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Board of Nursing

BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Landon State Office Building, 900 S.W. Jackson, #1051 Topeka, Kansas 66612-1230

IN THE MATTER OF JO JEAN PATTERSON LICENSE NO. 13-061442-091

CASE NO. 97-0328-5

ORDER MODIFYING CONSENT AGREEMENT AND CONTINUANCE

Now on this 5th day of March, 2003, petitioner appears by disciplinary counsel, Alma A. Heckler, and respondent, Jo Jean Patterson, appears in person for a hearing on the Board's petition. The only issue raised by the Board in it's petition is whether respondent has complied with the terms of the Consent Agreement the respondent signed on 9/10/02.

Respondent admits she practiced nursing at Wesley while she had a limited nursing license and such license had been issued only for the purpose of respondent's enrollment in KNAP. The limitations on the license were set out in the Consent Agreement and therefore the respondent did violate the agreement by seeking and obtaining employment at Wesley Hospital in Wichita, Kansas. Respondent was to enroll in the Kansas Nurse Assistance Program (KNAP), but failed to complete the enrollment process started in November 2002. KNAP has requested that the respondent complete a new evaluation and cooperate with that process.

The Board requests that the Hearing Officer take judicial notice of the agency file in the above captioned case and the Consent Agreement of 9/10/02.

After due consideration, the Hearing Officer makes the following findings of fact:

- Respondent has committed technical violations of the Consent Agreement of 9/10/02
 when respondent accepted employment at Wesley and did not complete the KNAP
 enrollment process.
- 2. Respondent has agreed to the following:

 a. Complete the KNAP enrollment process and to remain compliant will any and all recommendation of KNAP;

b. Complete two (2) hours of Continuing Nurse Education (CNE) on the Nurse Practice Act and respondent shall submit proof of completion to the Board prior to June 25, 2003.

c. The Consent Agreement of 9/10/02 remains valid and in force and the two items listed above are an addition to and modification of the Consent Agreement of 9/10/02.

 Petitioner agrees to dismiss the Petition without prejudice at the June 25, 2003 status conference, if respondent remains compliant with KNAP and completes the CNE hours before that date.

4. The question of the assessment of costs in the amount of \$70.00 for this action is held until the status conference of June 25, 2003. Costs may be assessed at that time.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Terry E. Beck Hearing Officer

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to K.S.A. 77-531, I caused a copy of this order to be mailed, first class postage prepaid, this <u>12th</u> day of <u>March</u>, <u>2003</u>, to respondent Jo Jean Patterson at 5730 SE Boulevard, Derby, KS 67037.

Alma A. Heckler