms: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment" form to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment form" to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- C. Indirect Supervision: RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as 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.
- D. Nursing Performance Evaluations: 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 nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month quarterly period for four (4) quarters [one (1) year] of employment as a nurse.

# V. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

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.

### 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 entry of this 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 possible revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

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Yvonne M. Acosta, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 20 day of Sypholic, 2016.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 20th day of September, 2016, by LUIS MANUEL MONCAYO, Registered Nurse License Number 732798 and Vocational Nurse License Number 185577, and said Order is final.

Effective this 27th day of October, 2016.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

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