BEFORE THE VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

CHASITY HUMPHRIES, L.P.N.

License Number:

0002-094051

Issue Date:

June 21, 2016

Expiration Date:

March 31, 2018

Case Number:

175625

NOTICE OF INFORMAL CONFERENCE AND STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

You are hereby notified that an Informal Conference has been scheduled before the Board of Nursing ("Board") regarding your license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

TYPE OF PROCEEDING:	This is an informal conference before a Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Board.
DATE AND TIME:	August 21, 2017 1:00 P.M.
PLACE:	Virginia Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center - 9960 Mayland Drive 2 nd Floor - Virginia Conference Center Henrico, Virginia 23233

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION:

- 1. This informal conference is being held pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-4019 and 54.1-2400(10). This proceeding will be convened as a public meeting pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3700.
- 2. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Committee is authorized to take any of the following actions:
 - Exonerate you;
 - Reprimand you;
 - Require you to pay a monetary penalty;
 - Place you on probation and/or under terms and conditions;
 - Refer the matter to the Board of Nursing for a formal administrative hearing; or .
 - Offer you a consent order for suspension or revocation of your license in lieu of a formal hearing.

ABSENCE OF RESPONDENT AND RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL:

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If you fail to appear at the informal conference, the Committee may proceed to hear this matter in your absence and may take any of the actions outlined above.

RESPONDENT'S LEGAL RIGHTS:

You have the right to the information on which the Committee will rely in making its decision, to be represented by counsel at this proceeding, to subpoena witnesses and/or documents, and to present relevant evidence on your behalf.

INFORMAL CONFERENCE MATERIALS:

Enclosed is a copy of the documents that will be distributed to the members of the Committee and will be considered by the Committee when discussing any allegations with you and when deliberating on your case. These documents are enclosed <u>only</u> with the notice sent by certified mail, which you may be required to claim at the post office. Please bring these documents with you to the informal conference.

FILING DEADLINES:

Deadline for filing materials: August 14, 2017. Submit 5 copies of all documents you want the Board to consider to Brenda Krohn, Board of Nursing, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233. Exhibits may not be sent by facsimile or e-mail.

REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE

Absent exigent circumstances, such as personal or family illness, a request for a continuance after August 14, 2017, will not be considered. If you obtain counsel, you should do so as soon as possible, as a motion for a continuance due to the unavailability of counsel will not be considered unless received by August 14, 2017.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

The Board alleges that:

- 1. At all times relevant hereto, Chasity Humphries, L.P.N., was licensed to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 2. Ms. Humphries violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5), (6), and (8) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) and (e) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that during the course of her employment with Golden Living Center, Clifton Forge, Virginia, on or about August 10, 2016, she diverted approximately 15 mg of Ativan (lorazepam, C-IV) for her personal and unauthorized use. Ms. Humphries accomplished the diversion by reporting to the resident's medication supplier that the resident's supply of Ativan had been exhausted after administering the resident's 0.5 mg dose at 8:05 a.m. However, Ms. Humphries documented on the Controlled Substance Accountability Sheet that there was 15 mg remaining in that bottle following this medication administration.
 - 3. During the course of her employment with Kendal at Lexington, Lexington, Virginia:
- a. Ms. Humphries violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(f) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing in that on or about January 8, 2017, she did not remove nitro patches or Lidoderm patches at the resident's hour of sleep, as ordered by the physician.
- b. Ms. Humphries violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2), (5), and (8) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) and (f) in that in or about January 2017, she documented administering medication under another nurse's profile, and she documented the administration of medications that were still in their sealed blister packs.
- c. Ms. Humphries violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(5) and (8) in that on or about December 11, 2016, she was observed sleeping on duty.

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- Ms. Humphries violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(2) and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(e) 4. of the Regulations in that on her November 1, 2016, application for employment with Kendal at Lexington, she failed to disclose that her employment at Golden Living Center was terminated in August 2016.
- Ms. Humphries violated Virginia Code § 54.1-3007(5) and (8) in that during the course 5. of her employment with the Brian Center, Fincastle, Virginia, on or about December 19, 2016, she was observed sleeping on duty.

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Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S.

Deputy Executive Director

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