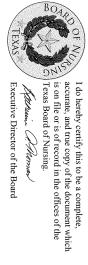


In the Matter of	§	AGREED ORDER
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License	§	
Number AP120310 with Prescription	§	
Authorization Number 11288	§	
& Registered Nurse License Number 685064	§	
issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE	§	



On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP120310 with Prescription Authorization Number 11288, and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, 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 December 30, 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 nurse licensure compact invalid status. Respondent's license to practice as an advanced practice registered nurse in the State of Texas with authorization as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner is in inactive status with Prescription Authorization Number 11288 in inactive status.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas, on December 14, 2001. Respondent completed a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program from the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas, on April 22, 2011. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of

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Texas on March 12, 2002. Respondent was licensed to practice advanced practice registered nursing in the State of Texas with authorization as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner on May 25, 2011. Respondent was licensed to practice advanced practice registered nursing in the State of Texas with authorization as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Prescription Authorization on May 25, 2011.

5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

3/2002 - 2006	RN	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Houston, Texas
2006 - 2007	RN	Medical Center of Plano Plano, Texas
2007 – 2008	RN	Piedmont Medical Center Rock Hill, South Carolina
2008 – 2011	RN	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Houston, Texas
2010 – 2011	Pediatric Clinical Rotations	
5/2011 – 5/2012	PNP	Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston Houston, Texas
5/2012 – 6/2012	PNP	Ramsey Pediatric Center Cypress, Texas
7/2012 – 5/2013	Unknown	
6/2013 – 9/2013	PNP	Munoz Pediatrics, PA Humble, Texas
10/2013 - 2/2015	Unknown	
3/2015 – 11/2015	RN	Healthbridge Children's Hospital Houston, Texas

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

12/2015 – 02/2016	Unknown	
3/2016 – 9/2016	RN	We Care Kids Care Spring, Texas
9/2016 – 7/2018	RN	CN Healthcare, Inc. Houston, Texas
8/2018	RN	Special Kids Care Houston, Texas
9/2018 – Present	Unknown	

- 6. On or about December 18, 2013, Respondent's licenses to practice nursing in the State of Texas were Suspended and Respondent was required to successfully complete the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses (TPAPN) through an Order of the Board. On October 6, 2017, Respondent successfully completed terms of the Order. A copy of the December 18, 2013, Order is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Agreed Order.
- 7. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Special Kids Care, Houston, Texas, and had been in that position for less than one (1) month.
- 8. On or about August 24, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Special Kids Care, Houston, Texas, and on assignment in the home of Patient D.G. for orientation, Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing in that she was observed having slurred speech and difficulty staying awake. Respondent's condition could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.
- 9. On or about August 28, 2018, while employed as a Registered Nurse with Special Kids Care, Houston, Texas, and on assignment in the home of Patient A.F. for orientation, Respondent lacked fitness to practice professional nursing in that she was observed having slurred speech and unsteady gait. Respondent's condition could have affected her ability to recognize subtle signs, symptoms or changes in patients' conditions, and could have affected her ability to make rational, accurate, and appropriate assessments, judgments, and decisions regarding patient care, thereby placing the patient in potential danger.

- 10. On or about August 28, 2018, Respondent submitted to a for cause drug screen which resulted negative. On December 18, 2018, July 3, 2019, and October 4, 2019, Respondent voluntarily submitted to hair follicle drug screens which all resulted negative.
- 11. Regarding the conduct outlined in Findings of Fact Numbers Eight (8) and Nine (9), Respondent denies being unfit, and she explains she had a blood pressure medication change which she took that morning on an empty stomach which caused her to be slightly drowsy. Respondent states she did not provide patient care. Respondent states she finished patient orientation after which she left the home and drove home without anyone mentioning any concerns of her behavior during her shift.
- 12. Formal Charges were filed on November 19, 2018.

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)(T), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE \$217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(E)&(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 Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP120310 with Prescription Authorization Number 11288, and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, heretofore issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE.
- 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 LIMITED LICENSE WITH STIPULATIONS and RESPONDENT'S license(s) shall be placed in INACTIVE status.

Should RESPONDENT decide in the future to reactivate his/her license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, RESPONDENT SHALL be required to petition the Board for reactivation of the license and satisfy all then existing requirements for reactivation. Further, RESPONDENT'S reactivated license(s) SHALL BE subject to, at a minimum, the remedial education courses, work restrictions, supervised practice, and employer reporting which would have been requirements of this Order had RESPONDENT not chosen to inactivate his/her nursing license(s).

Until such time that RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas is/are reactivated, RESPONDENT SHALL NOT use a Privilege to Practice Nursing in the State of Texas from any Nurse License Compact member state.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

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	CHRISTINA ANN WADE, RESPONDENT	
Sworn to and subscribed before m	e this day of	
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	Notary Public in and for the State of	

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 29th day of July, 2020, by CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number AP120310, and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, and said Agreed Order is final.

Effective this 18th day of August, 2020.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board





In the Matter of Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064 issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE AGREED

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§ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Pediatric Nursing Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, 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) and 301.453, Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on December 5, 2013.

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 informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas and is currently Board authorized to practice as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Prescriptive Authority in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas, on December 14, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on March 12, 2002. Respondent completed a post-graduate Pediatric Nurse Practitioner program at the University of Texas Medial Branch, Galveston, Texas, on April 22, 2011. Respondent was recognized as a Pediatric Nursing Practitioner in the State of Texas on May 25, 2011, and was granted Prescriptive Authority in the State of Texas on May 25, 2011.

