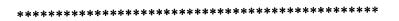
BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of

AGREED

Registered Nurse License Number 768815

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issued to JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, Registered Nurse License Number 768815, 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 April 6, 2017.

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 Weatherford College, Weatherford, Texas, on May 15, 2009. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 4, 2009.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

06/09 - 05/15

RN

Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth, Texas

accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the Texas Board of Nursing.

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Executive Director of the Board

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

06/15 - 11/15 RN Weatherford Regional Medical Center Weatherford, Texas

12/15 - 10/16 RN Epic Health Services Fort Worth, Texas

11/16 - Present Unknown

- 6. On or about June 17, 2016, Respondent was issued an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing requiring Respondent to successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN). A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order, dated June 17, 2016, is attached and incorporated herein, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. At the time of the incidents, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Epic Health Services, Fort Worth, Texas, and had been in that position for three (3) months.
- 8. On or about October 11, 2016, through October 20, 2016, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Epic Health Services, Fort Worth, Texas, and while participating in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses, Respondent inappropriately documented Patient Medical Record Number 960's mother's authorization on Skilled Nursing Flowsheets. Respondent's conduct created an inaccurate medical record and was likely to injure the patient, in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation to further care.
- 9. On or about October 13, 2016, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Epic Health Services, Fort Worth, Texas, and while participating in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses, Respondent submitted a fraudulent Skilled Nursing Flowsheet, in that she documented providing a feeding and a urinary catheterization for Patient Medical Record Number 960 for a time period she was not with the patient. Respondent later admitted to occasionally pre-charting her documentation. Respondent's conduct created an inaccurate medical record and was likely to defraud and deceive the facility of money paid to the Respondent for hours not actually worked. Additionally, Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation for further care.
- 10. On or about October 26, 2016, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Epic Health Services, Fort Worth, Texas, and while participating in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses, Respondent admitted she had left Patient Medical Record Number 960 in wet clothes after the patient soiled himself on occasion. Additionally, Respondent failed to report Patient Medical Record Number 960's increased frequency of wetting to the patient's physician. Respondent's conduct was likely to cause emotional, physical, and/or psychological harm to the patient and could have interfered or disrupted with the patient's treatment.

- In response to Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent denies the allegation and states she was present during her entire shift and performed the documented tasks. In response to Finding of Fact Number Nine (9) Respondent admits she would document 'per parent' rather than acquire a signature because the family said it was fine as they were often too busy to sign themselves. In response to Finding of Fact Number Ten (10), Respondent states she would change the patient's diaper and keep him dry to the best of her ability, but there were days the patient's bag was not properly packed with additional clothes to change him into. Respondent states she did not report a change in wetting frequency because she states there was no change in output.
- 12. On or about September 16, 2016, Respondent successfully completed a Board approved class in Jurisprudence and Ethics, which would have been a requirement of this Order.

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)(C),(6)(H)&(10)(B).
- 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 768815, heretofore issued to JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, 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.

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 768815, previously issued to JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, to practice nursing in Texas is hereby SUSPENDED with the suspension

STAYED and Respondent is hereby placed on PROBATION, in accordance with the terms of this Order, for a minimum of three (3) years AND until Respondent fulfills the requirements 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. SUPERCEDING ORDER

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that the sanction and conditions of this Order SHALL supercede all previous stipulations required by any Order entered by the Texas Board of Nursing.

IV. 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. 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 <u>not</u> 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.

V. MONETARY FINE

RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) 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.

VI. 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 clinical healthcare setting, for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours per month for twelve (12) quarterly periods [three (3) years] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until twelve (12) 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. Direct Supervision: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly 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. Direct supervision requires another nurse, as applicable, 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). 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.
- No Night or Rotating Shifts, Overtime, or On-Call: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a 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.
- E. No Critical Care: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse in any critical care area. 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.
- F. No Administration of Controlled Medications: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL NOT administer or have any contact with controlled substances, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, Propofol, or other synthetic opiates.

- G. Indirect Supervision: For the remainder of the probation period, 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.
- H. 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 twelve (12) quarters [three (3) years] of employment as a nurse.

VII. DRUG AND ALCOHOL RELATED REQUIREMENTS

- Mhile under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL abstain from the use of alcohol, nalbuphine, propofol and all 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 prescription. In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and RESPONDENT SHALL submit to a pain management and/or chemical dependency evaluation by a Board approved evaluator. The performing evaluator must submit a written report meeting the Board's requirements to the Board's office within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.
- B. While working as a nurse under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for alcohol, nalbuphine, propofol and controlled substances. The Board will provide instructions on how to enroll in the Board's drug and alcohol testing program following the entry of this Order and screening will begin when RESPONDENT obtains

employment and submits the Notification of Employment form to the Board.

