In the Matter of Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 590120 Issued to IFEANYI OBI UDENSI SR, Respondent

BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

8888 **ELIGIBILITY AND**

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: Ifeanyi Udensi Sr 7518 Century Bluff San Antonio, TX 78250

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on August 10, 2021, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458. Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by



reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing [22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 590120, previously issued to IFEANYI OBI UDENSI SR to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 10th day of August, 2021

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TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment: Formal Charges filed February 11, 2021

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Re: Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 590120
Issued to IFEANYI OBI UDENSI SR
DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 13th and of August, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following person(s), as follows:

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<u>Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested,</u> Copy Via USPS First Class Mail

> Ifeanyi Udensi Sr 7518 Century Bluff San Antonio, TX 78250

> > BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

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FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, IFEANYI OBI UDENSI SR, is a Registered Nurse holding license number 590120 which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

CHARGE I.

On or about September 11, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent inappropriately left his assigned duty at the Central Telemetry Unit monitoring station without ensuring there was nursing coverage, resulting in the unit being unattended. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure patients in that significant changes in the patients' cardiac status may have gone undetected and prevented a timely intervention.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(I), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4)&(12).

CHARGE II.

On or about September 11, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to notify the primary nurse and/or physician when the patient he was monitoring from the Central Telemetry Unit had oxygen saturation readings outside of the ordered parameters. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from delayed treatment.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b) (10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P)\&(3)(A)$, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.12(1)(A)\&(4)$.

CHARGE III.

On or about October 6, 2018, through October 8, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent inappropriately left his assigned duty at the Central Telemetry Unit monitoring station without ensuring nursing coverage leaving the unit unattended. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure patients in that significant changes in the patients' cardiac status may have gone undetected and prevented a timely intervention.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b) (10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(I), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4)&(12).

CHARGE IV.

On or about October 6, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to notify the primary care nurse and/or physician when a Patient that was assigned to the Respondent had continued changes noted to his Telemetry monitoring throughout Respondent's assigned shift. Additionally, Respondent failed to give an accurate hand-off with details of the changes to the oncoming nurse. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that significant changes in the patient's cardiac status may have gone undetected and prevented a timely intervention.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b) (10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE \$217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P)&(3)(A), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(1)(A)&(4).

CHARGE V.

On or about October 16, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to adequately provide Hand-Off Report to oncoming nurse, in that Respondent did not inform the oncoming nurse of the change in condition of two (2) patients. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from delayed treatment.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b) (10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P)&(3)(A)$, and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4)$.

CHARGE VI.

On or about November 14, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to notify the Primary Nurse and/or Physician of rhythm changes for a patient, including an increased heart rate and decreased oxygen saturation. Subsequently, the rapid response team (DARRT) was activated and patient transferred to a higher level of care. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from potentially adverse complications of undetected and untreated cardiac arrhythmias, including possible demise.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b) (10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P)\&(3)(A)$, and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE $\S217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)\&(4)$.

CHARGE VII.

On or about November 28, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with South Texas Veterans Health Care, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to print out telemetry rhythm strip showing a change in patient's telemetry reading. Additionally, Respondent failed to notify the physician and Supervisor of the patient's change in condition. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient from potentially adverse complications of undetected and untreated cardiac arrhythmias, including possible demise.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b) (10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(D),(1)(M),(1)(P)&(3)(A), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).

NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) and/or privilege(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§ 213.27 - 213.33.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, located at 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §213.33(b), which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

Filed this 11th day of February, 2021.

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