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IN RE: CHRISTINE M. JOHNSON, R.N.)	
of Lewiston, Maine)	CONSENT AGREEMENT
License # R014977)	FOR WARNING

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Christine M. Johnson's license to practice registered professional nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(A-1)(1), § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105A(1A)(A). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Christine M. Johnson ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. An informal conference was held on April 10, 2002. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of information submitted by Marshwood Health Care Center, Lewiston, Maine in a fax dated September 17, 2001 and information submitted by State of Maine Department of Human Services, Bureau of Medical Services, Division of Licensing & Certification in Investigative Report No. 01-PNF-939 dated October 19, 2001.

FACTS

- 1. Christine M. Johnson has been a registered professional nurse licensed by the Board to practice in Maine since June 1969.
- 2. Christine M. Johnson admits that she diverted patients' discontinued drugs from Marshwood Health Care Center.
- 3. Christine M. Johnson used the discontinued drugs in lieu of drugs she had been prescribed by a doctor because of financial problems.
- 4. This matter was reported to the Lewiston Police Department and Ms. Johnson was summoned to appear in court where four misdemeanor charges of stealing drugs are pending trial.

AGREEMENT

5. Christine M. Johnson agrees and understands that her above described conduct constitutes grounds for discipline under Title 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(A), (2)(F) and (2)(H) and Chapter 4.1.A.1., 4.1.A.6., 4(3)(P) and 4(3)(Q) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The Board finds that the factual basis of the complaint is true



and is of sufficient gravity to issue Christine M. Johnson a WARNING pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(A-1)(A). Notwithstanding this action by the Board the Licensee is in agreement that the Board may take further action pursuant to 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(G) and 5 M.R.S.A. § 5301, et seq. pending the outcome of the criminal matter for the charges of stealing drugs or other related charge(s) under these facts.

- 6. Christine M. Johnson understands that this Consent Agreement imposes discipline regarding her license to practice professional nursing in the State of Maine. Ms. Johnson understands that she does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that she has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into this Consent Agreement.
- Christine M. Johnson affirms that she executes this Consent Agreement of her own free 7. will.
- Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all the parties. 8.
- This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be 9. enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
- This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature 10. below.

I, CHRISTINE M. JOHNSON, R.N., HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT ANY THREAT OR PROMISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 13 MAY 2002

Mistine m Johnson, R.N.

FOR THE MAINE STATE **BOARD OF NURSING**

DATED: _5/15/02

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