- For the first three (3) month [1st quarter] period RESPONDENT works as a nurse under the terms of this Order, random screens shall be performed at least once per week.
- For the next three (3) month [2nd quarter] period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month.
- For the next six (6) month period [3rd & 4th quarters], random screens shall be performed at least once per month.
- For the remainder of the probation period, if any, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) month quarterly period.

All random screens SHALL BE conducted through urinalysis. Any test result for a period of time in which the RESPONDENT is not working as a nurse under the terms of this Order will not count towards satisfaction of this requirement. 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 stipulation/probation period.

<u>Specimens shall be screened</u> for any or all of the following substances and/or their metabolites:

Amphetamine	Methamphetamine	MDMA
MDA	Alprazolam	Diazepam
Alpha-o-alprazolam	Alpha-Hydroxytriazolam	Clonazepam
Desmethyldiazepam	Lorazepam	Midazolam
Oxazepam	Temazepam	Amobarbital
Butabarbital	Butalbital	Pentobarbital
Phenobarbital	Secobarbital	Codeine
Hydrocodone	Hydromorphone	Methadone
Morphine	Opiates	Oxycodone
Oxymorphone	Propoxyphene	Cannabinoids
Cocaine	Phencyclidine	Ethanol
Heroin	Fentanyl	Tramadol
Meperidine	Carisoprodol	Butorphanol
Nalbuphine	Ketamine	Propofol

Upon enrollment in the Board's drug and alcohol testing program, RESPONDENT SHALL, on a daily basis, call or login online to the Board's designated drug and alcohol testing vendor to determine whether or not RESPONDENT has been selected to produce a specimen for screening that day and SHALL, if selected, produce a specimen for screening that same day at an approved testing location and/or comply with

any additional instructions from the vendor or Board staff. Further, 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.

Consequences of Positive or Missed Screens. Any positive result for which RESPONDENT does not have a valid prescription or refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol screen may subject RESPONDENT to 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. Further, failure to report for a drug screen, excessive dilute specimens, or failure to call in for a drug screen may be considered the same as a positive result or refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol screen.

C. While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL attend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which must be for substance abuse and provided by Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, or another comparable recovery program that has been pre-approved by the Board. 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) month quarterly period. No duplications, copies, third party signatures, or any other substitutions will be accepted as evidence.

VIII. 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.

IX. 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.

Signed this 30 day of	May , 20/7.	
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JAMINICOLE MCLAU	GHLIN, Respondent	_

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30 th day of May , 2017.

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STATE OF 1EXAS
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Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Approved as to form and substance.

Jennifer Morris Andrews, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 15 day of June, 2017.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>30th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 20<u>17</u>, by JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, Registered Nurse License Number 768815, and said Order is final.

Effective this 20th day of July , 2017.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of

Registered Nurse License Number 768815 issued to JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN

AGREED

ş ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, Registered Nurse License Number 768815, 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)(9),(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 May 18, 2016.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 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 1. show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license(s).
- Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order. 2.
- 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 Weatherford College, Weatherford, Texas, on May 15, 2009. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of 4. Texas on June 4, 2009.
- Respondent's nursing employment history includes: 5.

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RN

Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth, Texashereby certify this to be a complete, rate, and true copy of the document which file or is of record in the offices of the

ecutive Director of the Board

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

06/15 - 11/15

RN

Weatherford Regional Medical Center

Weatherford, Texas

12/15 - Present

Unknown

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, and had been in that position for approximately five (5) years and two (2) months.
- 7. On or about July 28, 2014, through May 4, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent withdrew six (6) vials of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml from the medication dispensing system for patients without a valid physician's order. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients, in that the administration of the medications without valid physicians' orders could result in the patients suffering from adverse reactions. Further, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- 8. On or about July 28, 2014, through May 4, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent withdrew eight (8) vials of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml, one (1) vial of Morphine 4mg/ml, and three (3) vials of Morphine 10mg/1ml from the medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to follow the facility's policy and procedures for wastage of the unused portions of the medications. Respondent's conduct left medication unaccounted for, was likely to deceive the hospital pharmacy, and placed the pharmacy in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- On or about July 28, 2014, through May 4, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent misappropriated eight (8) vials of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml, one (1) vial of Morphine 4mg/ml, and three (3) vials of Morphine 10mg/ml belonging to the facility or patients thereof, or failed to take precautions to prevent such misappropriation. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud the facility and patients of the cost of the medications.
- 10. On or about March 3, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent withdrew one (1) vial of Morphine 4mg/1mg from the medication dispensing system for a patient, but failed to document, and/or completely and accurately document, the administration of the medication in the patient's Medication Administration Record and/or nurses' notes. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients, in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation to further medicate the patients, which could result in an overdose. Additionally, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the

Texas Health and Safety Code.

