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*Katherine A. Thomas*  
Executive Director of the Board

## BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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In the Matter of	§	AGREED
Registered Nurse License Number 717229	§	
& Vocational Nurse License Number 141402	§	
issued to ANGELICA PREZA-VILLARREAL	§	ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of ANGELICA PREZA-VILLARREAL, Registered Nurse License Number 717229 and Vocational Nurse License Number 141402, 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 October 5, 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 vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in current 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 the Army Practical Nurse Course, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on February 18, 1993; and Respondent received an Associate Degree in Nursing from South Texas College, McAllen, Texas, on May 12, 2005. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on May 25, 1993; and Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 21, 2005.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

1993 - 1994	LVN	US Army - Fort Sam Houston San Antonio, Texas
1994 - 1998	LVN	Bethel Home Health Roma, Texas
1999 - 2002	LVN	UT Health Science Center Rio Grande City, Texas
01/03 - 06/05	LVN	Palm Valley Health Care Edinburg, Texas
06/05 - 07/14	RN	Palm Valley Health Care Edinburg, Texas
08/14 - 10/16	Unknown	
11/16 - 01/17	RN Case Manager	Palm Valley Health Care II, Inc. Edinburg, Texas
02/17 - Present	Unknown	

6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse Case Manager with Palm Valley Health Care II, Inc., Edinburg, Texas, and had been in that position for less than one (1) month.
7. On or about December 12, 2016, and December 14, 2016, while employed with Palm Valley Health Care II, Inc., Edinburg, Texas, Respondent completed recertification visits for Patient Numbers 2EF, 4EO, 5SR, and 3HH, but failed to complete and submit her recertification nursing visit notes. Respondent's conduct created incomplete medical records and was likely to injure the patients in that subsequent care givers would not have complete information to base their decisions for further care.
8. On or about December 16, 2016, while employed with Palm Valley Health Care II, Inc., Edinburg, Texas, Respondent completed a follow-up nursing visit for Patient Number 1HF, but failed to complete and submit her nursing visit note. Respondent's conduct created an incomplete medical record and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would not have complete information to base their decisions for further care.
9. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) and Eight (8), Respondent states that due to a lack of proper training on the documentation software program, she was unable to

complete the recertification packets in a timely manner. Respondent further states that the patients continued to be seen without interruption and without adverse affects.

### 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),(B)&(D) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(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 717229 and Vocational Nurse License Number 141402, heretofore issued to ANGELICA PREZA-VILLARREAL.
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 RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of **REMEDIAL EDUCATION** 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. As a result of this Order, Respondent's license(s) will be designated "single state" and Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state.

## 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. UNDERSTANDING BOARD ORDERS

Within thirty (30) days of entry of this Order, RESPONDENT must successfully complete the Board's online course, "Understanding Board Orders," which can be accessed on the Board's website from the "Discipline & Complaints" drop-down menu or directly at: <http://www.bon.texas.gov/UnderstandingBoardOrders/index.asp>. Upon successful completion, RESPONDENT must submit the course verification at the conclusion of the course, which automatically transmits the verification to the Board.

## 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. **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. **A Board-approved course in nursing documentation** that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include: 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. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.
- C. **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 pre-approved provider. *Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at [www.bon.texas.gov/compliance](http://www.bon.texas.gov/compliance).*

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.

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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. 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.

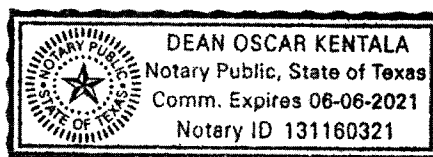
Signed this 01 day of Dec., 2017.

Angelica Preza-Villarreal  
ANGELICA PREZA-VILLARREAL, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 01 day of Dec., 2017.


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Notary Public in and for the State of \_\_\_\_\_



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 1st day of December, 20 17, by ANGELICA PREZA-VILLARREAL, Registered Nurse License Number 717229 and Vocational Nurse License Number 141402, and said Order is final.

Effective this 5th day of December, 20 17.

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