

executive Director of the Board

In the Matter of \$ AGREED ORDER Registered Nurse License Number 925764 \$ issued to BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE \$

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE, Registered Nurse License Number 925764, 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)(2)&(10), 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 14, 2021.

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 Southwestern Adventist University, Keene, Texas, on May 1, 2017. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 27, 2017.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history is unknown.
- 6. On or about November 12, 2019, Respondent was issued the sanction of Warning with Stipulations through an Order of the Board. On or about February 26, 2020, Respondent

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successfully completed the terms of the Order. A copy of the November 12, 2019, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Agreed Order.

7. On or about January 13, 2021, Respondent provided inaccurate and misleading information when she submitted an online application for license to practice professional nursing in the State of Arizona when she answered "No" to the following question:

"Have you ever had any disciplinary action on a nursing license or a privilege to practice in any state, county, or province?"

8. In response to Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states she filled out the questions to the best of her knowledge. She was not aware that the KSTAR program was designed for remediation and at the time of the discipline, and was not aware that upon completing the program that it stays on her record as discipline and that she should disclose that information on all applications. Respondent states when filling out the application, she went by the TBON website in that there was disciplinary action on her license at that time. Respondent states she did not intend to misrepresent or present inaccurate information. Respondent also stated she did not entirely understand the question and/or knew how to answer it. Respondent thought since she completed the order, her license was unencumbered. She states this was a mistake due to confusion rather than maliciousness.

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 §217.12(6)(I).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 925764, heretofore issued to BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE.
- 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 WITH FINE** 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. Until successfully completed, RESPONDENT may not practice nursing in the State of Texas except in accordance with the terms of this Order.
- D. 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. 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 <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. MONETARY FINE

RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) within forty-five (45) days of the effective date of this Order. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

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 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.

Signed this 7 day of September 2021

BRANDANICHOLE MCINTYRE, RESPONDENT

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

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NATASHIA IRENE STRANGE Notary Public, State of Texas Comm. Expires 03-31-2024

Notary Public in and for the State of

day of Sentember, 20,

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 7th day of September, 2021, by BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE, Registered Nurse License Number 925764, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 9th day of September, 2021.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board



BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 925764 issued to BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE AGREED ORDER FOR KSTAR PROGRAM Ido hereby certify this to be a complete, accurate, and true copy of the document while is on file or is of record in the offices of the D Texas Board of Nursing.

Executive Director of the Board

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE, Registered Nurse License Number 925764, 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 for KSTAR Program approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on August 21, 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 for KSTAR Program.
- 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 Southwestern Adventist University, Keene, Texas, on May 1, 2017. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on June 27, 2017.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

7/2017 - Present Registered Nurse Methodist Charlton Medical Center Dallas, Texas

- 6. At the time of the incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Methodist Charlton Medical Center, Dallas, Texas, and had been in that position for one (1) year and nine (9) months.
- 7. On or about April 23, 2019, while employed as a Registered Nurse at Methodist Charlton Medical Center, Dallas, Texas, Respondent incorrectly administered a fentanyl infusion to Patient MHD0483521, a patient who had been emergently intubated for acute respiratory failure, by incorrectly entering the concentration of the medication into the infusion pump instead of utilizing the safety guardrails function for the medication. Subsequently, the patient received fentanyl at a rate of 418.5 ml/hr instead of the ordered 4.18 ml/hr. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patient in that failure to correctly administer ordered medication could have resulted in non-efficacious treatment.
- 8. In response to the incident in Finding of Fact Number Seven (7), Respondent states the patient was brought in toward the end of her shift. Given the patient's condition, the patient was immediately intubated and the physician ordered numerous critical drips that the Respondent started. Respondent states that she stayed in the patient's room while these drips were infusing and closely monitored the patient. Respondent states that the patient's vital signs did not change while the medications were infusing. One of the pumps started alarming that the tubing had air and Respondent noticed that the fentanyl bag was empty. Respondent states she called the pharmacy regarding her concern that the fentanyl drip finished so quickly and to inform them that the unit had no more fentanyl. Respondent states that while on the phone with the pharmacy, the pharmacist was questioning Respondent regarding the rate. Respondent states she attempted to calculate the correct rate and could not understand why it was not correct when she realized her mistake. Respondent states that the label on the bag of fentanyl read 10 mcg/ml in 0.9% sodium chloride. The bag contained 100 ml of sodium chloride. Respondent states she did not calculate this into 1000 mcg in a 100 ml bag. Respondent states she reported her error to the charge nurse and kept a close eye on the patient.
- 9. Formal Charges were filed on July 25, 2019.

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)(C) and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(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 925764, heretofore issued to BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE.
- 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 for KSTAR Program.

III. KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, TRAINING, ASSESSMENT AND RESEARCH (KSTAR) PROGRAM

IT IS AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the effective date of this Order, successfully complete the Knowledge, Skills, Training, Assessment and Research (KSTAR) Program and RESPONDENT SHALL:

- A. Within forty-five (45) days following the effective date of this Order, apply to and enroll in the KSTAR Program, including payment of any fees and costs, unless otherwise agreed in writing;
- B. Submit to an individualized assessment designed to evaluate RESPONDENT'S nursing practice competency and to support a targeted remediation plan;
- C. Follow all requirements within the remediation plan, if any;
- D. Successfully complete a Board-approved course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics as part of the KSTAR Program; and
- E. Provide written documentation of successful completion of the KSTAR Program to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office.

IV. FURTHER COMPETENCY ISSUES AND VIOLATIONS

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT'S individualized KSTAR Program assessment identify further competency issues and violations of the Nursing Practice Act, including inability to practice nursing safely, further disciplinary action, up to and including revocation of RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, may be taken based on such results in the assessments.

V. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order for KSTAR Program, 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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Signed this 26 day of Spenher, 2019.

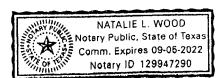
BRAND NICHOLE MCINTYRE, RESPONDENT

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 20 day of September 20 19

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Notary Public in and for the State of Japan

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order for KSTAR Program that was signed on the 26th day of September, 2019, by BRANDI NICHOLE MCINTYRE, Registered Nurse License Number 925764, and said Agreed Order for KSTAR Program is final.

Effective this 12th day of November, 2019.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

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Executive Director on behalf

of said Board