- On or about March 3, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris 11. Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent withdrew Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml from the medication dispensing system for a patient in excess frequency and/or dosage of the physician's order. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that the administration of Fentanyl in excess frequency of the physician's order could result in the patient suffering from adverse reactions. Additionally, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- On or about May 12, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Texas Health Harris 12. Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Fentanyl, in that she produced a specimen for a for-cause drug screen that resulted positive for Fentanyl. Unlawful possession of Fentanyl is prohibited by Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health & Safety Code. The use of Fentanyl by a Registered Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms, or changes in a 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 a patient in potential danger.
- On or about October 14, 2015, through October 28, 2015, while employed as a Registered 13, Nurse with Weatherford Regional Medical Center, Weatherford, Texas, Respondent withdrew eleven (11) vial of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml from the medication dispensing system for patients without a valid physician's order. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients, in that the administration of the medications without valid physicians' orders could result in the patients suffering from adverse reactions. Further, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- On or about October 14, 2015, through October 28, 2015, while employed as a Registered 14. Nurse with Weatherford Regional Medical Center, Weatherford, Texas, Respondent withdrew ten (10) vials of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml from the medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to document, and/or completely and accurately document, the administration of the medications in the patients' Medication Administration Records and/or nurses' notes. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients, in that subsequent care givers would rely on her documentation to further medicate the patients, which could result in an overdose. Additionally, Respondent's conduct placed the hospital in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- On or about October 14, 2015, through October 28, 2015, while employed as a Registered 15. Nurse with Weatherford Regional Medical Center, Weatherford, Texas, Respondent withdrew thirteen (13) vials of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml from the medication dispensing system for patients, but failed to follow the facility's policy and procedures for wastage of the unused portions of the medications. Respondent's conduct left medication unaccounted for,

- was likely to deceive the hospital pharmacy, and placed the pharmacy in violation of Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- On or about October 14, 2015, through October 28, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Weatherford Regional Medical Center, Weatherford, Texas, Respondent misappropriated thirteen (13) vials of Fentanyl 100mcg/2ml from the facility or patients thereof, or failed to take precautions to prevent such misappropriation. Respondent's conduct was likely to defraud the facility and patients of the cost of the medications.
- 17. On or about October 22, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Weatherford Regional Medical Center, Weatherford, Texas, Respondent falsely documented in the patient's Medication Administration Record (MAR) that she had administered one (1) tab of Ativan 1mg to Patient Medical Record Number 182837, when there were no medication withdrawals from the medication dispensing system associated with the time or date of administration. Respondent's conduct created an inaccurate medical record, and the failure to administer medications as ordered by the physician could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment.
- On or about October 29, 2015, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Weatherford Regional Medical Center, Weatherford, Texas, Respondent engaged in the intemperate use of Fentanyl, in that she produced a specimen for a for-cause drug screen that resulted positive for Fentanyl. Unlawful possession of Fentanyl is prohibited by Chapter 481 (Controlled Substances Act) of the Texas Health & Safety Code. The use of Fentanyl by a Registered Nurse, while subject to call or duty, could impair the nurse's ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms, or changes in a 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 a patient in potential danger.
- 19. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) through Eighteen (18), Respondent neither admits nor denies she withdrew medications without a physician's order, or she misappropriated or failed to prevent misappropriation. Respondent denies she failed to document Morphine, and denies she administered medication in excess frequency, due to the vagueness in how time and dosage are measured according to the facility's policy.
- 20. 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.
- 21. Formal Charges were filed on December 22, 2015.
- 22. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on December 22, 2015.
- 23. 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.

- 24. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use disorder.
- 25. 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 substance use disorder.
- 26. 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.
- Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(1)(D)\&(3)$ and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C),(4),(5),(6)(A),(6)(G),(6)(H),(8),(10)(A),(10)(B),(10)(C),(10)$ (D),(10)(E)&(11)(B)
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(9),(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 768815, heretofore issued to JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, 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 768815, previously issued to JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, 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 provides a copy of the fully executed TPAPN participation agreement to the Board.

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 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. 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 -7-

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. SUBSEQUENT CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, should the Respondent's conduct, as outlined in the findings of fact of this Order, result in subsequent judicial action, including a deferred disposition, Respondent may be subject to further disciplinary action, up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

VII. 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.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) afleged 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, lagree to the entry of this Order and all conditions of said Order to obtain disposition of the allegations through neer 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 beense(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

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

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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 14th day of June, 20 16, by JAMI NICOLE MCLAUGHLIN, Registered Nurse License Number 768815, and said Order is final.

Effective this 17th day of June, 2016.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

of said Board