

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of \$ AGREED ORDER Registered Nurse License Number 830920 \$ issued to MICHAEL ROSAL PAGUIO \$

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of MICHAEL ROSAL PAGUIO, Registered Nurse License Number 830920, 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)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Agreed Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on March 8, 2019.

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 Agreed Order.
- 3. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from University of Virgin Islands, St Thomas, Virgin Islands, on May 18, 2009. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on February 1, 2013.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

2/2013 - 8/2014

Registered Nurse

Baylor Medical Center of

Emergency Department McKinney

McKinney, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

| 5/2013 - Present | Registered Nurse Emergency Department | HCA-Medical City Lewisville, Texas |
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| 9/2014 – 3/2016 | Registered Nurse | First Choice ER Allen, Texas |
| 3/2016 – 3/2018 | Registered Nurse | Texas Health Emergency Room Frisco, Texas |
| 3/2018 – 2/2019 | Registered Nurse | City Hospital Emergency Care Center (Texas Health ER) Little Elm, Texas |
| 4/2018 — 12/2018 | Registered Nurse Emergency Department | The Heart Hospital Baylor Denton Denton, Texas |

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with The Heart Hospital Baylor Denton, Denton, Texas, and had been in that position for one (1) month.
- 7. On or about May 25, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with The Heart Hospital Baylor Denton, Denton, Texas, and assigned to the Emergency Department, Respondent lacked fitness to practice nursing in that he was found to be sleeping while on duty. Respondent's condition could have affected his ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected his ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.
- 8. On or about June 8, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with The Heart Hospital Baylor Denton, Denton, Texas, and assigned to the Emergency Department, Respondent mislabeled a urine specimen belonging to a patient. As a result, the patient had to submit another specimen. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurately labeled specimen and could have injured the patient in that subsequent care givers would not have complete information on which to base their care decisions

- 9. On or about July 25, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with The Heart Hospital Baylor Denton, Denton, Texas, and assigned to the Emergency Department, Respondent failed to register a patient upon arrival in the Emergency Department in Quick Reg, the after-hours patient registration system. Respondent's conduct could have resulted in a delay in care and could have injured the patient in that subsequent care givers would not have complete information on which to base their care decisions.
- 10. On or about December 13, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with The Heart Hospital Baylor Denton, Denton, Texas, and assigned to the Emergency Department, Respondent lacked fitness to practice nursing in that he was found to be sleeping while on duty. Subsequently, Respondent confirmed in an email that while on duty, Respondent slept 5-10 minutes and indicated that he had taken medications that could cause drowsiness. Respondent's condition could have affected his ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected his ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patients in potential danger.
- 11. In response to Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) through Ten (10), Respondent admits to the allegations. In the first sleeping incident, Respondent states he was taking his thirty-minute break, however, he set his alarm clock for the incorrect time and was woken up by the emergency department manager. Respondent states he didn't check the label before submitting the specimen in the lab as this was the only patient in the ER, however, the label belonged to the patient that had previously been in the room. Respondent states he was inexperienced in Quick Reg and the other RN on duty would usually register the patients; he states he notified his house supervisor that he was unable to register the patient and the patient was registered by someone else shortly thereafter. Respondent states he had been suffering from a cough and took medication before his shift; Respondent states he was doing online educational assignments and closed his eyes due to strain and was then woken up by the emergency department doctor five to ten minutes later.

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),(1)(E),(4)&(5).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10),(12)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 830920, heretofore issued to MICHAEL ROSAL PAGUIO.

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. 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 Nursing Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §§211.1 et seq., and this Agreed 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 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 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.

V. 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, <u>for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours per month</u> 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. 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 of 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 individual who supervises the RESPONDENT and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising individual 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.

VI. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and, subject to meeting all existing eligibility requirements in Texas Occupations Code Chapter 304, Article III, 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 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 this Order is subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing and a copy of this Order will be mailed to me once the Order becomes effective. 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) and/or privileges to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 23 day of APRIL, 2019

MICHAEL ROSAL PAGUIO, Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 23

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EVAMARIA MCKEE STEWART Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 09-12-2020 Notary ID 130817080 Notary Public in and for the State of

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>23rd</u> day of <u>April</u>, <u>2019</u>, by MICHAEL ROSAL PAGUIO, Registered Nurse License Number 830920, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 14th day of May, 2019.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board