

AGREED

In the Matter of

Registered Nurse License Number 870499

§ § § issued to DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY, Registered Nurse License Number 870499, 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)(1)&(10), 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 February 9, 2017.

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(s).
- 2. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current 3. status.
- Respondent received an Associate Degree from Lone Star College, Kingwood, Texas on 4. December 14, 2014. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on January 20, 2015.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

2/2015 - 3/2016 Registered Nurse

Advocate Pediatric Home Care

Conroe, Texas

4/2016 - Present

Registered Nurse

Epic Health Services Houston, Texas

Field Nurse

- 6. On or about September 20, 2016, Respondent was issued a Confidential Agreed Order for Peer Assistance Program by the Texas Board of Nursing. Respondent has not completed the terms of this Order. A copy of the Confidential Agreed Order, including the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order for Peer Assistance Program dated September 20, 2016, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about December 22, 2016, Respondent became noncompliant with the Confidential Agreed Order for Peer Assistance Program issued to her by the Texas Board of Nursing on September 20, 2016. Noncompliance is the result of her failure to comply with all requirements of the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) participation agreement in that she failed to return the items necessary to initiate participation in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) within the required time frame.

Section I, Stipulation B of the Confidential Agreed Order for Peer Assistance Program dated September 20, 2016, states:

"(B) Within ninety (90) days following the date of entry of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL sign and execute the TPAPN participation agreement and complete the enrollment process;"

On or about December 22, 2016, Respondent was dismissed from TPAPN and referred back to the Board.

- 8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states the financial burden of a broken down car, health issues in her family, and the clarification issues with her current employment caused her to be non-compliant in enrolling in TPAPN.
- 9. 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.
- 10. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's mental illness.
- 11. 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 §217.12(9)&(11)(B).

- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 870499, heretofore issued to DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 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.
- 6. 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.

TERMS OF ORDER

I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Registered Nurse License Number 870499, previously issued to DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY, to practice nursing in Texas is hereby **SUSPENDED** and said suspension is **ENFORCED** until Respondent:

- A. Applies to, is accepted into, and completes enrollment in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN), including payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00); and
- B. Waives confidentiality and <u>provides a copy of the fully executed TPAPN</u> <u>participation agreement to the Board.</u>

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of successful completion of the above requirements, the Suspension will be STAYED, and RESPONDENT will be placed on PROBATION for such a time as is required for RESPONDENT to successfully complete the TPAPN AND until Respondent fulfills the additional requirements of this Order.

C. 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.

- D. 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.
- E. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Texas Board of Nursing of any violation of the TPAPN participation agreement.
- F. This Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- G. This Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- H. 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 suspension being stayed:

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.

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 <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at <u>www.bon.texas.gov/compliance</u>.

IV. FURTHER COMPLAINTS

If, during the period of probation, an additional allegation, accusation, or petition is reported or filed against the Respondent's license(s), the probationary period shall not expire and shall automatically be extended until the allegation, accusation, or petition has been acted upon by the Board.

V. EFFECT OF NONCOMPLIANCE

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 TEMPORARY 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.

VI. 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 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 entry of this Order and all conditions of said 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 28 day of March, 20 1.

DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this Aday of MARCH

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SEAL

WAYNE A HALBERG Notary ID # 126523360 My Commission Expires May 16, 2020 Notary Public in and for the State of TEXA

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 28th

day of March, 2017, by DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY, Registered Nurse License Number 870499,

and said Order is final.

Effective this 7th day of April, 2017.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of \$ CONFIDENTIAL Registered Nurse License Number 870499 \$ AGREED ORDER FOR

issued to DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY § PEER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY, Registered Nurse License Number 870499, 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)&(12), 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 July 25, 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 professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received an Associate Degree from Lone Star College, Kingwood, Texas, on December 14, 2014. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on January 20, 2015.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

2/2015-3/2016 Registered Nurse Advocate Pediatric Home Care

Conroe, Texas

4/2016-Present Registered Nurse Epic Health Services
Field Nurse Houston, Texas

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Advocate Pediatric Home Care, Conroe, Texas, and had been in that position for eleven (11) months.
- On or about January 15, 2016, while employed with Advocate Pediatric Home Care LLC, Conroe, Texas, Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing in that she exhibited signs of impaired behavior, including but not limited to: confusion, lag in speech, repetitive statements, and lack in ability to respond to simple questions. Additionally, on or about January 23, 2016, Respondent received treatment at Kingwood Psychiatry, Kingwood, Texas, and was advised not to return to work as of February 4, 2016. 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. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states she returned to care for a patient in January 2016 after a break in December. Respondent states there was a lack of communication regarding changes made to the patient's plan of care. Respondent states she was advised not to return to work around February 2016 and her psychiatrist suggested working in a more monitored work environment.
- On or about June 16, 2016, Respondent underwent a Psychological Evaluation with Wm. Lee Carter, Ed.D., wherein Dr. Carter recommends that Respondent continue in treatment with a psychiatrist or a primary care physician who is adept in treating affective disorders. Dr. Carter further advised that although Respondent is not an imminent threat to the well-being of her patients, she displays current symptoms of depression, tangential thinking, and rambling or loose thoughts. Dr. Carters advised that upon the verification of Respondent's treating physician that her depressive symptoms are properly controlled, it is hoped that she can continue to practice as a registered nurse.
- 10. 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.
- 11. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's mental disorder.
- 12. 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 §217.12(4)&(5).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(12), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 870499, heretofore issued to DANIELLE NICOLE DUBRY.
- 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.
- 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.

TERMS OF ORDER

I. PEER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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):

- A. Within forty-five (45) days following the date of entry of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL apply to TPAPN;
- B. Within ninety (90) days following the date of entry of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL sign and execute the TPAPN participation agreement and complete the enrollment process;
- C. 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;
- D. 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; and
- E. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Texas Board of Nursing of any violation of the TPAPN participation agreement.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW AND APPLICABILITY

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.

- 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. As a result of this Order, Respondent's license will be designated "single state" and 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.

III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

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IV. CONFIDENTIALITY REQUIREMENTS

While RESPONDENT remains in compliance with the terms of this Order, this Order shall remain confidential in accordance with the authority outlined in Section 301.466(d), Texas Occupations Code. However, should Respondent fail to successfully complete the terms of this Order or should Respondent commit a subsequent violation of the Nursing Practice Act or Board Rules, this Order shall be treated as prior disciplinary action and will become public information.

V. EFFECT OF NONCOMPLIANCE

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 TEMPORARY 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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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14 day of GETTURE, 2016.

SEAL

Notary Public in and for the State of TEXAS

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the

Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby accept and enter the Confidential Agreed Order for Peer

Assistance Program that was signed on the 14th day of September, 2016, by DANIELLE NICOLE

DUBRY, Registered Nurse License Number 870499, and said Order is final.

Effective this 20th day of September, 2016.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board