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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

March 15, 2013

Karen L. McGill
57 Main Street
Swedesboro, NJ 08085

Dear Ms. McGill:

Pursuant to the Board's reconsideration of its November 28, 2012 decision to offer you a Consent Agreement for Reinstatement on Probation, this will confirm that the Board voted at its March 6-7, 2013 meeting to rescind said offer and reinstate your registered professional nursing license without conditions. It is our understanding that you are under a five-year contract with the NJ Recovery & Monitoring Program for Nurses.

Enclosed is your license renewal application. It is my understanding that you will be contacting the NJ Board of Nursing to determine whether you need an active, unencumbered Maine license to process your NJ application for licensure or can place Maine's on inactive status. As soon as we hear from you, we will update our database accordingly.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy nursing career~

Sincerely,

Myra A. Broadway, MD, MS, RN
Executive Director

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Enclosure

pc: John E. Richards, Asst. Attorney General



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IN RE: KAREN L. MCGILL, RN)
 of Auburn, NJ) **CONSENT AGREEMENT**
 License No. R058220) **FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER**
) **OF LICENSE**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement (“Agreement”) regarding Karen L. McGill’s license to practice registered professional nursing (“RN License”) in the State of Maine. The parties to this Agreement are Karen L. McGill (“Ms. McGill” or “Licensee”), Maine State Board of Nursing (“Board”) and the Office of the Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties met in an informal conference on April 6, 2011 and enter into this Agreement pursuant to 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A (1-A) (C), 10 M.R.S. §§ 8003 (A-1) (4), 8003 (5) (B) and 10 M.R.S. § 8003 (5) (D). The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of: 1) a Board Complaint dated September 23, 2010, with a Provider Report from Hill House Assisted Living (“Hill House”) dated September 22, 2010; and 2) Ms. McGill’s response dated October 14, 2010, all of which are attached hereto, incorporated herein and marked as Exhibit A.

FACTS

1. Karen J. McGill has been licensed as a registered professional nurse in Maine since July 2010.
2. Karen J. McGill admitted in her October 14, 2010 response to the Board Complaint that she diverted Vicodin from Hill House for her own personal use and has an addiction to prescription opioid medication [Exhibit A].
3. Karen J. McGill states that she had been opioid dependent since multiple spinal surgical operations that occurred in August 2007. Before the diversion from Hill House, she had nine months of sobriety. She states that she is currently attending Narcotics Anonymous weekly and receives counseling from her church.

AGREEMENT

4. In lieu of a hearing before the Board, Karen L. McGill agrees to voluntarily surrender her RN license; the Maine State Board of Nursing will accept her offer to voluntarily surrender her Maine nursing license. Ms. McGill acknowledges that if this matter went to a hearing before the Board, it is more likely than not the above-stated facts and underlying investigative information would support the licensing violations in this Agreement.
5. Karen L. McGill understands that based upon the above-stated facts, this document imposes discipline regarding her RN license to practice in the State of Maine. The grounds for discipline for violations are under 32 M.R.S. § 2105-A(2)(A), (2)(B), (2)(F), (2)(H) and Chapter 4, sections 1(A)(1), 1(A)(2), 1(A)(6), 1(A)(8) and Chapter 4, sections 3(K), 3(P) and 3(Q) of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. Specifically, the violations are:
 - a. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (A). The practice of fraud and deceit in connection with service rendered within the scope of the license issued to Ms. McGill by diverting scheduled drugs. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.1)
 - b. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (B). Habitual substance abuse that has resulted or is foreseeably likely to result in Ms. McGill performing services in a manner that endangers the health or safety of patients. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.2)



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- c. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (F). Unprofessional Conduct. Ms. McGill engaged in unprofessional conduct because she violated a standard of professional behavior that has been established in the practice for which she is licensed. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.6.)
 - d. M.R.S. § 2105-A (2) (H). A violation of this chapter or a rule adopted by the Board. (See also Rule Chapter 4, Section 1.A.8.)
 - e. Rule Chapter 4, Section 3. Unprofessional Conduct: *Nursing behavior which fails to conform to legal standards of the nursing profession, and which could reflect adversely on the health and welfare of the public shall constitute unprofessional conduct and shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:*
 - 1) Section 3(K). Ms. McGill failed to accurately record the use of a resident's scheduled drugs.
 - 2) Section 3(P). Ms. McGill diverted drugs from a resident and healthcare provider.
 - 3) Section 3(Q). Ms. McGill possessed, obtained and administered prescription drugs to herself, except as directed by a person authorized by law to prescribe drugs.
6. Karen L. McGill understands and agrees that her license will remain on surrender status and subject to the terms of this Agreement indefinitely until and unless the Board, at her written request, votes to reinstate her license. She agrees and understands that if the Board reinstates her license, it will be for a probationary period.
 7. The State of Maine is a "Party state" that has adopted the Nurse Licensure Compact ("Compact"), which is set out in Chapter 11 of the Rules and Regulations of the Maine State Board of Nursing. The State of Maine is Ms. McGill's "Home state" of licensure and primary state of residence, which means that she has declared the State of Maine as her fixed permanent and principle home for legal purposes; her domicile. Other Party states in the Compact are referred to as "Remote states," which means Party states other than the Home state that have adopted the Compact. Ms. McGill understands this Agreement is subject to the Compact.
 8. Karen L. McGill understands that she does not have to execute this Agreement and has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into the Agreement.
 9. Karen L. McGill shall not work or volunteer in any capacity for a health care provider as defined by Title 24 M.R.S. § 2502 (2) or in any position holding herself out as a registered professional nurse or with the designation "RN," including in a veterinarian's office, while her nursing license is surrendered. In addition, Ms. McGill is not to seek employment where the handling or dispensing of drugs is part of the job responsibility.
 10. This Agreement is a public record within the meaning of 1 M.R.S. § 402 and will be available for inspection and copying by the public pursuant to 1 M.R.S. § 408.
 11. Modification of this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all Parties.
 12. This Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
 13. Karen L. McGill affirms that she executes this Agreement of her own free will.
 14. This Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

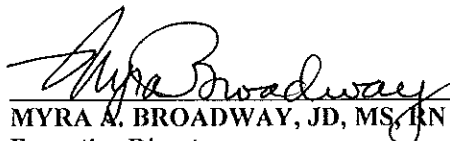
I, KAREN L. MCGILL, RN, HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, KNOWINGLY, AND INTELLIGENTLY AND AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THIS AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: 7/15/11


KAREN L. MCGILL, RN

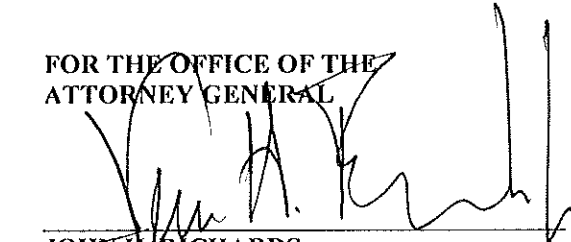
FOR THE MAINE STATE
BOARD OF NURSING

DATED: Aug. 22, 2011


MYRA A. BROADWAY, JD, MS, RN
Executive Director

FOR THE OFFICE OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL

DATED: 8/24/11


JOHN H. RICHARDS
Assistant Attorney General