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Executive Director of the Board

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5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

03/02-2006	RN	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Houston, Texas	
2006-2007	RN	Medical Center of Plano Plano, Texas	
2007-2008	RN	Piedmont Medical Center Rock Hill, South Carolina	
2008-2011	RN	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital Houston, Texas	
2010-2011	Pediatric Clinical R	Pediatric Clinical Rotations	
05/11-05/12	PNP	Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston, Houston, Texas	
05/12-06/12	PNP	Ramsey Pediatric Center Cypress, Texas	
07/12-05/13	Unknown		
06/13-09/13	PNP	Munoz Pediatrics, PA Humble, Texas	
10/13-Present	Unknown		

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner with Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston, Houston, Texas, and had been in this position for approximately nine (9) months.
- 7. On or about February 27, 2012, and April 12, 2012, while employed as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Pediatric Healthcare of Northwest Houston, Houston, Texas, Respondent failed to document an assessment and diagnosis in the patient's medical records to warrant a prescription for Tussionex. The patient was the Respondent's child. Respondent's conduct resulted in an inaccurate, incomplete medical record and was likely to injure the patient in that subsequent care givers would not have accurate and complete information on which to base their care decisions.
- 8. On or about May 15, 2012, while employed as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Ramsey Pediatric Center, Cypress, Texas, Respondent submitted an unauthorized telephonically communicated prescription for her husband to CVS Pharmacy, Cypress, Texas, for

Tussionex, a narcotic cough medication, using the name and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) number assigned to Dr. Karla Ramsey. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy.

- On or about August 19, 2013, through September 9, 2013, while employed as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner with Munoz Pediatrics, P.A. d/b/a Wee Kare Pediatrics, Humble, Texas, Respondent submitted unauthorized fraudulent prescriptions for Brandi Williams, Nathan Wade, herself, and Wee Kare Pediatrics Office for Ambien, Vicoprofin, Hydrocodone, Zolpidem, Norco, and Lortab, to multiple pharmacies using the name and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) number belonging to Jesus Angelberto Munoz, MD. Respondent's conduct was likely to deceive the pharmacy.
- 10. On or about November 26, 2013, Respondent entered a plea of "Guilty" to POSSESSION OF HYDROCODONE PG 3<28 GRAMS-NCIC 5599-11 (a Class A Misdemeanor reduced from a 3rd Degree Felony offense committed on August 26, 2013) in the 248th District Court of Harris County, Texas, under Case No. 140621801010. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of guilt and she was placed on Deferred Adjunction for a period of two (2) years and ordered to pay court costs.
- 11. The Respondent's conduct described in the preceding Findings of Fact was reportable under the provisions of Sections 301.401-301.419, Texas Occupations Code.
- 12. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- 13. Respondent's conduct as described in the preceding Finding(s) of Fact resulted from or was significantly influenced by Respondent's substance use disorder.
- 14. Respondent's compliance with the terms of a Board approved peer assistance program should be sufficient to protect patients and the public.

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),(4),(6)(A),(6)(H),(10)(E),(11)(B)&(13).

- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, heretofore issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE, up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- The Board may, in its discretion, order a nurse to participate in a peer assistance program approved by the Board if the nurse would otherwise have been eligible for referral to peer assistance pursuant to Section 301.410, Texas Occupations Code.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Registered Nurse License Number 685064, previously issued to CHRISTINA ANN WADE, to practice nursing in Texas is/are hereby SUSPENDED and said suspension is ENFORCED until Respondent complies with Stipulation Numbers One (1) and Two (2):

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL apply to and be accepted into the TPAPN and complete the enrollment process, which SHALL include payment of a non-refundable participation fee in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) payable to TPAPN.
- (2) Upon acceptance into the TPAPN, RESPONDENT SHALL waive confidentiality and provide a copy of the executed TPAPN participation agreement to the Texas Board of Nursing.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of compliance with Stipulation Numbers One (1) and Two (2), the SUSPENSION will be stayed, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply with the following conditions for such a time as is required for RESPONDENT to successfully complete the TPAPN:

(3) RESPONDENT SHALL comply with all requirements of the TPAPN participation agreement during its term and SHALL keep all applicable license(s) to practice nursing

in the State of Texas current.

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the TPAPN to notify the Texas Board of Nursing of any violation of the TPAPN participation agreement.

RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.

RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 et seq. and this Order.

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

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT fail to comply with this Order or the terms of the participation agreement with the TPAPN, such noncompliance will result in further disciplinary action including EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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RESPONDENTS CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to sighing this Agreed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. I acknowledge possessing a diagnosis that deems me eligible to participate in the Texas Peer Assistance Program for Nurses. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Stipulation Numbers One (1) through Four (4) of this Order to obtain disposition of the allegations through peer assistance and 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 revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 16 day of December 2013.
Christina ann Walt Respondent

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6 day of December, 20 13

DANIEL SAAVEDRA
Notary Public
STATE OF TEXAS
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Notary Public in and for the State of TEXES

Approved as to form and substance.

Taralynn Meckay, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 16 day of 18cember 2013

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, does hereby accept and enter the Agreed Order that was signed on the 16th day of December, 2013, by CHRISTINA ANN WADE, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Registered Nurse License Number 685064, and said Order is final.

Effective this 18th day of December, 2013.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board