BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 643342 issued to AMY RASKIN AGREED ORDER

I do hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document which is on file or is of record in the offices of the

xecutive Director of the Board

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of AMY RASKIN, Registered Nurse License Number 643342, 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 July 24, 2020.

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 Texas Health Science Center, Houston, Texas, on May 1, 1997. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on July 15, 1997.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

7/1997 - 5/2013

Unknown

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Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

6/2013 – 1/2015	Registered Nurse	Aspen Home Healthcare Lewisville, Texas
11/2014 – 10/2015	Registered Nurse	Advocate Pediatric Home Health Conroe, Texas
10/2015 – 12/2015	Registered Nurse	Pediatric Healthcare Connection Austin, Texas
12/2015 – 2/2019	Registered Nurse	Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired Austin, Texas
3/2019	Unknown	
4/2019	Registered Nurse	MGA Homecare Austin, Texas
5/2019 – 7/2019	Unknown	
8/2019 - Present	Registered Nurse	Multnomah Education Service District Portland, Oregon

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Austin, Texas, and had been in that position for two (2) years and eleven (11) months.
- 7. On or about November 27, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Austin, Texas, Respondent miscalculated the carbohydrate count for Student J.E., and administered an incorrect dose of insulin, in that Respondent administered 5 units of insulin, instead of 6 units of insulin, as ordered. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that failure to administer medication as ordered could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment.
- 8. On or about January 7, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Austin, Texas, Respondent administered the incorrect dose of Ibuprofen to Student T.W., in that Respondent administered 400 mg Ibuprofen, instead of 200 mg, per standing orders for the patient's age. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that failure to administer medication as ordered could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment.

- 9. On or about January 7, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Austin, Texas, Respondent administered 10 ml Wal-Tussin DM cough syrup to Student E.H., violating standing orders that prohibited the administration of Dextromethorphan to students taking a Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitor (SSRI) medication, a kind of medication that Student E.H. was receiving. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that failure to administer medication as ordered could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment.
- 10. On or about February 12, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Austin, Texas, Respondent administered Latanoprost eye drops to Student L.A. and failed to document the administration into the student's medication administration record, resulting in another nurse also administering the eye drops. Subsequently, the student received a double dose of ordered eye drops. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate and incomplete medication record, and was likely to injure the student in that subsequent caregivers did not have accurate and complete information on which to base their decisions for further care.
- 11. On or about February 19, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Austin, Texas, Respondent failed to document administration of liquid cough medication in the medication administration record (MAR) for Student A.G., which was ordered to be given every 8 hours. Subsequently, another nurse administered the medication 6 hours after previous dose that resulted with Student A.G. receiving medication too close to previous administration. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate and incomplete medication record, and was likely to injure the student in that subsequent caregivers did not have accurate and complete information on which to base their decisions for further care.
- 12. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven, Respondent states that the student was known to have labile diabetes and the carbohydrate calculations are estimations. Respondent states that her concern for the student was to keep his blood sugar from dropping too low during the night. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Eight (8), Respondent states that the student was a significantly overweight child with a complaint of a headache. Respondent states that though the student was underage for the manufacturer's guidelines, the student was more within the weight guidelines for the 400 mg dose of ibuprofen and Respondent was concerned that the lower dose would not cover her pain. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Nine (9), Respondent states that she was distracted and did not review the SSRI medication in the student's medical record. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Ten (10), Respondent admits that she failed to return the medication to the student's medication bin and failed to sign the student's medication administration record. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Eleven (11), Respondent states that she was rushing to pass medications to student and forgot to sign the student's medication administration record.

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 $\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)\&(1)(D)$ and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)\&(4)$.
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 643342, heretofore issued to AMY RASKIN.
- 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 **REPRIMAND 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" as applicable and RESPONDENT may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state using a Texas compact license.

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. <u>A Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics</u> 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>A Board-approved course in medication administration</u> with a didactic portion of not less than six (6) hours and a clinical component of not less than twenty-four

- (24) hours. Both the didactic and clinical components must be provided by the same Registered Nurse. The course's content shall include: a review of proper administration procedures for all standard routes; computation of drug dosages; the six (6) rights of medication administration; factors influencing the choice of route; and possible adverse effects resulting from improper administration. The clinical component SHALL focus on tasks of medication administration only. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. Successful completion of this course requires RESPONDENT to successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course.
- C. 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.
- D. <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. 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 eight (8) quarterly periods [two (2) years] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until eight (8) 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 eight (8) quarters [two (2) years] 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) 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.

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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 5th day of October, 2020.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5^{10} day of 0C+., 2020.

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Notary Public in and for the State of Org

OFFICIAL STAMP

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 5th day of October, 2020, by AMY RASKIN, Registered Nurse License Number 643342, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 10th day of November, 2020.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board