

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of	§	AGREED ORDER
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License	§	
Number AP128700 with Prescription	§	
Authorization Number 18448,	§	
Registered Nurse License Number 795288	§	
& Vocational Nurse License Number 129139	§	
issued to ROBIN LYNN ARGYLE	§	

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On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of ROBIN LYNN ARGYLE, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP128700 with Prescription Authorization Number 18448, Registered Nurse License Number 795288, and Vocational Nurse License Number 129139, 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 Agreed Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on November 18, 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 vocational nurse in the State of Texas is in delinquent status. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status. Respondent's license to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State of Texas with authorization as a Family Nurse Practitioner is in current status with Prescription Authorization Number 18448 in current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Certificate in Vocational Nursing from Western Oklahoma Vocational School, Burns Flat, Oklahoma, on August 12, 1986. Respondent received an

Associate Degree in Nursing from McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas, on December 10, 2010. Respondent completed a Family Nurse Practitioner Program from Frontier Nursing University, Hyden, Kentucky, on July 1, 2015. Respondent was licensed to practice vocational nursing in the State of Texas on November 8, 1990. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on January 18, 2011. Respondent was licensed to practice advanced practice registered nursing in the State of Texas with authorization as a Family Nurse Practitioner on August 4, 2015. Respondent was licensed to practice advanced practice registered nursing in the State of Texas with authorization as a Family Nurse Practitioner with Prescription Authorization on August 4, 2015.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

11/1990 – 12/2000	Unknown	
1/2001 - 12/2002	LPN	West Front Primary Care Traverse City, MI
1/2003 – 5/2008	LPN	Hospice Center of Durant Durant, OK
5/2008 – 7/2012	LVN	Angel Medical Professionals Waco, TX
7/2009 – 7/2013	RN	Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center Waco, TX
7/2013 – 7/2015	RN	Falls Community Hospital Marlin, TX
8/2015 – 9/2016	FNP	Grand Lake Mental Health Claremore, OK
9/2016 – 9/2018	FNP	Axis Healthcare Bartlesville, OK
10/2017 – 1/2019	FNP	MedExpress Urgent Care Waxahachie, TX
11/2018 – Present	FNP	Falls Community Rural Health Clinic Marlin, TX

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner with Falls Community Rural Health Clinic, Marlin, Texas, and had been in that position for four (4) months.
- 7. On or about March 14, 2019, while employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner at Falls Community Rural Health Clinic, Marlin, Texas, Respondent failed to review the current medications. including the dosage of Tramadol prescribed for Patient GC. Respondent prescribed Tramadol Extended Release (ER) 300mg capsule instead of Tramadol 50mg 1-2 tablets every 6 hours as needed, as previously prescribed. As a result, the patient took the Tramadol 50mg along with Tramadol ER 300mg and experienced adverse effects including lightheadedness and severe dizziness. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from adverse effects of an overdose of Tramadol including respiratory depression and hypotension.
- 8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states the previous provider ordered Tramadol 300mg, but after notification by the pharmacy, then changed the dose to 50mg 1-2 tabs every 6 hours as needed. The Electronic Medical Record (EMR) was not updated to reflect the corrected dose, so Respondent continued the incorrect dose as documented in the EMR.

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)(M) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §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 Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP128700 with Prescription Authorization Number 18448, Registered Nurse License Number 795288, and Vocational Nurse License Number 129139, heretofore issued to ROBIN LYNN ARGYLE.
- 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 **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 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. <u>The course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills,"</u> 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 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>.

V. 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) and/or privilege(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.

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 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 possible revocation of my license(s) and/or privileges to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29

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JESSICA FORD lotary Public, State of Texas omm. Expires 09-02-2020 Notary ID 130807153

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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 <u>29th</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2019, by ROBIN LYNN ARGYLE, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP128700, Registered Nurse License Number 795288, and Vocational Nurse License Number 129139, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 4th day of February, 2019.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board