

VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

SHEILA D. GODDARD, R.N.

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing and Sheila D. Goddard, R.N., with her consent as evidenced by her signature below, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Goddard's license to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Sheila D. Goddard, R.N., holds License No. 0001-057190 issued by the Virginia Board of Nursing. Said license was summarily suspended on January 31, 2006.
2. Ms. Goddard violated § 54.1-3007(2), (5), (6), and (8) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code"), and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(2)(c) and (e) of the Regulations of the Board of Nursing ("Regulations"), in that, during the course of her employment with Montgomery Regional Hospital, Blacksburg, Virginia ("MRH"), where she practiced under her professional nurse title, Ms. Goddard diverted patient medication for her personal and unauthorized use; practiced nursing while impaired due to drug use; falsified hospital and patient records; and tested positive for morphine. Specifically:
 - a. On or about November 4, 2005, Ms. Goddard withdrew one (1) morphine sulfate (Schedule II) 10mg/ml 1ml disposable syringe from the Accudose dispensing system at approximately 8:10 a.m. for Patient A. Patient A had an order for 4 to 6 mg of morphine sulfate every two (2) hours as needed. The Medication Administration Record ("MAR") indicates that Ms. Goddard administered 6mg of morphine sulfate to Patient A at 7:59 a.m. Accudose records indicate Ms. Goddard wasted 0.5ml of

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morphine sulfate, equaling 5mg, at 3:19 p.m. There is no record of Ms. Goddard having withdrawn any additional morphine from the Accudose system between 8:10 a.m. and 3:19 p.m. By her own admission, Ms. Goddard diverted and self-administered 2mg of the morphine that she documented as “wasted.” Ms. Goddard exhibited slurred speech, partially closed and red eyes, and was swaying. A urine drug screen administered later that afternoon returned positive results for morphine. As a result of her positive drug screen, Ms. Goddard was terminated on or about November 17, 2005.

b. MRH records indicate that from at least on or about June 6, 2005, to on or about November 4, 2005, Ms. Goddard would often withdraw more medication than was necessary, administer the medication, hold the remainder for later administration, and then document wasting the remaining medication hours after the initial withdrawal. This practice was atypical and indicative of diversion. Additionally, on multiple occasions, Ms. Goddard asked other nurses to witness her wasting narcotics without actually allowing them to see the medication she was purporting to waste.

3. Ms. Goddard violated § 54.1-3007(5), (6) and (8) of the Code, in that, during the course of her employment with MRH, on or about November 4, 2005, by her own admission, Ms. Goddard remained on the unit despite being told to return home following her submission to a drug screen based on the suspicion that she was impaired.

4. Ms. Goddard violated § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code, in that, by her own admission, on or about November 4, 2005, between midnight and 2:00 a.m., in an attempt to relieve her severe abdominal pain, Ms. Goddard self-medicated with Darvocet (propoxyphene, Schedule IV) and

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Lortab (hydrocodone, Schedule III) prescribed for her daughter. Ms. Goddard stated that her continuing pain caused her to divert morphine sulfate at work later that day. In addition, by her own admission, Ms. Goddard's physical ailments limit the sorts of nursing employment that she is capable of performing.

CONSENT

Sheila D. Goddard, R.N., by affixing her signature hereon, agrees to the following:

1. Ms. Goddard acknowledges that she has been specifically advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
2. Ms. Goddard acknowledges that she is fully aware that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 2.2-4000(A), et seq., of the Code;
3. Ms. Goddard acknowledges that she has the following rights among others: the right to a formal administrative hearing before the Board; to reasonable notice of said administrative proceeding; to representation by counsel; and the right to present witnesses and evidence on her behalf;
4. Ms. Goddard waives all such right to a formal administrative hearing;
5. Ms. Goddard admits to the above Findings of Fact;
6. Ms. Goddard consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her practice of professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Consent Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS that License No.

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0001-057190, issued to Sheila D. Goddard, R.N., be, and hereby is, INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED. At such time as Ms. Goddard shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to receive evidence satisfactory to the Board that she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of nursing.

This Order shall be applicable to Ms. Goddard's multistate licensure privileges, if any, to practice professional nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Upon entry of this Consent Order, the license of Sheila D. Goddard, R.N., will be recorded as suspended and no longer current. Consistent with the terms of this Consent Order, in the event that Ms. Goddard seeks reinstatement of her license, she shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of her license prior to issuance of her license to resume practice.

Pursuant to Sections 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, the signed original of this Consent Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying on request.

FOR THE BOARD



Judith E. Piersall, R.N., B.S.N.

President

ENTERED: March 21, 2006

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SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Sheila D. Goddard, R.N.
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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

COUNTY/CITY OF Montgomery, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Ashley Vaught, a Notary Public, this

23 day of February, 2006.

My commission expires the 28 day of February, 2008

Ashley Vaught
NOTARY PUBLIC